



## **Hugh Lane Gallery**

### **Director's Choice**

#### **Barbara Dawson**

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- A personal tour through the fascinating collection of the Hugh Lane Gallery, Dublin, guided by Director Barbara Dawson
- The newest addition to Scala's acclaimed 'Director's Choice' series
- Traces works from the early collection of Hugh Lane and his supporters through to contemporary practice

The Hugh Lane Gallery, Dublin's city art gallery, is situated in the heart of the city. It was established in 1908 by the art collector and dealer Hugh Lane and is the oldest public modern art gallery in the world in continuous existence. Inspired by the Irish Literary Revival, the establishment of the gallery is acknowledged as one of the most significant cultural events in the birth of Modern Ireland. With works ranging from the mid-19th century to the contemporary, this remarkable public collection, created in a unique spirit of philanthropy, is one of Ireland's foremost cultural institutions.

This selection of highlights, lucidly chosen by Director Barbara Dawson, takes a personal journey through the fascinating collection; from early works presented by Hugh Lane and his supporters through to contemporary practice.

**Barbara Dawson** is Director of the Hugh Lane Municipal Gallery of Modern Art Dublin. She secured Francis Bacon's Studio in 1998 and devised the strategy behind its removal and installation in the gallery in 2001.