

Bloomsday Brunch celebration at 12:30 hrs on Thursday 13th June 2019 in the Irish Embassy, 50 Rue Froissart, 1040 Brussels



James Joyce

James Joyce (1882-1941) was an Irish novelist, short story writer, a musician, poet, teacher and literary critic. He contributed to the modernist avant-garde movement and is regarded as one of the most influential and important authors of the 20th century

Bloomsday, actually **16th June 1904**, is the day on which James Joyce's major novel **Ulysses** is set. The action takes place all in one day in and around Dublin. The novel was first published in book form in 1922. It is a modern parallel of Homer's *Odyssey* and is loosely linked to the events of Odysseus's journey to home to Penelope after the Trojan War. The two main characters are Leopold Bloom (Ulysses) hence '**Bloomsday**' and his wife Molly Bloom (Penelope).

The book is famous for its use of the inner monologue known as the 'stream-of-consciousness' technique.

Ulysses is regarded as a major work of Modernism which encouraged a period of experimentation in the arts from the late 19th to the mid-20th century, particularly in the years following World War I.

Today events all over the world commemorate and celebrate the day and the brunch on **13th June 2019** hosted by the Irish Embassy and organised by the Femmes d'Europe, in aid of their charitable work, will be it's second celebration of Bloomsday in Brussels.

James Joyce came from a musical family, had a great knowledge of classical music and a good singing voice, his work is full of musical references and allusions. Our Brunch will feature baritone Páidí's Ó Dubháin settings of Joyce's chamber music poems, with Páidí's piano accompaniment. The Irish Theatre Group will also perform extracts from Joyce's works.

Join us for this enjoyable event, there will also be delicious food and drink !

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Marian D. Conneely & Fiona Joyce, Irish group