

# BAFFLE 2008

## Friday October 24th

8.00pm Loughrea Library:

Wine reception, followed by *Autumn Voices*:

Poetry from **Peggy Gallagher** and **Simon O Faoláin**.

*Admission free.*

## Saturday October 25th

11.00 am - 13.30pm. Loughrea Library.

Poetry Workshop with **James Harpur**. *€20 Numbers limited.*

**James Harpur** has been a tutor at the prestigious Arvon Foundation in the UK, been Visiting Writer at the universities of the West of England and Lancaster, been Poet in Residence at Exeter Cathedral and is currently running workshops at the Munster Literature Centre. In 1995 he won the British National Poetry Competition and has had a number of books published, including four poetry collections.

**Booking: Margaret at 086 3956921**

2.30pm **The Baffle Ramble**, begins at the Abbey and finishes at The Green Room in Teach Beag at 4pm approx, followed by *Stew, Stout and Stories* with **Rab Swannock Fulton**.

7.30pm O'Dea's Hotel, Registration for poetry competition.

*Theme: 'The First Time'* and assignment of venue for all participating poets.

9.00pm Heats of poetry competition in various pubs.

## Sunday October 26th

12 midday: Baffle Brunch at Slatefort House with M.C. **Margaret Hickey**.

Reading by **Rita Anne Higgins**.

*Admission €20 including transport from O'Dea's Hotel 11.45 am.*

8.00pm **Grande Finale**.

Music by **Tony Callinan** and reading by poet **Iggy Mc Govern**, followed by the final of the Poetry competition and selection of **The BAFFLE Bard**. M.C. **Declan O'Brien**

Adjudicators: **Iggy Mc Govern** and **Simon O Faoláin**.

The *'People's Choice'* prize will also be awarded. Admission: €10

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