



RETIRED MEN'S ASSOCIATION OF GREENWICH, Inc. (RMA)
invites you to its **August 26, 2015** meeting at
First Presbyterian Church, Lafayette Place, Greenwich, CT.

Marina Julia Neary

Irish History: Trilogy Dealing with the Events of 1916



Neary will tell the heroic and fateful story of armed insurrection that swept Ireland during the Easter Week 1916: **the Easter Rising**. Irish republicans mounted The Rising to end British rule in Ireland and establish an independent Irish Republic while the United Kingdom was heavily engaged in World War I. This was the most significant uprising in Ireland since the rebellion of 1798, and shaped the course of rebellion besetting England and Ireland for decades.

Neary is an award-winning historical essayist, multilingual arts & entertainment journalist, published poet, playwright, actress, dancer and choreographer. Specializing on the obscure works of Victor Hugo, she has lectured at the French Alliance. Her historical tragicomedy *Hugo in London* was produced in Greenwich in 2008. A sequel, *Lady with a Lamp: an Untold Story of Florence Nightingale*, premiered in 2009.

In 2007 she was commissioned to collect and publish the memoirs of residents from an affluent retirement community in Stamford, CT. The project involved interviewing over forty senior citizens over the age of ninety. A Connecticut-based leisure publication Norwalk Beat brought her on board as a steady contributor, focusing on the entertainment industry in Connecticut. Her poems have been accepted by literary journals such as *Alimentum* and *The Recorder and First Edition* (UK). After having her short story accepted by *Bewildering Stories Magazine*, she was invited to join the editorial staff.

Her first novel, *Wynfield's Kingdom* celebrates her love for Victorian history and the Romantic movement. In addition to her writing career, she has a career in the performing arts, including starring in several independent art and horror films shot in CT and NY.

RMA meetings are free and open to the public; no reservations are required. Please plan to arrive around 10:40AM for our social break (coffee and cake), followed by our speaker at 11:00M. Meetings are held at the First Presbyterian Church in Greenwich, with parking on-street or at public lot two houses north of the church on Lafayette Place. For additional information, contact: jim.fishbein1@verizon.net