

# Women's History Association of Ireland 2015 Conference Schedule

## Maynooth University, Iontas Building, North Campus

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Friday 10<sup>th</sup> April 2015

Registration from 10.30am, Iontas Building Foyer

11.15am -11.35am Welcome address, Room 1.25-1.26

Jennifer Redmond, Maynooth University, President of the Women's History Association of Ireland

#### Parallel sessions A and B

11.40am -1.10pm Panel A Nursing and relief work during WW1, (Room 1.25-1.26, first floor, Iontas Building)

Chair: Jennifer Redmond

Sandra McAvoy, University College Cork, Twenty-Months in a War Zone: Cork feminist Susanne Day's accounts of relief-work in the Verdun region 1915-1917.

Trevor Parkhill, Independent scholar, "Their sister in both senses": the WW1 experience of Emma Duffin Belfast VAD nurse

Rachel Sayers, University of Leeds, For God and Ulster? The repression of the Ulster Volunteer Force Nursing and Medical Corps from Irish History

## 11.40am -1.10pm Panel B Local case studies, (English seminar room 1 ground floor, Iontas Building)

Chair: Conor Reidy

Maeve Mullin, Maynooth University, Glaslough Girls in World War I

Ailbhe Rogers, Kilmainham Gaol, Louth Women at Home and Abroad during The Great War 1914-18

Robert Whan, Queen's University Belfast, The Women of South Down and South Armagh in the Great War

### 1.10pm-2.10pm Lunch break, Iontas Building Foyer

### 2.10pm-4.10pm Parallel Panels C and D

## Panel C: Wives, families and welfare, (Room 1.25-1.26, first floor, Iontas Building)

Chair: Elaine Farrell, Queen's University Belfast

Fionnuala Walsh, Trinity College Dublin, 'A pig would not be treated worse than I am': attitudes towards 'separation women' in Ireland during the Great War

Kiara Gregory, Mary Immaculate College, Wives and Widows on the Home Front in Limerick 1914-1918

Paul Huddie, Independent scholar, The Soldiers' and Sailors' Families' Association, County Dublin Division, August–November 1914: a case study

Holly Dunbar, Southampton University, Women and Alcohol in Ireland During the First World War

Panel D: Women and the Public Sphere: Protest and Philanthropy, (English seminar room 1 ground floor, Iontas Building)

Chair: Sarah-Anne Buckley, NUI Galway

Tony Jordan, Independent scholar, 'Lieutenant' Maud Gonne during WW1

Mary McAuliffe, University College Dublin, Women and Revolution- Gender, politicisation and participation in the 1916 Rising

Bernadette O'Connell, NUI Galway, Another Kind of War: Irish Women and Philanthropy in Dublin, 1914-1918

### 4.10pm-4.30pm Refreshment break, Iontas Building Foyer

4.30-5.30pm – Keynote address: Dr. Sonja Tiernan, Liverpool Hope University, 'Courage, Conscience and Conscription: The female force of conscientious objection in World War One', (Room 1.25-1.26, first floor, lontas Building)

Chair: Jennifer Redmond, Maynooth University

### 5.30-6.30pm Book Launch, Iontas Building Foyer

Launch of *Sexual Politics in Modern Ireland*, edited by Jennifer Redmond, Sonja Tiernan, Sandra McAvoy and Mary McAuliffe, (Irish Academic Press, 2015). Launch by Dr. Mary Cullen, first president of the WHAI.

## Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> April

Registration open from 9.00am, Iontas Building Foyer

#### 9.45-11.15 Parallel Panels E and F

Panel E Houses and landed estates, (Room 1.25-1.26, first floor, Iontas Building)

Chair: Clare Gorman, University College Dublin

Emma Lyons, University College Dublin, Ladies of the Big House during World War I: A study of Lady Augusta Caroline Dillon and Leonie Leslie

Maeve O'Riordan, Maynooth University, 'How to help'? Munster women of the Irish landed class and the war effort

Catherine Thewissen, Université catholique de Louvain, Belgium, Narratives of Hospitality Representations of the Great War in Irish Women's Wartime Novels

## Panel F: Women War and Work, (English seminar room 1 ground floor, Iontas Building)

Chair: Gerri O'Neill, Mater Dei, Dublin City University

Jean M. Walker, Independent scholar Women and agriculture in Wartime Ireland

Michelle O'Sullivan, University College Cork, 'And when times were tough, we had just about enough'; the role of women in the munitions industry in southern Ireland during World War One.

Mary Muldowney, Independent scholar, 'Temporary men': Female trade union membership during the First World War

#### 11.15-11.35 Refreshment break, Iontas Building Foyer

**11.35-12.35 Keynote address:** Dr. Diane Urquhart, University of Liverpool, 'Unionism, Orangeism and war', (Room 1.25-1.26, first floor, Iontas Building)

Chair: Elaine Farrell, Queen's University Belfast

## 12.35-1.45 Lunch, Iontas Building Foyer and WHAI AGM (starting at 12.55pm, Room 1.25-1.26)

**1.45-2.45pm: Keynote address:** Dr. Deborah Thom, University of Cambridge, 'Women, work and public memory', (Room 1.25-1.26, first floor, Iontas Building)

Chair: Clare O'Halloran, University College Cork

## 2.50pm-4.50pm Panel G: Women on both sides of the law, (Room 1.25-1.26, first floor, Iontas Building)

Chair: Jennifer Redmond, Maynooth University

Leanne McCormick, Ulster University, 'The Dangers and Temptations of the Street: Managing female behaviour in Belfast during World War One'

Cara Delay, College of Charleston, Unwanted Pregnancies and Women's Cultures in Ireland, 1914-1930.

John Johnston-Kehoe, Independent scholar, Wartime women patrols and the establishment of a female police role in Ireland

Sarah-Anne Buckley, NUI Galway, 'Growing up poor': working-class mothers and child welfare during the First World War

### 4.50pm Close of conference

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