

National Print Museum and Press

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Garrison Chapel,
Haddington Road, Dublin 4

The National Print Museum is the only museum of its kind in Ireland. Located in the old Garrison Chapel of Beggars Bush Barracks in Dublin 4, the Museum offers a special setting for events. Also located in the historical grounds is the Press café. Attached to the Museum and based within an attractive south-facing conservatory, the Press café serves high quality, interesting and carefully crafted fresh food and caters for bespoke events.

National Print Museum

The main collection is not behind glass or rope, but is instead an example of a working collection. The collection consists of fully-operational letterpress printing equipment, displayed and organised like a traditional 1960s print-shop. The panel of retired printers and compositors who founded the Museum continue to play a vital role in preserving the collection and the craft.



In recent times, there has been an international revival in letterpress as a craft form. Possible reasons for this resurgence of interest is the hand's involvement in design and craft, and the idea of going full circle – from craft to technology and back again.

The Museum's vision is to champion print and its impact on the world. It is committed to promoting a greater understanding of the historical significance and the contemporary relevance of printing in Ireland by exploring its heritage, craft and technology.

Beggars Bush Barracks was established in 1827 and the Garrison Chapel building dates to 1857. Although no longer a military base, the Barracks still has a number of its defensive features including the railings at the entrance, which are formed from canons supposedly stolen from royal navy ships. The historic setting makes this a very special venue for an event.



Bespoke Printing

With a working collection, the Museum can offer bespoke printing and add-on options include:

- Hand-printed letterpress invites for your event
- Specially designed keepsakes for your visitors to print at the event (bookmarks, posters etc.)
- Demonstrations of the collection by retired printers and compositors for your attendees

Press Café

Independently owned and managed, Press is open seven days a week providing tea, coffee, cold beverages, breakfast, lunch, weekend brunch and pastries. It also provides outside catering and hosts evening functions for various events, such as exhibition openings, retirement parties, corporate launches, Christmas parties, wedding meals, and children's birthday parties.

The café menu changes daily for variety, seasonality, and to meet the demands of the customers. Ingredients such as fruit, vegetables, meat, bread and coffee are carefully picked and locally sourced. Press creates a welcoming and enjoyable experience for customers. The combination of excellent food, service, décor, and ambience make for a creative and unique environment for any event.

Catering options

Canapés and wine reception

Canapés €10.00 per person
Capacity for standing reception in Press is 75 people
Capacity for standing reception in the Museum is 200 people

Sit down Dinner ranging from 3 to 5 courses

Prices from €30–€60 per person
Capacity for sit down meal is 50 people

Children's birthday party at the Museum followed by some finger food at Press

Press can provide finger food, drinks, desserts and celebration cakes.



Sample Menus



Sample Canapés Menu

Sushi rolls served with traditional condiments

Cucumber-cup filled with smoked salmon and tzatziki

Parma ham, brie, basil and sundried tomato roll

Dates filled with blue cheese mousse

Fig topped with goats cheese, pistachio and maple syrup

Clonakilty black pudding and quail egg crostini

Chicken coronation vol-au-vent

Goats cheese, pesto and sundried tomato tartlets

Bakewell tarts

Chocolate and raspberry brownie bites

Lemon meringue pies

Wine, champagne, tea, coffee and softdrinks can also be provided.



Sample Dinner Menus

Mediterranean style

Amuse Risotto croquette with chorizo and smoked provolone cheese served with house made arrabiata ketchup

First course Seafood vin blanc garnished with truffle foam and spring onion

Second course Duck confit salad with stoned fruit, feta cheese, toasted hazelnuts, black olive tapenade, macerated strawberries, balsamic maple vinaigrette and baby leaves

Third course Parma ham wrapped monkfish with herb and citrus risotto, chilled mussels and gazpacho emulsion

Dessert Passion fruit and mango panna cotta with biscotti crumb and a mint infused raspberry coolie

Irish influence

Amuse Boxty potato cake with Irish smoked salmon, crème fraîche and pickled onion

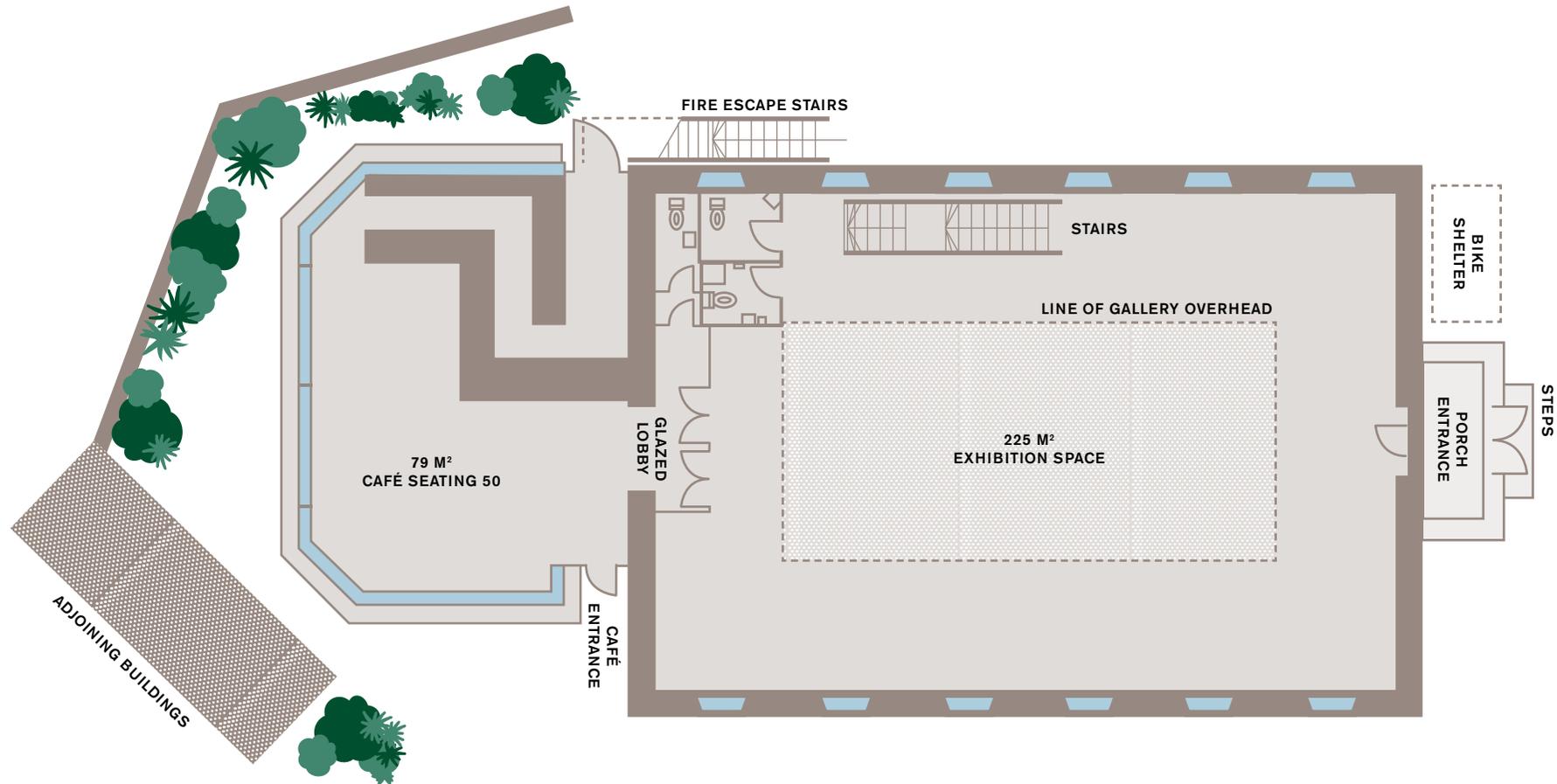
First course Classic leek, potato and Irish cheddar soup garnished with crispy leeks

Second course Clonakilty black pudding, golden beetroot, shaved apple, red radish, candied walnuts, five mile town goats cheese, mixed berry vinaigrette and baby leaves

Third course Braised Irish beef brisket, goose fat roasted potato, red cabbage and apple with a wild mushroom red wine jus

Dessert Raspberry and apple crumble tart with Chantilly whipped cream and a mint infused caramel sauce

The Space



The Garrison Chapel's ground floor can accommodate up to 200 people standing. This is ideal for events such as reception, launch or networking event. Visitors can often experience temporary exhibitions on the mezzanine level. Press café can extend the standing capacity to 75 people and can seat 50 people for a lecture or an intimate dinner.

Examples of events that can be held at the National Print Museum and Press



Reception

Networking Event

Book Launch

Product Launch

Brunch & Demonstration Tour
before a match at Aviva Stadium

Private Party or Dinner Party

Interactive Guided Tours for your guests

Corporate Letterpress Workshop for your team

Family Fun Days for your team and their families

Corporate Friends Scheme (venue hire discounts
applicable for Friends of the Museum)

Venue Hire Fees

Evening Event, Midweek

17:00 until 21:00, €400
€150 per hour thereafter

With a focus on public access, the Museum prefers to limit closure to the public.

Evening Event, Thursday–Sunday

17:00 until 21:00, €500
€180 per hour thereafter

To secure your date, 50% of the payment will be required at the booking stage.

Saturday Morning Event

09:00 until 13:00, €500

With ample notice, the Museum can be hired for full days.

Daytime Event, Midweek

09:00 until 17:00, €1,000
€150 per hour thereafter

The Museum can offer a screen, projector and lectern at no additional cost. Sound systems can be organised locally with Session Hire. Wifi is available.

Daytime Event, Thursday–Sunday

09:00 until 17:00, €1,500
€180 per hour thereafter

If you need to arrange accommodation we can help you there too.

The Museum has a Venue Hire Policy in place and all hirers must produce evidence of full public liability insurance.



Bespoke Printing fees

Hand-printed letterpress invites for your event, from €300 (excluding materials)

Specially designed keepsakes for your visitors to print at the event (bookmarks, posters etc.), from €150 (excluding materials)

Demonstrations of the collection by retired printers and typesetters for your attendees, from €50 per machine per hour

Tailored interactive guided tours, €50 per guide

Access

The Museum is easily accessible by DART (Grand Canal Dock 5 minute walk), Dublin Bus 4, 7 and Aircoach, and it is only a 20 minute walk from Merrion Square.

Limited free parking can be available for evening or weekend events. Paid parking is available on Haddington Road.

Events take place on the ground floor, which is accessible to wheelchair users.

Why choose us?

“The National Print Museum is a fantastic venue offering little treasures at each turn and wonderful staff prepared to assist and advise along the way. As Campaign Manager with responsibility for events it was important to have a venue that reflected the true meaning of the topic being discussed and we found this in abundance. Our Youth for Michael D event will remain one of our favourites from the point of view of venue and atmosphere.”

**Mags Murphy, Campaign Manager, Operations and Events,
Campaign to Re-elect Michael D Higgins November 2018**

“We have been using the space for years and always find the staff exceptionally helpful, friendly and professional. They are very accommodating to our various needs and the machine demonstrations are a joy to be a part of. We have also taken up several of the training courses on site and they are both informative and enjoyable. Having exquisite catering facilities on hand is another bonus as is the beautiful surroundings and the atmosphere of the building itself. Finally the feedback that we get from attendees is always very positive and many come back every year. I have absolutely no hesitation in recommending the museum as a venue.”

**Diane Dignam, Network Manager
Design, Print and Packaging Forum**



Unique venue

Historic setting

Possible connections of your event theme to the collection

Hands-on printing experience for your guests

Bespoke printing services

Demonstrations of the collection

Central location

Possibility of your guests printing their own keepsake

Renowned catering services of Press

Support the Museum (we are a registered charity)

All events are different and we are happy to work with you to meet your requirements and make your event special. Please contact us today to discuss your event.

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