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CONFERENCE

12-13 MARCH 2016

GAELIC CAPITAL AND NORMAN STRONGHOLD

Ferns and the transformation of Ireland

Two-day symposium exploring Wexford's transformation from Gaelic kingdom to Norman lordship. Full day lectures on Saturday, conference dinner Saturday night, and field trips on Sunday. A unique opportunity to hear from some of Ireland's foremost historians and archaeologists, all in the very special setting of medieval Ferns, the Ancient Capital of Leinster.

Only 50 places available, so book yours now!

Conference fee €25 including lunch.

Conference Dinner (€25) and Day 2 fieldtrips (€15) may be booked separately.



Hosted by The Ferns Heritage Project supported
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Access to Ferns Castle and Visitor Centre kindly
facilitated by the Office of Public Works

SATURDAY 12TH

Ferns Castle Visitor Centre

9.30am – 5pm

Dr Edel Bhreathnach (*The Discovery Programme*)

'Two ambitious kings in Ferns: Diarmait mac Maíl na mBó (d. 1072) and Diarmait mac Murchada (d. 1171).'

Dr Ger Dowling (*The Discovery Programme*)

'Exploring the 'hidden' monastic landscapes of Ferns, Co. Wexford, and Kilmacduagh, Co. Galway.'

Prof Elizabeth Fitzpatrick (*University College Galway*)

'The Gaelic elite landscapes of Cnoc an Bhogha and Leac MhicEochadha, Co. Wexford.'

Dr Stephen Harrison (*University of Glasgow*)

'Anglo-Norman Settlement in the South-east – From Mottes to Manors.'

Dr Adrian Empey (*independent scholar*)

'William Marshal and the restructuring of the Lordship of Leinster.'

Dr Eamonn McEaney (*Waterford Museum of Treasures*)

'Museums without boundaries – making a future for our past.'

Conference Dinner 7pm
(optional)

SUNDAY 13TH

10am - Fieldtrips to Ferns and New Ross (optional)

FURTHER DETAILS AND BOOKINGS

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