

Virtual Visit- Portrait & Landscape

Why not pay a Virtual Visit to our museum's collection and see some of the wonderful paintings, portraits and prints that we have.

Start by look closely to see what you can see- what colours and shapes are there, are there people, animals or buildings. What do you think is going on in the picture, is it telling a story? Is your picture a portrait or landscape?

A **landscape** shows the natural and built scenery such as trees mountains valleys, rivers, weather, buildings, farms. It is usually depicted in a wide view or frame, like this one.



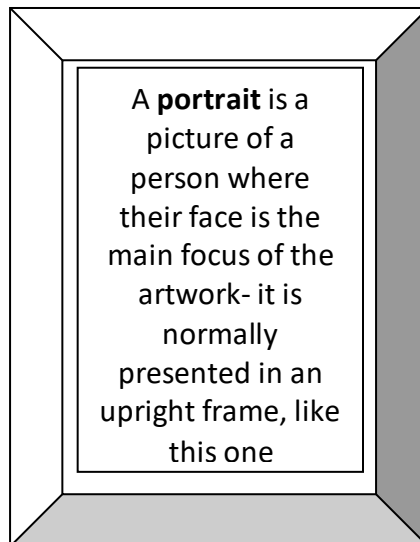
This painting is called "The Curlers at Rawyards" It was painted by John Levack in 1857. It shows a curling match in progress on a pond at Rawyards on the eastern outskirts of Airdrie.

There are lots of really interesting things to see in this painting- lots of people- look closely at their faces and clothes. Look at the sky and the trees, can you tell what time of year it is, or what the weather is like? I wonder what they had for their picnic. Can you spot the dog as well!

You can see a bigger version of this painting and many other landscapes on our website at <https://www.culturenlmuseums.co.uk/SIModes/landscape/>

Why don't you try and re-create one of these landscapes, or use the landscape around you to paint your own picture at home?

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This portrait is called "Reading Aloud" and it was painted by the same artist- John LeVack in 1853.

It shows a young girl reading aloud from the bible.

Look closely- what all can you see in this portrait? How many people are there, what do they look like? What is happening in the picture? What colours has the artist used? Does it look old or modern?

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