



The Right Honorable Sir Thomas W. Russell, Bart.

Date

1905

Primary Maker

Sir William Orpen

Medium

Oil on canvas

Dimensions

73.6 x 62.2 cm

Description

This is a half-length portrait of a man, the Right Honorable Sir Thomas W. Russell, Bart. He is seated and wearing a

dinner jacket and tie. His arms are folded in front. His grey beard matches his grey hair. In 1901 Hugh Lane became fired with the idea of creating a modern art gallery in Dublin and he commissioned John Butler Yeats to paint a series of portraits of distinguished Irishmen and later Sir William Orpen continued the task adding portraits including this one. All of Orpen's portraits commissioned by Lane were presented to the Gallery.