

## CALL FOR PAPERS

### 16<sup>th</sup> AUSTRALASIAN IRISH STUDIES (formerly IRISH AUSTRALIAN) CONFERENCE

MASSEY UNIVERSITY, WELLINGTON, NEW ZEALAND  
Thursday 9 July – Sunday 12 July 2009

#### *Ireland and the Irish Antipodes: One World or Worlds Apart?*

Offers of papers are invited on any topic relating to Ireland and the Irish abroad, but topics relating to the Irish experiences in Australia and New Zealand, comparative studies, and homeland events or contexts will be especially welcome. The conference will be interdisciplinary, with contributions anticipated from such areas as: history, migration studies, sociology, politics, literature, the arts, gender, geography and economics.

The scope is deliberately wide, but specific topics that could be addressed include:

- The Celtic Revival
- Whither the Celtic Tiger?
- The Irish and international relations
- Irish contributions to colonial identity
- The Irish and indigenous peoples
- Gender in Ireland and the Diaspora
- The Irish Protestants
- The Irish in theatre and film
- Language and literature
- Irish family and community histories
- The Irish in museums
- Sources for studying the Irish
- The future of Irish Studies

Paper proposals (including abstracts) should be submitted by 30 January 2009 to the Conference Convenor: Dr Brad Patterson, Irish-Scottish Studies Programme, Victoria University of Wellington, PO Box 600, Wellington, New Zealand (Email: [brad.patterson@vuw.ac.nz](mailto:brad.patterson@vuw.ac.nz) ).

A website containing a programme and registration form, together with information on accommodation, will be set up early in 2009.

Organised under the auspices of the Irish Studies Association of Australia and New Zealand (ISAANZ), in association with Massey University's School of History, Philosophy and Classics, the conference will be hosted on the Massey University Wellington campus.