

The third Le Fanu festival will continue to celebrate the family's contribution to the literature, history and culture of Murroe, Limerick and the world beyond.

Previous festivals have concentrated on the gothic literature of Joseph Sheridan Le Fanu, and the engineering works of his brother William Richard Le Fanu.

Our 2024 festival will focus on the continuing legacy of the women of this celebrated family.

## ***The Le Fanu women: Music, the Arts and Politics***

### **Speakers:**

David McBurnie & Gráinne Keays; *Catherine Le Fanu-Victim of Circumstance?*  
Professor Jarlath Killeen; *Vamping it up: Le Fanu's Femme Fatales.*

Professor Nicola Le Fanu; *Le Fanu women who published, from the eighteenth century to the present day.*

### **Musical performances:**

Performance of one of J.S. Le Fanu's ballads by Janet Woods accompanied by Irina Dernova.

A musical lament at Abington graveyard by Nóirín Ní Riain.

Attendance to the Le Fanu Festival is free of charge, numbers however are limited. Booking is essential via Eventbrite, simply search 'Le Fanu Festival 2024', or use the QR code here:



Festival organisers: Gráinne Walshe, Julie Long, Miriam Lohan and John Elliott.

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Emma Lucretia Dobbin  
1787-1861. mother of  
Joseph Sheridan &  
William Richard Le Fanu



Nicola Le Fanu 1947 -  
Composer and academic, the  
great-great granddaughter of  
Emma Lucretia Dobbin



## **Le Fanu Festival 2024**

**Saturday 26th October  
11.00 to 15.00**

**Saint John & Saint Ailbe's  
church, Abington, Murroe,  
Co. Limerick. V94N230**