## Cultural events spring/summer 2015

With the arrival of the cherry blossoms and the warmer weather, the Embassy is delighted to inform you of the following upcoming events happening around Spain this spring:

- <u>Chesús Yuste</u> will launch his new book titled "*Regreso a Innisfree y otros relatos irlandeses*" in the Librería Cervantes in Calle Pez 27, on Wednesday 6 May at 20.00. Everyone more than welcome to go along.
- Irish artist Mark Redden's exhibition titled "La Bestia Reinventada" will open on the 4 May and run to 6 September at the <u>Museu Maritím de Barcelona</u>.
- On each Tuesday during the month of May, the <u>Centro Cultural de Arte Contemporáneo</u> in Málaga will be showing the following Irish films (subtitled in Spanish) – His & Hers, Natural Grace, Snap and finally Eden.
- Málaga will also host an art exhibition titled A Stroll Through Ulysses by Irish artist Roger Cummiskey. It will open on 4 June and run to the 30 June. There will be a talk and a reception in honour of Bloomsday on Tuesday 16 June. For more information please see here
- By the makers of "The Secret of Kells", the Oscar-nominated animated film by Irish company Cartoon Saloon "La Canción del Mar" will premier in cinemas nationwide on the 8 May. It is a wonderful film which will delight children and adults alike. A must see! Take a few minutes to visit the SIBN's facebook page for a chance to win some free tickets.
- The <u>Punto y Raya Festival</u> on Abstract Art in Motion welcomes Irish artist Paul O'Donoghue to La Casa Encendida, Madrid, on Thursday 7 May. He will be giving a masterclass at 12.30 and will then be performing at 10pm that evening.
- As this year marks the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the birth of W.B.Yeats, The Yeats Society in Madrid has organised an art exhibition entitled "Of this place..." which involves a collection of thirty four pieces by eight contemporary Irish artists inspired by the poet's works. It will take place in the Ateneo, Madrid, from 2-15 June. During these days the Yeats Society, in conjunction with the Irish Embassy, will be inviting you to some events to celebrate our beloved poet through readings and music. More details on this to follow shortly.
- The Bloomsday Society in Madrid will be celebrating Bloomsday on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> June at the
  <u>Circulo Catalán</u> de Madrid, from 19.00-21.00. There will be readings and music to celebrate
  the occasion. Plans are also underway to celebrate Bloomsday in Barcelona this year. More
  details to follow shortly
- The 14<sup>th</sup> annual international AEDEI (Asociación Española de Estudios Irlandeses) conference will be taking place this year in Granada from 28 – 30 May. The title of this year's conference is "Minorities, Dissident and Mainstream Irish Identities" and more details on the full programme and line-up of speakers can be found here
- The 13<sup>th</sup> edition of <u>LOOP</u> Video Arts Festival in Barcelona will see participation from Irish artists Tom Chant on Saturday 6 June, Reial Cercle Artistic – Courtyard, at 21h. Willie Doherty's work will also be shown at the <u>Video-Régimen</u> exhibition
- The Madrid Harps are currently organising a Juvenile Gaelic Football league this autumn, for 8-14 year olds in 3 different groups, U10, U12 and U14. More information on this will be posted shortly on the Madrid Harps webpage and facebook page.