

Chris Mullin

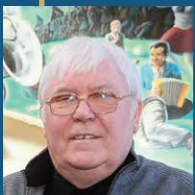
Author, journalist, campaigner and independent commentator. British Labour MP (23 years) for Sunderland South and three times government undersecretary. Wrote *Error of Judgement, the Truth about the Birmingham Bombings* in 1986, which helped secure their release. His other books include a trilogy of diaries about his time in Parliament and *A Very British Coup*.
www.chrismullinexmp.com

Alannah Hopkin

Novelist, journalist and tutor. Regular book reviewer for national newspapers and contributor to radio programmes. Has written guides to Ireland for Fodor's, Insight and Berlitz. Also a tutor on Poetry Ireland's Writers in Schools Scheme. Her novels include *A Joke Goes a Long Way in the Country* and *The Out-haul*.



www.alannahhopkin.com



Dave Hopper

General Secretary of the Durham Miners' Association. Organiser of the annual Durham Gala, which includes the march to Durham Racecourse, the Big Meeting and the blessing of banners every July.

www.durhamminers.org

Luke Dineen

Luke is studying for his PhD on the history of the Labour movement in UCC. He has a major interest in labour and union history.



John Jefferies

Community activist with a keen interest in history. Native of Cork City, living in Cobh. John is a founding member of the Cork Mother Jones Committee and a long-term member of the Workers' Party.

Margaret O'Keeffe

Margaret's background is in community work. She completed a PhD in Sociology in University College Cork in 2006 and is a full time lecturer in Community Development in Cork Institute of Technology.



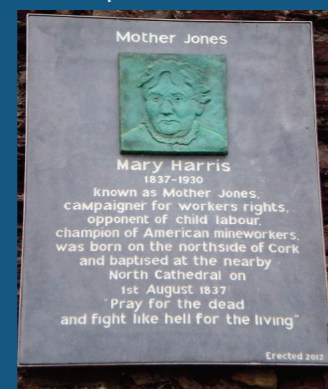
Frameworks Films

Independent Cork based film production company. Emphasis on community participation. Produced recent documentaries on *Tadhg Bary Remembered, Mother Jones and her Children*, their latest is *The Limerick Soviet*.

www.frameworksfilms.com

Mother Jones - Cork Rebel – a Rebirth!

Mary Harris was born in Cork city in July 1837 and was baptised at the North Cathedral on 1st August. After the Great Famine, the Harris family emigrated to Canada. Mary qualified as a teacher and a seamstress. She married a union man, George Jones, in 1861. She lost her husband and four young children in the 1867 yellow fever epidemic in Memphis.



Mary then became a labour and union activist from the 1890s onwards. She became one of the toughest organisers for the United Mine Workers of America. She also organised the March of the Mill Children in 1903 to highlight the exploitation of young children in mines and factories. Then known as Mother Jones, she attended the first meeting of the IWW in 1905 and knew James Connolly.

Best known as a hellraiser for her fiery speeches against the exploitation of miners, she was described as "the most dangerous woman in America". Mary's exploits in the mining wars of West Virginia and Colorado, where she was regularly imprisoned, made her a feared and admired figure.

Her cry of "Pray for the dead and fight like hell for the living" still reverberates through history! Her autobiography was published in 1925. She died in 1930 and is buried at Mount Olive Union cemetery in Illinois, where a museum will be erected to her memory by June 2015. Her spirit is alive and well wherever in the world there is a fight for justice. The Cork City Council recognises August 1st as "Mother Jones Day". Mother Jones was inducted into the Irish American Hall of Fame in 2014. A museum is planned for Mount Olive.

A plaque to commemorate the 175th anniversary of her birth was erected in 2012 in Shandon. This festival celebrates the rebel Spirit of Mother Jones in the streets of her childhood.



The Spirit of Mother Jones Festival.
www.motherjonescork.com
Tel: 086 3196063 086 1651356 087 6654106.

azprinters@eircom.net 021 4500006

THE SPIRIT OF MOTHER JONES ANNUAL FESTIVAL 2015

SHANDON CORK

Wednesday 29th July to Saturday 1st August 2015

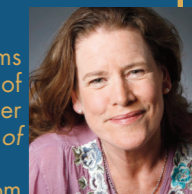
A festival and summer school dedicated to the memory of Mary Harris/Mother Jones and to inspirational people everywhere who fight for social justice

Cork Mother Jones Committee and Shandon Street Festival Full 2015 Festival Listings

TAKING PART

Kaiulani Lee

Kaiulani has over 35 years' experience in theatre, film and television. She performs "A Sense Of Wonder" based on the story of Rachel Carson. Kaiulani will appear in her second play, *Can't Scare Me... The Story of Mother Jones* at this year's festival.
www.kaiulanilee.com

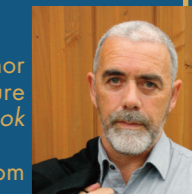


Fr. Peter McVerry

Peter is a Jesuit priest based in Ballymun, Dublin. Founded the Peter McVerry Trust in 1983. Active advocate on behalf of the homeless and the marginalised in society. Is warning of a major tsunami of homelessness in Ireland if political action is not taken.
www.pmvt.com

Theo Dorgan

Born in Cork, lives in Dublin. Poet, author and presenter of radio and TV literature programmes. Joint editor of *The Great Book of Ireland*. Member of Aosdana.
www.theodorgan.com

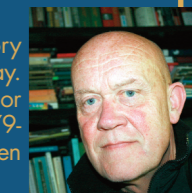


Dr. Ann Matthews

Lecturer, author and playwright. Has published *Renegades: Irish Republican Women, 1900-1922* and *Dissidents: Irish Republican Women 1922-1941*. Ann published *History of the Irish Citizen Army* in 2014. Her drama *Lockout* was staged at the Hollywood Los Angeles Fringe Theatre Festival in July 2014.

Dr. Leo Keohane

Born in West Cork. Lecturer in Cultural Theory at the Centre for Irish Studies at NUI Galway. Completed his PhD on Anarchism. The author of the biography of Capt. Jack White (1879-1946) the first Commandant of the Irish Citizen Army, Boer War hero and nonconformist.



Scott Millar

Scott is a journalist, author and a member of the SIPTU Communications Department. He writes for the union's newspaper *Liberty*. He has previously worked for several publications including *The Sunday Times*, *Irish Examiner* and *Village* magazine.

WEDNESDAY 29TH JULY

"I was born in the city of Cork"

AT THE FIRKIN CRANE

- 7.15 **L** Cork Mother Jones Lecture
Speakers: Dave Hopper, Kaiulani Lee
- 9.00 **M** The Mother Jones Gala Concert
with Richard T Cooke

AT THE MALDRON HOTEL

- 1pm **P** Inspirational Poetry Readings
- 2.30 **F** *"Mother Jones and her Children"*
by Frameworks Films
- 4.00 **F** *"Mother Jones America's Most Dangerous Woman"* a film by Rosemary Feurer
- 5.30 Festival Opening
- 10pm **M** Cork Singers' Club

All speakers and musicians are committed to attending the festival. The Cork Mother Jones Committee reserves the right to vary the schedule. Check on www.motherjonescork.com

- F** Film
- L** Lecture/talk/discussion
- M** Music
- P** Play

THURSDAY 30TH JULY

"The Miners' Angel"

AT THE FIRKIN CRANE

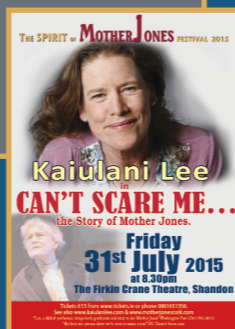
- 3.30 **L** Fr. Peter McVerry
"Homelessness – the failure of social policy"
- 7.15 **L** Chris Mullin
"Miscarriages of Justice – the Birmingham Six"

AT THE MALDRON HOTEL

- 11am **F** *The Battle for Orgreave* a film
by Yvette Vanson, www.yvettevanson.com
Presented by Dave Hopper, Gen. Sec.
Durham Miners' Association
- 1pm **M** Music at the Maldron
- 2pm **L** Alannah Hopkin
*From Lily Boole to E.L. Voynich, the making
of the author of The Gadfly*
- 10pm **M** Two Time Polka



Can't Scare Me... the Story of Mother Jones will be performed by Ms Kaiulani Lee at the Firkin Crane Theatre on Friday evening 31st July at 8.30pm. Tickets are €15 each. These are available from www.tickets.ie, the Maldron Hotel or phone 086 1651356.



FRIDAY 31ST JULY

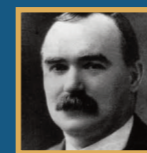
"I'm a hell-raiser"

AT THE FIRKIN CRANE

- 3.30 **L** Dr. Leo Keohane, Dr. Ann Matthews, Scott Millar and Theo Dorgan
"The Irish Citizen Army and the Road to the 1916 Rising"
- 8.30 **P** Ms. Kaiulani Lee
Can't Scare Me... The Story of Mother Jones

AT THE MALDRON HOTEL

- 11am **L** Luke Dineen *"First the Republic, then the Workers' Republic: the labour movement and the republican struggle in Cork 1919-1923"*
- 12.00 **L** John Jefferies
John Dowling – Cobh's forgotten Revolutionary
- 1pm **M** Jimmy Crowley
- 2pm **L** Margaret O'Keefe
"Water – A Human Right"
- 5.30. **F** *"The Limerick Soviet"*
introduced by Mike McNamara,
President of Limerick Council of Trade Unions
A collaborative film between the LCTU
and Frameworks Films
- 10pm **M** The Mother Jones Céilí Band



The 2015 Spirit of Mother Jones Award will be announced at the Festival.

SATURDAY 1ST AUGUST

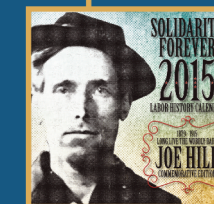
Mother Jones Day

BUTTER MARKET, SHANDON

- 4pm **M** Garden Party
- 7pm **M** Toast to Mother Jones with the Butter Exchange Band

AT THE MALDRON HOTEL

- 10.30am **L** Chris Mullin
"Tony Benn – an Appreciation"
- 2.30pm **F** *"A Sense of Wonder"*
Rachel Carson after *Silent Spring*
Q & A with Kaiulani Lee
- 9.00pm **M** *"The Man Who Never Died"*
The Joe Hill Commemoration concert
presented by John Nyhan & friends



The Cork Mother Jones Committee wish to thank SIPTU, Cork City Council, Association of Secondary Teachers of Ireland (ASTI), Cork South Paddy Mulcahy Branch ASTI, Carbery Branch ASTI, Frameworks Films, Cathedral Credit Union, Unite the Union, INTO, UNISON NI., Cllr Ted Tynan, Cllr Dr John Sheehan, Communist Party of Ireland, Shandon Bells, Cork Council of Trade Unions, the Firkin Crane, the Maldron Hotel, Mick Hannigan, the Butter Exchange Band. We acknowledge the support of Becky Bartovics. We are grateful to all the speakers, musicians, artists, actors and singers for participating and we ask that you support them. Special thanks to the Shandon Community and Aidan & Marzena in A-Z Printers.

Cover photo: from the Collection of George R.Rinhart

