

Conference Programme

It is anticipated that this event will offer a range of academic and creative responses to Sorley's cultural and political legacy with particular attention to his deep roots and referencing of island culture, history and experience.

DICIADAIN 15.06.11 WEDNESDAY

17:00 -18:30	Clàradh Registration	Àrainn Chaluim Chille, Sabhal Mòr Ostaig
18:00-19:30	Dinnear Buffet for full delegates	Àrainn Chaluim Chille, Sabhal Mòr Ostaig
19:30 -	Oidhche bhàrdachd is chiùil A celebration of music & poetry with Aonghas MacNeacail, Allan MacDonald, Meg Bateman, John Purser, Mary Ann Kennedy, Decker Forrest, Màiri Sine Chaimbeul, and Sgoil Chiùil na Gàidhealtachd. MC: Mark Wringe	An Talla Mòr, Sabhal Mòr Ostaig

DIARDAOIN 16.06.11 THURSDAY

09:00 -09:30	Clàradh Registration	Àrainn Chaluim Chille, Sabhal Mòr Ostaig
09:30-09:45	Fàilte Opening Welcome	Professor Boyd Robertson, Sabhal Mòr Ostaig Anne Gifford, Head of School of Creative & Cultural Industries, University of West Scotland
09:45-10:15	Bàrdachd Reading	Aonghas MacNeacail
10:15-11.00	Prìomh Òraid Plenary Lecture	Douglas Gifford, Emeritus Professor, University of Glasgow <i>'War and Renaissance in the work of the Three Great Scottish Poets: MacLean, Campbell Hay and Hamish Henderson'</i>

11:00-11:30	Srùbag Tea & Coffee	Àrainn Chaluim Chille, Sabhal Mòr Ostaig
11:30-13:00	Òraidean	Parallel Paper Sessions
<u>Buidheann 1 / Session 1</u>		<u>Buidheann 2 / Session 2</u>
Alan Titley, University College Cork	Emma Dymock, University of Edinburgh	
<i>'Somhairle MacGill-Eain and the Imagination of Excess'</i>	<i>'With you for Alba: The Sorley MacLean – Douglas Young Correspondence'</i>	
Iain S. MacPherson, University of Ulster	Ray Burnett, University of West Scotland	
<i>'Le Cimetière Marin de Paul Valery et Hallaig'</i>	<i>'Sorley MacLean and the Quest for Alba Aigeannach nan Saor'</i>	
Peter MacKay	Timothy Neat	
<i>'Temptation in the Woods: Coilltean Ratharsair'</i>	<i>'Sorley MacLean: and the Modern Panegyric'</i>	
13:00-14:00	Lòn Lunch	Àrainn Chaluim Chille, Sabhal Mòr Ostaig
14:00-15:00	Òraidean	Parallel Paper Sessions
<u>Buidheann 3 / Session 3</u>		<u>Buidheann 4 / Session 4</u>
Iona MacDonald, Fèisean nan Gaidheal	John Purser, Sabhal Mòr Ostaig	
<i>'Through the window: domestic notes from the MacLean household'</i>	<i>'Sorley and the music of the bards'</i>	
Cailean MacLean	Margaret Bennett, Royal Scottish Academy of Music and Drama	
<i>'A' beothachadh na cuimhne aosda: kindling ancient memory''</i>	<i>'Hallaig: planting the seeds and harvesting the music'</i>	
15:00-15:30	Srùbag Tea & Coffee	Àrainn Chaluim Chille, Sabhal Mòr Ostaig
15:30-16:15	Prìomh Òraid Plenary Lecture	Christopher Whyte, Poet and Author <i>'An Cuilithionn 1939: Choreography, Oreography and Political Responsibility'</i>
16:15-17:00	Cuimhneachan is Còmhradh Discussion Panel	Beatha Shomhairle Celebrating MacLean's life Chair: Jo MacDonald Panel: Alasdair Gunn, Katherine Koster,

		Màiri Sìne Chaimbeul, Alasdair MacDonald
17:00-18:00	Leabhraichean gan cur air bhog.	Book Launch
18:00-19:00	Dinnear Dinner	Àrainn Chaluim Chille, Sabhal Mòr Ostaig
19:30-21:00	Fìolm is òraid Film Screening & Talk	‘Somhairle MacGill-Eain: a Bhàrdachd agus a Shealladh’ the 1986 Gaelic version (sub-titled) of ‘Hallaig: the poetry and landscape of Sorley MacLean’, directed by Timothy Neat
21:00	Bàr fosgailte Bar	An Talla Mòr, Sabhal Mòr Ostaig

DIHAOINE 17.06.11 FRIDAY

09:00-09:30	Clàradh Registration	Àrainn Chaluim Chille, Sabhal Mòr Ostaig
09:30-10:30	Prìomh Òraid Plenary Lecture	Murdo MacDonald, Professor of History of Scottish Art, Duncan of Jordanstone College of Art and Design, University of Dundee <i>‘From Carmina Gadelica to Dain do Eimhir: the visual tradition’</i>
10:30-11:00	Srùbag Tea & Coffee	Àrainn Chaluim Chille, Sabhal Mòr Ostaig
11:00-12:30	Òraidean	Parallel Paper Sessions
<u>Buidheann 5 / Session 5</u>		<u>Buidheann 6 / Session 6</u>
Maìlios Caimbeul, Sabhal Mòr Ostaig <i>‘Mion-mhothachadh ann am bàrdachd Shomhairle MhicGill-Eain’</i>		J. Derrick McClure, University of Aberdeen <i>‘The difficulties and responsibilities of translating Sorley MacLean into Scots’</i>
Màiri Sìne Chaimbeul, Sabhal Mòr Ostaig <i>‘Songs of Lochalsh and Kintail’</i>		Norman Bissell, Director, Scottish Centre for Geopoetics <i>‘Nature, Socialist Politics and Love in the Poetry of Sorley MacLean’</i>
Hugh Cheape, Sabhal Mòr Ostaig <i>‘The poet as historian: the importance of</i>		Sandra Byrne, Sabhal Mòr Ostaig <i>‘A study of the internalized</i>

	<i>Sorley MacLean's historical research'</i>	<i>landscape of Skye in Dain do Eimhir with relationship to the external political landscape in Europe'</i>
12:30-13:30	Lòn Lunch	Àrainn Chaluim Chille, Sabhal Mòr Ostaig
13:30-14:15	Leabhraichean gan cur air bhog.	Book Launch
14:15-15:00	Prìomh Òraid Plenary Lecture	Máire Ní Annracháin, Professor of Modern Irish, School of Irish, Celtic Studies, Irish Folklore & Linguistics, University College Dublin <i>'Not only the honeysuckle: Recurrent images in the poetry of Sorley MacLean'</i>
15:00-15:30	Srùbag Tea & Coffee	Àrainn Chaluim Chille, Sabhal Mòr Ostaig
15:30-16:15	Cuimhneachan is Còmhradh Discussion Panel	Bàrdachd Shomhairle A celebration of MacLean's Literature: Poetry and Critical Prose Chair: Ronnie Renton Panel: Aonghas MacNeacail, Tessa Ransford, Douglas Gifford, Meg Bateman
16:15-16:30	Bàrdachd Readings	Jo MacDonald, Iain Urquhart, Cailean MacLean, Gilleasbuig Ferguson
16:30-17:00	Co-dhùnaidhean Summary, Close and Thanks	Professor Boyd Robertson, Sabhal Mòr Ostaig Anne Gifford, Head of School of Creative & Cultural Industries, University of West Scotland
17:00-18:30	Taisbeanadh Opening of Exhibition and Reception	Uinneag dhan Àird an Iar: Ath-lorg Ealain na Gàidhealtachd Window to the West: The Rediscovery of Highland Art
18:30-21:00	Dinnear Conference Dinner	Àrainn Chaluim Chille, Sabhal Mòr Ostaig Reading: Aonghas MacNeacail
21:00	Bàr fosgailte Bar	An Talla Mòr, Sabhal Mòr Ostaig

DISATHAIRNE 18.06.11 SATURDAY**Latha Ratharsair****Centenary Celebration Event on Raasay with Urras Dualchas Ratharsair**

09:15	Fàgail Sabhal Mòr	Depart Sabhal Mòr Ostaig
10:25	Fàgail Sgonnsair	Depart Sconser
10:50-11:30	Ruighinn Ratharsair Fàilte bho Urras Dualchas Ratharsair	Arrive Raasay Welcome from Raasay Heritage Trust
11:30-12:15	Òraid is Ceistean Lunchtime Lecture & Discussion	Professor Murray Pittock, University of Glasgow <i>'The Gàidhealtachd and Scottish identity then and now: questions and problems'</i>
12:15-13:15	Lòn, Ceòl is Bàrdachd nan Eilean Lunch, Raasay young musicians and island poetry readings	Talla Ratharsair
13:15-15:15	Cuairt air an eilean Guided tour with Rebecca MacKay, Urras Dualchas Ratharsair	Taigh Mòr Ratharsair – Òsgaig– Baile Meadhanach – Baile Chùirn – Am Bràighe – Glàm - Δ 207 S by Creachainn – Ceum nan Eilthireach – Inbhir Àrais –Talla Ratharsair
15:15-15:30	Fois Break	
15:30-16:30	Slàinte Shomhairle Toasting the Bàrd	Ceòl, Òran, Bàrdachd agus Eachdraidh Music, Song, Poetry & History
17:00	Fàgail Ratharsair	Depart Raasay
18:30	Ruighinn Sabhal Mòr Ostaig	