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Mayo Peace Park Garden of Remembrance



Dóibh siúd a cailleadh
FOR THE FALLEN

They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn
At the going down of the sun and in the morning
We will remember them.

Dedicated in memory of
all who served and died
in the cause of world peace

Officially opened by
The President of Ireland, Mary McAleese
on Tuesday the 7th of October 2008

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Cover image from Mayo Peace Park – Garden of Remembrance social media

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THE MAYO PEACE PARK, GARDEN OF REMEMBRANCE, CASTLEBAR

The Mayo Peace Park in the centre of Castlebar was officially opened by the President of Ireland, Mary McAleese on the 7th October 2008.

It was developed to remember a forgotten generation of brave, heroic local people from every town and village in the county of Mayo whose service and sacrifice had been forgotten. They had served with the Allied Forces of the British, American, Canadian, Australian, New Zealand and South African Forces.

The park commemorates all those who served and died in world wars and conflicts of the past century. Many of the brave men and women whose names are commemorated were immigrants living in these various countries when war broke out.

Many others were volunteers who joined the Allied Forces and had to leave their families and homes to serve, many never to return again.

The service and bravery of the soldiers who fought in wars in mainland Europe and other countries was only recognised for many years by the soldier's own family and friends. The park also honours the memory of all officers of *An Garda Síochána* and soldiers of the Irish Defence Forces who gave their lives in the service of Ireland. The Mayo Peace Park offers a tranquil oasis of peace and respect where families of the fallen may reflect on the lives and sacrifice of their loved ones.

The founder of the Mayo Peace Park, Michael Feeney, dedicated most of his life researching the names and details of all those who died. This task took him over thirty years to complete.

The names of the brave are inscribed on the black granite memorial stones, never to be forgotten.

Michael is also accredited with the historical books, Mayo Comrades of the Great War and Remembering Mayo's Fallen Heroes.

Resource: mayo-ireland.ie

Poem from the Mayo Peace Park

*In known and unknown graves they rest,
The young the bravest and the best
They too loved what life could give
And yet they died that we may live
Twice in a half hundred years
The price was paid with blood and tears
Let not their memory's lamp burn low
As generations come and go
Sing out their glorious requiem
Remember them, remember them.*



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BOOK OF THE WEEK

Remembering Mayo's Fallen Heroes by Michael Feeney



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This book honours and remembers the men who hailed from Co. Mayo who fought and died in the wars all over the world, from World War I, the Spanish Civil War, World War II, Korea, Vietnam and also those who passed away whilst on duties for the Irish Defence Forces. It also tells of those who fought and survived and gives a brief summary of what came of them after the wars.

Available from Reception or via our online bookstore
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To celebrate Heritage Week 2023, we are excited to launch our

PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION



WE INVITE YOU TO SUBMIT PHOTOS WHICH CAPTURE THE ESSENCE OF

"HERITAGE IN MAYO"

PRIZE

- Winner will receive a book hamper consisting of books of local interest, valued at over €70.
- The winning image will be posted on our social media channels, on our website, in the Mayo Heritage Newsletter and on display at Reception.
- Two runners up will also have their image displayed publicly.

RULES:

- 1 entry per person.
- Please specify if under 18 years.
- Your name and phone number to accompany your entry.
- Please include a brief description including location.
- Jpeg and portrait orientation with no filters or photoshop.
- If persons/children are pictured, please ensure permissions have been obtained.
- Winning photo will be used on social media and may be used for other promotional purposes.

HOW TO ENTER:
Send photos by email only to nmhmarketing2017@gmail.com
Closing date for receipt of entries is 8th Aug 2023.
Winner will be announced during Heritage Week (12th to 20th August 2023)



National Heritage Week
A Heritage Council programme



The North Mayo Heritage Centre

