‘Creativity is contagious – pass it on’  
Albert Einstein

A Selection of Recent Donations to the College Art Collections

Universities seek to inspire a thirst for knowledge, alongside a passion to generate and share new ideas, within an environment of creativity. A significant proportion of the Art Collections at Trinity College Dublin has been donated. This is a tradition which began in the 18th century and continues to the present day. The artworks on display across the three exhibition panels in the Arts Building concourse are a small selection of the generous donations received over the past decade. We celebrate creativity, the artist and the donor, who are often one in the same person. Many donations come from our former students. As alumni, they seek to honour the University by sharing work which reflects how they were inspired by individuals and ideas during their time here. Over the period of this exhibition we will bring your attention to other donated artworks displayed around College by posting information on Twitter and our website.

If you enjoy this display, ‘pass it on’ - and tell your friends and family to visit, and to explore art on campus. You will find a link to a Campus Art Smartphone tour in Irish and English on our website:  

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List of artworks, from left to right

Donated by Dr. Graham McCarthy, College Alumnus, in honour of Professor George Dawson
Pierre Soulages
‘Composition’
lithograph print, edition 37/65

Donated by The estate of Rhoda McGuinness, sister of the artist, facilitated by the Friends of the National Collections
Norah McGuinness
Tug Boats, New York’ (1938)
gouache on paper

Donated by the Artist, College Alumnus, 1 of 12 artworks given by the artist
Richard Gorman
‘Deux Chop’
woodblock print on paper

Donated by Dr. Patrick J. Murphy, Honorary Fellow of the College, to commemorate former Provost Dr Thomas Mitchell’s contribution to culture
Breon O’Casey
‘Central White’ (2008)
acrylic on board

Donated by Ciaran Nicholson, College Alumnus and former Library Staff member
John Shinnors,
‘The Red Ribbon II’
oil pastel

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