

TIMETABLE BY VENUE

- A NO 8 ROYAL INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS OF IRELAND**
10am–5pm RIAI Bookshop
12–5pm Meet the Craft Drink Makers
3–3.45pm Wine at Christmas: a talk with Liam Campbell of *The Irish Independent*
4–4.45pm Craft Drinks at Christmas with Caroline Hennessy of 8 Degrees Brewing
- B NO 22 COLLEGE OF ANAESTHETISTS OF IRELAND**
2–2.45pm Christmas Carol Singing Workshop with Robbie Blake
3–3.45pm Dublin's Christmas Past with Come Here To Me
4–5.30pm *Le Père Noël* screening, presented by The French Embassy
- C NO 45 IRISH ARCHITECTURAL ARCHIVE**
10am–5pm Christmas Craft, Gift & Food Market
1–4pm *Vinyl Love* with Nialler9
- D NO 58 O'CONNELL HOUSE – NOTRE DAME**
10am–4pm Pop-Up Café with Luncheonette
12–2.30pm Lunchtime Talks with Aoife Carrigy
- E NO 63 ROYAL SOCIETY OF ANTIQUARIES OF IRELAND**
10am–4pm Irish Designers Do Black Friday Pop-Up Shop
11.30am/1pm Fashion Tours with Ruth Griffin
- F NO 73 THE IRISH TRADITIONAL MUSIC ARCHIVE**
1.15–2pm The Voice Squad
- G NUMBER TWENTY NINE ESB GEORGIAN HOUSE MUSEUM**
11am–4pm Santa Claus
- H THE NATIONAL GALLERY OF IRELAND**
1.30pm Family Tour
3pm *Family Portraits* with Elizabeth Archbold
- I NATIONAL PRINT MUSEUM, BEGGARS BUSH**
11am–4pm (Sat & Sun) Winter Fair

OTHER VENUES OPEN ON THE DAY

- J NATIONAL MUSEUM OF IRELAND – NATURAL HISTORY GIFT SHOP**
L ART ON THE SQUARE, MERRION PARK RAILINGS
- K THE MERRION PANTRY, THE MERRION HOTEL, MERRION STREET**
M PROBUS WINES, CORNER OF FENIAN STREET AND DENZILLE LANE

11.30am and 1.30pm Join well-known Dublin based fashion historian Ruth Griffin and enjoy a walking tour which reveals the hidden story of why Merrion Square has such a special place in Dublin's fashion history. *Tours are free, places are limited. Book in advance at www.merrionsquare.ie*

E NO 63 ROYAL SOCIETY OF ANTIQUARIES OF IRELAND

NO 73: MUSIC ON THE SQUARE

1.15–2pm Lunchtime Concert: The Voice Squad – The Irish Traditional Music Archive is delighted to present a special lunchtime concert by The Voice Squad. Singing in rich harmony, the voices of Phil Callery, Fran McPhail and Gerry Cullen blend seamlessly, as they perform songs and carols from the Irish tradition. Entrance is free, places limited. Book in advance at www.merrionsquare.ie

F NO 73 IRISH TRADITIONAL MUSIC ARCHIVE

NUMBER TWENTY NINE: SANTA ON THE SQUARE

11am–4pm Santa will be making a stop at the atmospheric Georgian surroundings of Number Twenty Nine ESB Georgian House Museum before heading to the North Pole to get ready for Christmas. Number Twenty Nine is located on the corner of Merrion Square East at the junction of Fitzwilliam Street Lower and Mount Street Upper. *Entrance is free. No need to book, but places may be limited.*

G NUMBER TWENTY NINE ESB GEORGIAN HOUSE MUSEUM, FITZWILLIAM STREET LOWER

ALSO HAPPENING THIS WEEKEND ON THE SQUARE:

THE NATIONAL GALLERY OF IRELAND

1.30pm To celebrate Christmas on the Square, the National Gallery of Ireland invite you to a special Family Tour. Places are limited to 15 on a first-come, first served basis.

3pm Also taking place is the free Saturday Family Workshop entitled *Family Portraits* with Elizabeth Archbold. Places for this are allocated on a first-come, first served basis.

For further information, contact education@ngi.ie or 01 663 3505

H NATIONAL GALLERY OF IRELAND ENTRANCE VIA CLARE STREET

WINTER FAIR AT THE NATIONAL PRINT MUSEUM

Sat 28–Sun 29 Nov, 11am–4pm

The National Print Museum's Winter Fair returns for its fifth year. The mezzanine level of the Museum will transform into a winter wonderland with markets stalls selling all sorts of unique gifts. There will be plenty of Christmas-themed crafts for the little ones and a chance to print your own letterpress poster. Press cafe will be open serving mulled wine and festive treats. Free Admission. www.nationalprintmuseum.ie

I NATIONAL PRINT MUSEUM, BEGGARS BUSH



CHRISTMAS ON THE SQUARE returns for the fourth time to the heart of Georgian Dublin. This free event brings you the best of Irish design, craft, culture, food and drink on **Saturday 28th of November**. Take a peek inside some of the Georgian houses of Merrion Square, where themes of Christmas will be explored and celebrated. Pick up a gift for a friend from an Irish craftsperson and let Daintree show you how to wrap it beautifully and sustainably. Find out about Merrion Square's fashion history after you've picked up some artisanal Irish food treats. Learn the history of an ancient Christmas Carol or find out the story of Dublin's Christmas past. Whatever your traditions for Christmas, you'll find something to explore at this year's Christmas on the Square.

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THE MERRION SQUARE INNOVATION NETWORK ENABLED BY  **Fáilte Ireland**
National Tourism Development Authority



Saturday 28 November 2015

Celebrate the start of Christmas with a free one-day event taking place in the houses of Merrion Square.



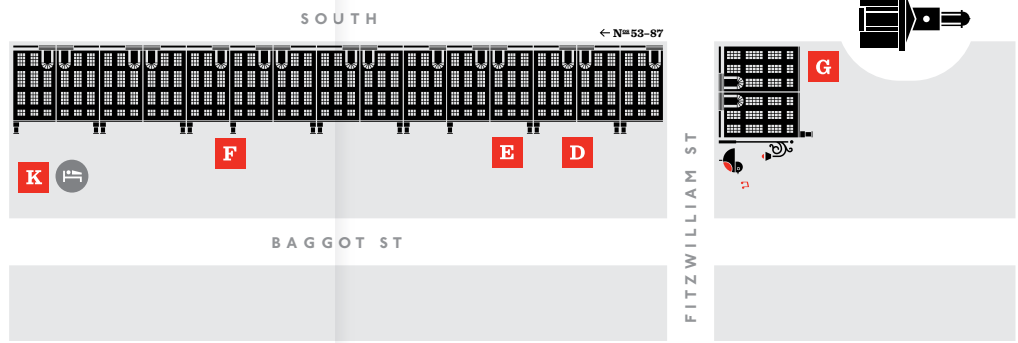
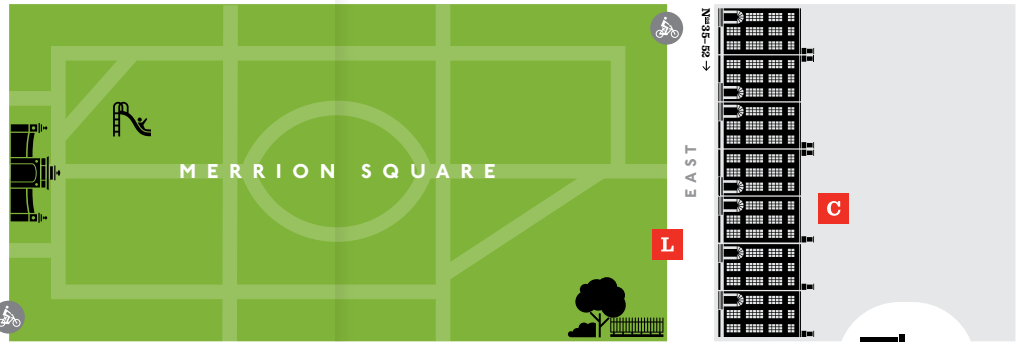
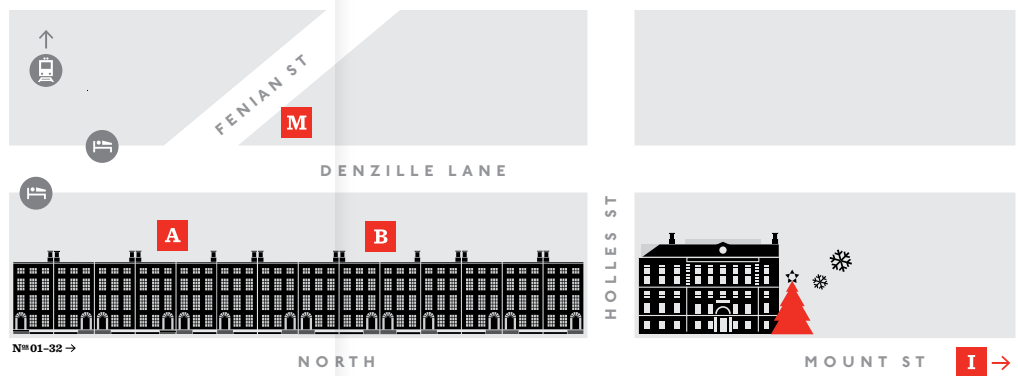
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CHRISTMAS ON THE SQUARE

The Merrion Square Innovation Network is delighted to throw open the doors of Merrion Square to invite the city to mark the start of Christmas on Saturday 28th of November with the fourth annual Christmas on the Square celebration. Enjoy a unique event where you can browse for inspiring gifts while enjoying Christmas music, listen to a lunchtime talk on Christmas food skills or relax with a coffee. Entrance is free to all events but as places are limited some must be booked in advance. For further information see:

www.merrionsquare.ie

KEY TO MAP

- DART
- LUAS
- HOTEL
- DUBLIN BIKES STATION
- CHRISTMAS ON THE SQUARE SHOPPING TRAIL / EVENTS
- FAMILY EVENTS

NO 8: CRAFT DRINKS ON THE SQUARE

12-5pm Meet the craft brewers behind some of your new favourite Christmas drinks, including 8 Degrees Brewing and L Mulligan Grocer, wine experts such as Probus Wines and Liam Campbell, and the brewer of Synerchi Kombucha in the home of the Royal Institute of the Architects of Ireland. They'll be on hand to help you find the perfect accompaniment for your Christmas dinner. While you're there, don't forget to pop in to the bookshop on the ground floor, too, open from 10am to 5pm.

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NO 22: CHRISTMAS CULTURAL EXCHANGE ON THE SQUARE

2-2.45pm Join choral director Robbie Blake in No 22 The Royal College of Anaesthetists for a workshop exploring the history and melodies of an ancient song for Christmas. Learn how to sing the song and pick up some vocal techniques while discovering more about the traditions of advent through song. Entrance is free, places limited. Book in advance at www.merrionsquare.ie

3-3.45pm Discover the hidden stories of Dublin's Christmas past with popular social historians Sam McGrath and Ciaran Murray, authors of *Come Here To Me*. Entrance is free, places limited. Book in advance at www.merrionsquare.ie

4-5.30pm Join The French Embassy as they present a screening of *Le Père Noël*, a French-Belgian 2014 comedy about a case of Christmas mistaken identity directed by Alexandre Coffree and starring Tahar Rahim and Victor Cabal.

B NO 22 COLLEGE OF ANAESTHETISTS OF IRELAND

NO 45: CRAFT & GIFTS ON THE SQUARE

10am-5pm The Irish Architectural Archive welcomes back makers for the craft, gift and food market, which will take over the ground and first floor of this beautiful building.

Shop for Irish designed and made Christmas presents taking in the views of Merrion Square Park. The Irish designers and makers taking part include Snow, Fawn, Elks and The Saturday Workshop. Discover the craft behind the gifts with demonstrations in textile, wrapping paper and letterpress printing by Fiadh Designs, Daintree Paper and the National Print Museum.

Enjoy a mix of Dublin and Irish artisanal food stalls in the Irish Architectural Archive, to find the perfect gift for the food lover in your life. Pick up some chocolate from Clonakilty Chocolate or select your Irish farmhouse cheeseboard for Christmas from Corleggy Cheese. Indulge in some mulled wine and treats from The Merrion Pantry.

1-4pm Also join music blogger Nialler9 as he hosts *Vinyl Love*, a celebration of vinyl and Christmas, in the midst of the craft and gift market.

C NO 45 IRISH ARCHITECTURAL ARCHIVE

NO 58: FOOD ON THE SQUARE

10am-4pm Once the residence of the liberator, Daniel O'Connell, No. 58 is now home to the University of Notre Dame in Ireland, which is ranked in the top 20 of the 8,000 3rd level institutions in the USA. This meticulously restored Georgian home houses impressive collections of Irish books and art.

Pop-Up Café and Lunchtime Talks

10am-4pm Join Jennie Moran as she brings the tasty treats of Luncheonette from its regular home at the National College of Art and Design to No 58 Merrion Square for one day only.

12-2.30pm Join food and wine writer Aoife Carrigy as she hosts a series of lunchtime talks to explore a selection of seasonal Irish cookbooks including Sheridan's *Cheesemongers Guide to Cheese*. Hear from the authors themselves on how they celebrate Christmas with food. Entrance is free, places limited. Tickets at www.merrionsquare.ie

2-2.30pm After the lunchtime talks, stick around for *Celtic Twilight*, a Christmas and Irish themed performance by Notre Dame Students. Entrance is free, places limited.

D NO 58 O'CONNELL HOUSE - NOTRE DAME

NO 63: FASHION ON THE SQUARE

10am-4pm A collection of Irish designers including Manley, Jill De Burca, We Are Islanders and Electronic Sheep will take over the Royal Society of Antiquaries of Ireland to celebrate Black Friday, offering Black Friday discounts on current season designs.

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HERBERT PLACE