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Series 2 2010

**W B YEATS, SEAMUS HEANEY – AND THE IRELANDS
OF THEIR TIMES**

Dates: Tuesday, 8 June – Tuesday, 13 July 2010

Time: 10.00 am – 12 noon

Venue: Frank Nichol Room, Knox College, Arden Street, Opoho

Enrolments for this course will be limited to 50

Course Fee: \$30.00

Tea and Coffee provided

Course Organiser: Mayford Dawson (467 2090)

Course Assistant: Helen Lloyd (455 5377)

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You may apply to enrol in more than one course in each series (subject to numbers). If you wish to do so, you must indicate your choice preference on the application form, and include payment of the appropriate fee(s).

All applications must be received by noon on Wednesday, 12 May 2010, and you may expect to receive a response to your application on or about 21 May.

Any questions about these courses after 21 May should be made to the Secretary, U3A Dunedin, telephone 471 9913 or on email at <graysinn@clear.net.nz>

Please keep this brochure as a reminder of venue, dates, and times.

W B YEATS, SEAMUS HEANEY – AND THE IRELANDS OF THEIR TIMES

This course will be presented by the Centre for Irish and Scottish Studies. It introduces participants to the history and two of the major poets of twentieth century Ireland – W B Yeats and Seamus Heaney. Of particular interest will be the relationships between life, art, politics and nationalism.

The Programme

8 June Out of Ireland have we come

The rise of 'new nationalism' in Ireland, the Gaelic Revival, the Home Rule crisis 1910-14 leading to the revolutionary years 1916-23, which saw the end of the Union with Great Britain and the painful birth of two Irish states.

Dr Rory Sweetman, Lecturer, Department of History

15 June We make out of the quarrel with ourselves Poetry 1

W B Yeats poetry, passion and politics in the early poetry
Professor Peter Kùch, Eamon Cleary Professor of Irish Studies

22 June We make out of the quarrel with ourselves Poetry 2

W B Yeats poetry, passion and politics in the middle and later poetry
Professor Peter Kùch

29 June Besieged within the siege, whispering morse

The uneasy years of the 'Orange State' of Northern Ireland leading to three decades of 'Troubles'

Dr Rory Sweetman

6 July Seamus Heaney and the North

The early poetry to Sweeney Astray
Professor Liam McIlvanney, Stuart Professor of Scottish Studies

13 July Seamus Heaney down South

The later poetry
Professor Liam McIlvanney