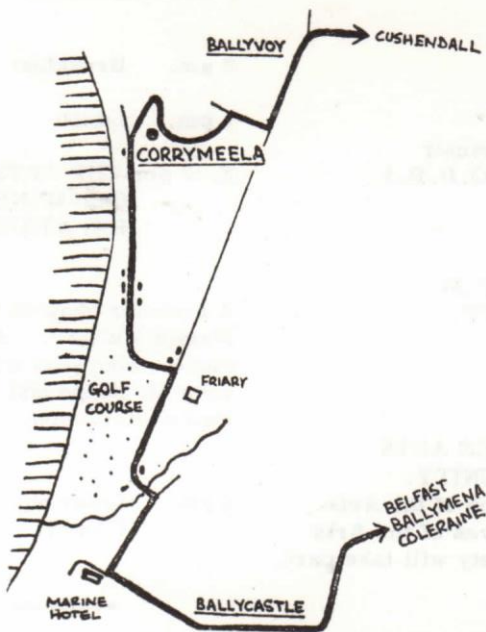


A CONFERENCE AT CORRYMEELA

19th-21st APRIL

HOW TO GET TO CORRYMEELA



CORRYMEELA - about one and a half miles outside Ballycastle, Co. Antrim - is situated on a magnificent hill-top site overlooking Rathlin Sound.

The building is attractively furnished with central heating and hot and cold water in each bedroom.

The aim of Corrymeela is to serve the Church and the whole community. Its concerns include reconciliation, lay training, industrial problems, and contemporary youth.

THE ARTS IN THE COMMUNITY

The life of our Northern Irish community, like that of any other community, is made up of many facets. Among these is the group of activities - of uncertain bounds - collectively referred to as 'the Arts'.

To many the Arts are a pleasant source of entertainment and relaxation; to others they provide an outlet for personal skills and for self-expression. The purpose of this week-end conference is to look at the several aspects of the Arts in Northern Ireland. It will involve taking stock of the current state of the Arts, amateur and professional, in the community. It will look at the promotion and presentation of the arts and the prospects for the future. It will also consider the part which the varied arts can play in bridging the divisions - be they political, religious, social or geographical - in our community.

The cost of the conference will be £3 per person.

PROGRAMME

<u>Friday 19th April</u>	<u>Saturday 20th April</u>	<u>Sunday 21st. April</u>
7 pm. Registration	9.15 am Breakfast	9 am. Breakfast
8 pm. LITERATURE, EDUCATION and the COMMUNITY. Dr. Alan Price of (Dept. of Educ. Q.U.B.)	11 am. MUSIC IN THE COMMUNITY. Prof. Philip Cranmer (Prof. of Music Q.U.B.)	1 pm. Lunch
10 pm. Supper	1 pm. Lunch	2.30 pm. THE ARTS and COMMUNITY RELATIONS.
10.30 pm. EPILOGUE	4 pm. THE FOLK ARTS IN THE COMMUNITY. David Hammond	A seminar chaired by Martin Wallace. Among those taking part will be John M. Knipe and Patric Stevenson.
In addition to the talks set out in this programme, informal group discussion sessions will take place.	5.45 pm. Tea	4 pm. Conference Closes.
There will also be free time to enable those attending the conference to enjoy the natural beauty of the district.	7.30 pm. PRESENTING THE ARTS TO THE COMMUNITY. A discussion on the promotion of the Arts. It is hoped that representatives of the Arts Council and of Festival Society will take part.	*****
	10pm. Supper	
	10.30 pm. EPILOGUE	

BOOKING FORM

Please reserve places at this conference.

Name:
Address:

THE ARTS IN THE COMMUNITY
19th - 21st. April, 1968
at Corrymeela, Ballycastle

This form should be returned to:

'Arts Conference'
The Corrymeela Community

Belfast Telegraph 20.4.68

Mass media is blamed for bad effect on language

PRESSURES from the mass media are having a bad effect on language, Dr. Alan Price, of the department of education at Queen's University, said to-day.

He was addressing a conference on "The Arts in the Community," at the Corrymeela Centre, Ballycastle. His theme was "Literature, Education and the Community."

Said Dr. Price: "Language is the main medium of communication between people, so it is essential this medium should be as healthy and efficient as possible. If it isn't, human relationships will suffer, just as the human body will suffer if the circulation is tainted or impeded.

"Language is a living thing. It can be improved or it can be debilitated.

"Pressures in our society, mainly from the mass media, are debilitating language and having a bad effect, consequently, on the quality of our living—holding many of us down at a low level, preventing us from developing our full human potential."

Dr. Price said it was essential through education to understand the pressures, and to counteract them in schools and colleges and through civic or political action.

"This disinfecting process, this exposure to the bad, is best done not through prolonged analysis of the bad but by building up resistance to it through healthy nourishment," he said. "The best defence against the bad is a relish for the good."

He added that the study of literature was thus amply justified, as it kept the life blood of human communications clear and healthy and, for the individual, it increased reverence for life and helped him to understand himself and other people more adequately.

The conference concludes to-morrow.

Belfast Telegraph 17.4.68

A long look at the Arts

"THE ARTS in the Community" is the title of the conference which takes place at the Corrymeela Centre this week-end.

A pretty broad canvas has been chosen, for the conference plans to take stock of the current state of the arts in Ulster, both amateur and professional, to look at their promotion and presentation, prospects for the future, and the part they can play in bridging all kinds of divisions in the community.

But the panel of speakers—Dr. Alan Price of Queen's department of education; Professor Philip Cranmer, professor of music; David Hammond, folk musician; Martin Wallace, deputy editor of the "Belfast Telegraph"; artist Patric Stevenson; and from the world of drama, John M. Knipe—should be able to cover it thoroughly.

The arts in the community

A week-end conference on the Place of the Arts in the Community is to be held at Corrymeela Centre, Ballycastle, from April 19 to 21. Speakers will include Dr. Alan Price, Professor Philip Cranmer and David Hammond, who will discuss the place of literature, music and the folk arts respectively.

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