For in far foreign fields from Dunkirk to Belgrade, Lie the soldiers and chiefs of the Irish Brigade

- THOMAS DAVIS

These lines evoke the fate of the Wild Geese, men who left Ireland to seek her freedom overseas. In fact there have been many Irish brigades, fighting around the world in different armies.

At home we have experienced war and peace, suppression and independence, conflict and calm.

This permanent exhibition, uses original artefacts, letters, replicas and interactives to show how soldiering and war have affected the lives of Irish people.

There are three main themes:

- Soldiering in Ireland
- Soldiering Abroad
- Soldiering in the 20th and 21st Centuries

These are explored through the eyes of the Irish soldier and from that of civilians caught up in war and conflict here in Ireland.

The British Army in Ireland

and how the presence of the British Army affected life in Ireland.



Entrance

1916 Proclamation Cumann na mBan badge

27 a

Exhibiting the Nation

Since opening in 2006 the Soldiers & Chiefs exhibition has been visited by over 2 million people.

Many have donated items to the museum and it is not possible to display all objects in the main exhibition. We have created this special exhibition space to display some of them here.

We are very grateful to the people who came forward with this material relating to their family history and we welcome enquiries about such donations.

27 b

Temporary Exhibition Gallery

Ask at reception for information on current exhibitions.

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Recovered Voices; Stories of the Irish at War, 1914–1915

Uncover the Irish experience of WWI through the stories of these men and women and their service on the Front lines.

Recruitment Poster, 1915



Recovered Voices Gallery



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To Reception, Shop, and Exit

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The Barracks Life Room

This room provides visitors with insights and opportunities to explore what life in the Barracks was like as a soldier in the 19th and 20th centuries.

There is a detailed reconstruction of how a barracks room would have looked in 1879 and 1943 and contains areas where visitors can try on costumes and handle objects, as well as exploring history using computer interactives.

27b



Defending the Peace

Explore the service of Irishmen and women on UN Peacekeeping missions.

UN Flakjacket



Barracks Life Room

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The Emergency and WWII

Discover how WWII affected life in Ireland, and how Irishmen and women served abroad in foreign armies.

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Irish Army

Nurse's veil

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The Irish Naval Service

Discover the Irish naval service through the 19th and 20th centuries.

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The Bantry Boat, 1796

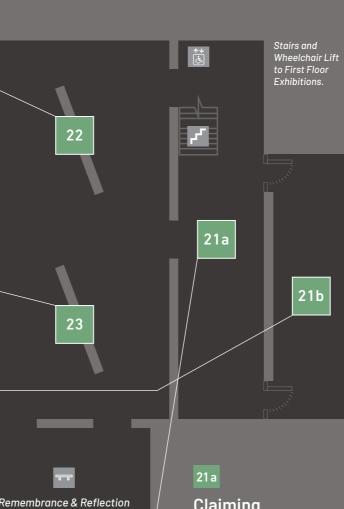
Stairs & Lift to First Floor Exhibition



Exit

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Ground Floorplan



Claiming the F<u>uture</u>

Explore the formation of the Irish Army in the new state.

Landswerk tank

General Information

FREE ADMISSION

NOTE: Map not to scale.

Access for Differently Abled All Museum galleries are completely wheelchair accessible and there are elevators located in each gallery wing.

Cloakroom

Cloakroom facilities are available at the main reception desk. There is no charge for this service.

Education and Outreach Programmes

Explore the Museum's collections through the Education and Outreach programmes, which include guided tours, workshops and demonstrations, 'Behind the Scenes' tours, lectures, handling sessions, activity sheets for children and families.

For information on what's on at the Museum check our Calendar of Events.

Temporary Exhibitions

For information on current and forthcoming temporary exhibitions, please ask staff at the reception desk.

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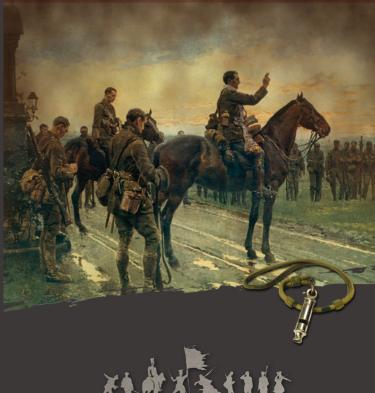
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An illustrated guidebook to the Soldiers and Chiefs exhibition is

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