

**AN EXHIBITION OF WORKS FROM
THE FLEMING COLLECTION
GOES ON SHOW IN**

KIRKCUDBRIGHT, SCOTLAND

27 JULY - 28 AUGUST

A selection of works from the Fleming Collection will go on show at The Town Hall, Kirkcudbright, from 27th July until 28th August. The exhibition will include works by many of Scotland's most prominent artists including James Guthrie, Leslie Hunter, D.Y. Cameron, Anne Redpath, Peter Howson, Elizabeth Blackadder and Barbara Rae, as well as works by the Colourists Fergusson, Cadell and Peplow, including Peplow's painting of Kirkcudbright.

Chairman of the committee for the exhibition, Joe Campbell, says "This is a fantastic coup for Kirkcudbright to secure this exhibition. We are all very excited that Kirkcudbright will once again have an exhibition of such quality."

Maurice Griffiths, from the organising committee, adds " This is an important step in Kirkcudbright's progress as Artists' Town and also represents a further step in our quest to establish a permanent gallery in Kirkcudbright for the works of artists from South West Scotland."

The Fleming Collection is widely regarded as one of the most important private collections of Scottish art with many works being exhibited in museums and galleries worldwide. The collection, which was started in 1968, originally decorated the walls of the London and overseas offices of Flemings, the merchant bank. In 2000, following the takeover of Flemings by Chase Manhattan Corporation, the collection was sold to the Fleming-Wyfold Art Foundation, a charitable foundation endowed by the Fleming Family. A space specially designed for the collection was opened at 13 Berkeley Street, London, in January this year.

About sixty-five works from the collection will be presented in Kirkcudbright as a follow-up to the successful Homecoming Exhibition held in The Town Hall in August 2000. The Homecoming was a highly popular exhibition, attracting over 23,000 visitors in a month. Works for display in the exhibition were borrowed from several private and public collections including the Glasgow Museums, The National Galleries of Scotland and the Fleming Collection.