

4 - 7 June 2026
Waterford
and Lismore

Mind and Matter ROBERT BOYLE SUMMER SCHOOL



Programme

The programme may be subject to change

4 June **Waterford City - City Hall**
Thursday **Opening Night Event**
7:00 pm **Our Fascination with True Crime and Serial Killers**
Dr Lorraine Bowman-Grieve and Dr Jennifer O'Mahoney

5 June **Waterford City - City Hall**

Friday **Morning Session**

10:30 am **Welcome to the 14th Robert Boyle Summer School and
Introducing the theme, Eoin Gill**

11:30 am **Boyle's Theory of Mind with Dr Bill Eaton**

12:30 pm **Lunch Break (Lunch not provided)**

Afternoon Session

2:00 pm **Mind, Matter and Malfunction - What Epilepsy Reveals About
Consciousness, Neural Dynamics, and the Fragility of the Self with
Prof Mark Cunningham**

3:00 pm **Mind in Society: Joyce, Vygotsky, and Inner Speech with Prof Luke
Gibbons**

Evening Session

Waterford Treasures: Medieval Museum Vaults

6:00 pm **Poetry and the Mind: Waterford Arts Officer Margaret Organ with
poets Jackie Gorman and Clodagh Beresford Dunne**

6 June **Lismore Heritage Centre**

Saturday **Morning Session**

11:00 am **Future of the Mind in a World of Social Media and AI with Dr Emma
Farrell**

12:00 pm **The Legacy of Robert Boyle with Eoin Gill and Dr Sheila Donegan**

12:45 pm **Lunch Break (Lunch not provided)**

Afternoon Session

2:15 pm **The Ageing Mind with Prof Rose Anne Kenny**

3:15 pm **Panel Discussion with Prof Rose Anne Kenny, Dr Emma Farrell,
and others**

5:00 pm **Guided Tour - Lismore Castle Upper Gardens**
A guided tour of Ireland's best preserved Jacobean gardens

6:00 pm **Garden Party - Lismore Castle Gardens**

7 June **Waterford - Gallery of Art**

Sunday **Guided Tour**
12:00 pm

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