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**WALSH GALLERY EXHIBITS  
OBJECTS FROM SETON HALL'S HISTORY  
"OUT OF THE VAULT"  
January 31 – May 13, 2022**

The Walsh Gallery presents "Out of the Vault," an exhibition of objects that illuminate important moments in Seton Hall's history. The exhibition situates the viewer with the founding of Seton Hall College in 1856 by James Roosevelt Bayley, the first Bishop of the Diocese of Newark and nephew of Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton – the first American born saint and the university's namesake. The exhibition then jumps 75 years to Seton Hall's Diamond Jubilee Anniversary in 1931. Objects from this period include a gold embroidered brocade vestment, historic commencement photographs, and a hand-written inscription from President McLaughlin to Bishop Walsh written on a yearbook page. "Out of the Vault" also explores the 700<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of poet Dante Alighieri's birth in 1961 with paintings by Professor of Art Anthony Triano, engravings by William Blake and a rare text of Dante's "La Vita Nuova" translated by celebrated artist Dante Gabriel Rossetti.

The Walsh Gallery and Department of Archives and Special Collections care for and interpret the objects in the university's collections. This exhibition is one of the many ways the departments preserve the university's history via material culture and research. Other collections include *The Wang Fangyu Collection of Asian Art* which includes objects spanning over 3,500 years from China, Japan, the Philippines, Korea, India and Vietnam; *The Seton Hall University Museum of Anthropology and Archaeology* which includes objects from North American cultures including the Leni Lenape, Paiute, Zuni, Pomo and Tlingit peoples as well as objects from South American, Asian, European and African cultures; and *The D'Argenio Collection of Coins and Antiquities* which includes coins from ancient Etruscan, Greek, Roman and Byzantine cultures. The collections are available to students, faculty and scholars for research and scholarly purposes. [Appointments to see the collections can be made by completing this form](#) or a portion of our collections can be viewed on [Google Arts and Culture](#).

Seton Hall University's beautiful main campus is located in suburban South Orange, New Jersey, and is only 14 miles from New York City — offering students a wealth of employment, internship, cultural and entertainment opportunities. Seton Hall's nationally recognized School of Law is prominently located in downtown Newark. The University's Interprofessional Health Sciences (IHS) campus in Clifton and Nutley, N.J. houses



Seton Hall's College of Nursing and School of Health and Medical Sciences as well as the Hackensack Meridian School of Medicine at Seton Hall University. The Walsh Gallery is open 9:00 am to 5:00 pm, Monday—Friday.