



## **Company Profile**

Launched in Belfast in 1971 with a book of political cartoons, Blackstaff Press is now regarded as one of Ireland's foremost publishers. Over 650 titles have been published, covering a wide range of subjects (mainly but not exclusively of Irish Interest) from history and politics to fiction, poetry and humour. The quality of the books has attracted numerous prizes and awards, and in 1992 Blackstaff achieved a notable double by being named UK Small Publisher of the Year by the Sunday Times and winner of an AIB Better Ireland Communication Award.

While the conflict in Northern Ireland has provided a grim backdrop to Blackstaff's work, its publishing programme has been widely praised for its integrity and liberal ethos. The company also provides an important platform for creative writers and artists, and its contribution to cultural life is recognised in the generous assistance it receives from the Arts Council of Northern Ireland. Blackstaff books are produced to the highest standards by a prize-winning team of editors and designers, and a professional in-house marketing staff ensures effective sales distribution throughout the world.

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