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# JAMES JOYCE

## IN THE PARK

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### AN EXHIBITION OF RARE BOOKS IN FARMLEIGH HOUSE

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Books on display from the Benjamin Iveagh Collection, Farmleigh House courtesy of the Govenors and Guardians of Marsh's Library

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James Joyce (1882-1941) is one of the most influential writers of his era. His works have been the subject of worldwide scholarly scrutiny particularly the iconic work, *Ulysses* (1922). Although he spent the majority of his adult life abroad, Joyce's works are meticulously rooted in the topography of Dublin and in the Phoenix Park area in particular. In *Finnegans Wake*, *The Dead* and *The Painful Case*, the Phoenix Park and Chapelizod are central locations, whilst Joyce makes numerous allusions to Phoenix Park in *Ulysses*. He explained his preoccupation with Dublin when he said: "For myself, I always write about Dublin, because if I can get to the heart of Dublin I can get to the heart of all of the cities of the world. In the particular is contained the universal".

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