

Hunt Museum gets more funds

THE funds of the Hunt Museum received a boost when GE Capital Aviation Services, Shannon, presented a cheque for £100,000.

Herb Depp, president of the company presented the cheque to the museum's private sector endowment to Mayor Jan O'Sullivan.

She described the cheque as "a very generous contribution" and paid tribute to the efforts of many voluntary helpers in the museum.

"This is an extremely generous donation by GE and no doubt it will be put to very good use," she added.

The Hunt collection is one of the great private collections put together this century.

Embracing some 3,000 art objects ranging from Neolithic and Irish bronze age to medieval figure sculpture and works by Picasso, Renoir, Gauguin and Yeats, it was assembled by John and Gertrude Hunt.

A new museum to provide a permanent home for the collection is now being created in the Old Custom House, fronting the Curraghower Falls.

One of the city's finest cut-stone buildings, the Custom House is being restored under a joint design team from the Corporation and the Office of Public Works.



Herb Depp, president, G.E. Capital Aviation Services, at the Hunt Museum yesterday with Mairead Dunleavy, director of the museum. The company presented £100,000 to the museum. (LL)

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