PÁDRAIG Ó TUAMA

Stories of Trouble and Peace

Telling the Truth about Power
Hunter Council Chamber, Victoria University of Wellington, Kelburn
Wednesday 18 March, 7:30–9pm

The Complicated Art of Reconciliation
Hunter Council Chamber, Victoria University of Wellington, Kelburn
Thursday 19 March, 7:30–9pm

Spirited Words: Grief, Protest, Hope
Readings and conversation about the pleasure and perils of crafting religious poetry today with acclaimed poets Pádraig Ó Tuama and John Dennison, together with Gregory O’Brien.
Adam Art Gallery, Victoria University of Wellington, Kelburn
Friday 20 March, 3–4:30pm

Pádraig Ó Tuama is an Irish poet, theologian, and conflict mediator whose work addresses issues of language, reconciliation and religion. He is the former leader of Corrymeela, Ireland’s oldest peace and reconciliation organisation. The author of numerous books, including In the Shelter, Sorry for Your Troubles, and Readings from the Book of Exile, he presents the #1 Apple Arts Chart podcast Poetry Unbound, from the On Being project.

Drawing on his experience at the front lines of reconciliation in Ireland and beyond, on poetry, and on his theological reflection, Pádraig Ó Tuama weaves stories of power and reconciliation to inspire creative new practices for life in an unsettled world. Pádraig is the St John’s Visiting Scholar for 2020.