

MEDIA STATEMENT



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Generous gift expands City Art Collection

The City of Bunbury art collection just got bigger thanks to a generous donation from Bunbury man Diether Hanisch.

Mr Hanisch – an avid art collector – gifted the City 13 ceramic works of art by Busselton artist Nora Rushton.

Mrs Rushton was a well-respected member of the Busselton Art Society for more than 20 years before she passed away in 2007.

The artworks were part of her estate and caught Mr Hanisch's eye for their art nouveau-style.

Bunbury Mayor Gary Brennan thanked Mr Hanisch for the donation as well as acknowledging the importance of the City Art Collection and the Bunbury Regional Art Galleries.

"This thoughtful and generous donation from Mr Hanisch expands our ever growing collection and I thank him for passing on his beloved works to us," Mr Brennan said.

"These pieces of art will look sensational in the Galleries and I invite the public to come check them out."

The City Art Collection has more than 800 pieces including two-dimensional and three-dimensional pieces, cared for by a professional curator.

Artworks can be viewed at the Galleries and the City of Bunbury Customer Service building.

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