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PROFESSOR OF IRISH STUDIES TO SPEAK ON WESTERN'S CAMPUS

St. Joseph, Mo. — March 17, 2004—The center for multicultural education at Missouri Western State College will host Dr. Eamonn Wall at 6:30 p.m. April 5 in the Leah Spratt Multipurpose Classroom Building, Kemper Recital Hall.

Dr. Wall will perform original poetry pieces and engage students in a discussion on Irish culture. There will be an opportunity for student open mic poetry following the performance and discussion. The event is free and open to the community.

Dr. Wall was born in Enniscorthy, County Wexford, Ireland. He holds a bachelor of arts from University College in Dublin, Ireland, and a master of arts from the University of Wisconsin in Milwaukee. Before entering his current position as the Jefferson Smurfit Professor of Irish Studies at the University of Missouri-St. Louis, he was an associate professor of English at Creighton University in Omaha, Neb., and served as director of the Creighton Irish Summer School.

Published poetry works include “Dyckman-200th Street” (1994), “Iron Mountain Road” (1997) and “The Crosses” (2000). He has also written several books of prose including his personal memoir, “From the Sen-e' Cafe' to the Black Hills” (2000).

For more information, contact the center for multicultural education at (816) 271-4150 or cme@mwsc.edu.

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