

# **Irish Walled Towns Day 2007**

## ***Sunday August 26th***

As part of National Heritage Week 2007 - Irish Walled Towns will be celebrated in 20 historic, walled towns throughout the island of Ireland on Sunday the 26th August 2007. Come out to hear the bells ring!! At 1pm bell-ringing will take place in 20 walled towns across the island starting off a day of fun and educational events for all the family.

Events Include - *Guides walks/tours of the historic town/city walls*  
*Battle Reenactments*  
*Medieval Craft Displays*  
*Medieval Music and Dance*  
*Craft Fairs*  
*Helicopter rides for a bird's-eye view of the walls*  
*(Athenry only)*

## **Irish Walled Towns Network (IWTN)**

### **Historic Walled Towns and Cities:**

#### ***National and Local Photographic Competition 2007***

**To celebrate Irish Walled Towns' Day 2007 - Sunday 26th August 2007, the Irish Walled Towns Network (IWTN), an initiative of the Heritage Council of Ireland established in April 2005, is pleased to announce the launch of the:**

#### ***'National and Local Historic Walled Towns and Cities Photographic Competition 2007'***

### **1. Participating Walled Towns and Cities**

The following Walled Towns and Cities will be participating in the national and local photography competition in 2007:

<i>Athenry</i>	<i>Athlone</i>	<i>Carlingford</i>
<i>Carrickfergus</i>	<i>Cashel</i>	<i>Clonmel</i>
<i>Cork</i>	<i>Derry</i>	<i>Drogheda</i>
<i>Dublin</i>	<i>Fethard</i>	<i>Galway</i>
<i>Kilkenny</i>	<i>Kilmallock</i>	<i>Limerick</i>
<i>New Ross</i>	<i>Trim</i>	<i>Waterford</i>
<i>Wexford</i>	<i>Youghal</i>	

## **2. Theme of Photographic Competition in 2007**

All Participants are invited to submit photo(s), on the following theme:

***“Stone Mad’: A photographic competition to capture what the historic Town-Walls mean to you!”***

The objective of the competition this year is to select photographs, which best capture this impression of Ireland’s unique and historic Walled Towns and Cities. Entries will be divided into two categories:

- Adults (18 and over)
- Children (under 18)

## **3. Local Competition Prizes – Adults and Children’s**

Prizes of €500 will be awarded in each of the participating Walled Towns to the winner of the Adult category with a prize of €200 for the Children’s winner. All entries must be in printed format – see rules below. The Local Authorities and the Heritage Council reserve the right to reproduce and exhibit without fee any image in connection with the event with due acknowledgement to the author.

## **4. National Competition and Prizes**

The winners of the local Walled Towns and Cities Competitions will then be entered into **“The Irish Walled Town and Cities National Photographic Competition 2007”** organised by the Irish Walled Town Network (IWTN) in conjunction with the local authorities and The Heritage Council of Ireland. The categories for the National Competition will be the same as the local competitions.

The winners of the National Competition will be announced at the **Irish Walled Towns Network Annual Dinner in Carrickfergus on the 15th November 2007.**

**A Laptop computer will be awarded to the overall National Winners – in the two categories of Adult and Children’s.**

## **Further Information**

For further information on the National and Local Competitions please visit the Heritage Council’s webpage of the Irish Walled Towns Network (IWTN):

**[http://www.heritagecouncil.ie/walled\\_towns/index.html](http://www.heritagecouncil.ie/walled_towns/index.html)**

**Or contact Alison Harvey, Network Co-ordinator at  
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### **National and Local Historic Walled Towns and Cities Photographic Competition 2007 – Rules**

1. Entries for the local competitions will close at 5pm on **Friday 21st September 2007**. Local Winners will be notified after **Friday 26th October 2007**.

2. Entries can be black or white or in colour.

a. Prints should be a minimum of 6 x 4 inches (15.24 x 10.16 centimetres), maximum 10 x 8 inches (25.4 x 20.32 centimetres) (N.B. Prints submitted less than 6 x 4 inches for the Adult category will be deemed invalid and returned); and

b. Prints should have the entrant's name and address written on the back of each print.

Digital images must be submitted in the necessary print format.

3. Judges appointed by the Local Authorities and the Heritage Council will choose the winners. The judges' decision will be final.

4. All Images must feature the historic Town Walls in the relevant town or city.

5. Up to 5 images may be entered by each entrant.

6. Competition age groups are as follows:

- Adult (over 18)
- Child (under 18)

7. All work must be original in concept and the copyright of such work must be at the disposal of the entrant.

8. The Heritage Council and the local authorities reserve the right to reproduce and exhibit without fee any image in connection with the event with due acknowledgement to the author.

9. All images are sent at the entrant's risk and the Heritage Council regrets that it cannot take any liability for any loss of, or damage accruing to any images entered in the competition (howsoever) nor for any loss damage resulting therein.

10. If you wish to have your work returned please enclose a stamped addressed envelope. The participating Local Authorities will return work as soon as possible after the closing date of the competition.

11. Entry to the competition confirms acceptance of these rules.

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