Mapping Townscapes Seminar

Comparative Perspectives through the Irish and British Historic Town Atlases
Maps and town plans are vital sources in studying historic townscapes and are used to create historical maps that form such an important element of all historic town atlases. In collaboration with the British Historic Towns Atlas/Historic Towns Trust (HTT), the 2017 annual seminar of the Irish Historic Towns Atlas (IHTA) focuses especially on the historic and historical maps that form such an integral part of the atlases. Exploring Mapping Townscapes, the programme begins with an evening public lecture by Professor Roger J.P. Kain, a leading cartographic historian and author of thirteen books on maps including one most recently on British town maps: a history. Looking at both historic and historical urban mapping, in both Britain and Ireland, across five centuries, the Mapping Townscapes seminar will open up new comparative perspectives on the Irish and British historic town atlases, as well as offer new insights into the past, present and future cartographic connections between our two neighbouring islands.

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