

Curator of Contemporary Irish History (Assistant Keeper Grade II)

The **National Museum of Ireland (NMI)** is seeking applications from suitable candidates to fill the post of Curator of Contemporary Irish History (Assistant Keeper Grade II). This is a full-time, permanent position and will be filled by open competitive interviews.

Brief Description of position:

The post-holder will work within the Art and Industry Division (AID), one of four curatorial departments in the National Museum of Ireland. This division is responsible for the curation of the national collection of decorative arts, design, Irish social and cultural history, industrial and transport history, military history and Asian art, which totals over 530,000 artefacts. Art and Industry curators research, develop and share the collection with the public at Collins Barracks.

The post-holder will curate collections relating to the development and diversity of social, political and cultural life on the island of Ireland from 1920 to the present. This includes the Museum's contemporary Ireland and science and technology collections, and encompasses themes such as gender, human rights, politics, entertainment, conflict, religion, migration, international relations, disability and age.

The interrelationship between these collections and their histories with contemporary life and the future of Ireland will be an important focus of enquiry in the post. Working with colleagues, they will play a key role in the strategic development, research and exhibition of the collections, as well as contributing to collection engagement and digital access programmes.

They will also contribute to interdepartmental projects, support the divisions research services, and liaise with colleagues across the Museum to achieve its strategic goals.

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

Applications are submitted on the vacancies section of the **National Museum of Ireland website**: <https://www.museum.ie/en-IE/About/Careers/Vacancies>.

Applicants must submit the completed application form (Appendix 4), an up-to-date CV, and a cover letter. **We request that all three documents be combined and submitted in one single PDF.**

The application form must be completed in full and submitted in typescript. Handwritten applications and applications in the incorrect format type will not be accepted. Failure to do so will render the application incomplete, and the application will not be considered.

To commence the application process, visit our [Vacancies](#) page.

Steps to apply:

- Go to the Vacancies page and select the position you wish to apply for.
- Read the Information Booklet for full details of the position.
- The documents required for your application appear on this page as links.
- Click each document, which will open in a new window. Download/Save each document to your computer/device.
- Complete the documents required and combine them into **one single PDF** along with your CV and cover letter.
- When this is complete, return to the NMI website to finish the application process.
- Again, from the [Vacancies](#) page, find the position you wish to apply for.
- Click the **Apply Now** button.
- Complete the Form.
- Upload your single combined PDF.
- Complete the Captcha check and then click **Submit Your Application**.

Please provide a **valid, monitored email address**. The email address will be used to acknowledge receipt of the application and as the main form of contact to liaise with applicants.

Closing Date for Applications

**Applications must be received no later than
17:00 on Friday 18th July 2025**

Please note that late applications will not be accepted. The date and time will be strictly adhered to, and therefore, the onus is on the applicant to ensure that the application is received before the deadline.