

# ***An Tobar: A Two-Day Workshop on Holy Wells & Sacred Springs***

**26 & 27 June, 2017, Waterford, Ireland**

Holy well sites and their traditions are a rising subject of scholarly inquiry internationally. The workshop will examine how they are understood through archaeology, anthropology, folklore, geography, history and related fields and consider new interdisciplinary directions for future research.

## **CALL FOR PAPERS**

Paper abstracts are invited from academics

& post-graduate students considering:

- ❖ saint cults and holy wells
- ❖ archaeological & hydrogeological characteristics of wells
- ❖ holy wells as therapeutic landscapes
- ❖ holy well pilgrimage & folk liturgies
- ❖ medical humanities & the folklore of healing wells

Organizers of holy well surveys and county-wide research in Ireland are invited to submit abstracts for poster sessions and/or presentations as a special component of the workshop.

Send abstracts (150 words maximum) & queries to:

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by 15 February, 2017

An afternoon field excursion to St Declan's holy well at Ardmore, Co. Waterford with a talk by Stiofán Ó Cadhla (University College Cork) will be followed by afternoon tea at the Cliff House Hotel.

**Registration €75 (€45 students)// Single-day €40 (€20 students)**

**\*excursion supplement for single-day registration €25 (€20 students)**

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