

**SETU Luke Wadding Library, Cork Road Campus, Waterford - Special and Unique Collections**  
**Revised edition of the Finding aid Template: 27th August 2024**

**Creator:** Yvonne McEwen

**Title:** O'Connell Bianconi Collection

**Language of materials:** English

**Collection summary:** The collection consists of over 324 physical books covering World War 1 and World War 2.

**Biographical note:** Dr Yvonne McEwen is a historian Professor of History at the University of Wolverhampton, War and Conflicts Studies. She is also the Official Historian of the British Army Nursing Service and the Project Director of the largest World War 1 public engagement project in the United Kingdom. She is a graduate of the University of Edinburgh with degrees in nursing and history. Her latest publication '*Beneath Troubled Skies: Poems of Scotland at War 1914 1919*' was launched November 2015. The book was produced in collaboration with the Scottish Poetry Library.

**Collection description:** The collections consists of over 324 physical books covering World War 1 and World War 2. Including Health Care, Nurses and Soldiers stories and reconstructive procedures in surgery.

**Status:** The collection has been catalogued and is available on the SETU Library Management System KOHA, the standard used is the MARC record format (**MA** chine-Readable Cataloguing record)

**Digitized copies:** Digital copies of collection material are not available online. For information about obtaining digital copies, please contact Kieran Cronin, Special Collections, Heritage & Outreach Librarian, SETU Luke Wadding Library, Cork Road Campus. Email: [kieran.cronin@setu.ie](mailto:kieran.cronin@setu.ie).

**Access restrictions:** Materials in the collection may be subject to privacy restrictions. Requests to use the material must be made in advance of a research visit, please contact Kieran Cronin, Special Collections, Heritage & Outreach Librarian, SETU Luke Wadding Library, Cork Road Campus. Email: [kieran.cronin@setu.ie](mailto:kieran.cronin@setu.ie).

**Related materials:** Yvonne McEwen Archive on her primary research papers. This related collection has not been catalogued.

**Custodial history:** The O'Connell Bianconi Collection was stored in Scotland in the home of Yvonne McEwen.

**Acquisition note:** The O'Connell Bianconi Collection was donated by Yvonne McEwen in May 2019. There is no formal Deposit/Donation agreement signed.

**Physical Location of the collection:** SETU Luke Wadding Library, Cork Road Campus, Basement level.

**Link to resources on KOHA Library Management System:** [https://libsearch.setu.ie/cgi-bin/koha/opac-search.pl?idx=se%2Cwrdl&q=O%27Connell+Bianconi+Archive+&sort\\_by=title\\_az](https://libsearch.setu.ie/cgi-bin/koha/opac-search.pl?idx=se%2Cwrdl&q=O%27Connell+Bianconi+Archive+&sort_by=title_az)