



## Art Group

**Leader: Ann Fasken**

**Next event:** **Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> May**, 10.30 am in Golf Club when there will be an Art Quiz. Also Ann is trying to arrange a trip to Dublin on **Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> May** to visit the Hugh Lane Gallery followed by "*My Cousin Rachel*" at the Gate Theatre. Please contact her asap if you wish to go.

This group has 3 strands

- It selects an artist for each meeting and discusses their work.
- It organises special trips to **exhibitions**
- It is arranging some **sketching** sessions

### **Past events:**

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| 2011-2012 | DVD Series on the History of European Art  |
| July 11   | Sketching at Castleward  |
| June 11   | Sketching at Ardglass Harbour  |
| June 11   | Visit to Frida Kahlo and Diego Rivera Exhibition in Dublin   |
| Oct 10    | Visit to the Lavery and Metsu exhibitions in Dublin  |
| June 10   | Trip to and tour of the National Gallery in Dublin   |
| Mar 10    | Tour of Belfast Galleries  |
| May 09    | Visit to Battletown Gallery in Newtownards where members were welcomed with freshly made coffee and scones and shown works by 18 artists about whom Alison, the gallery owner, gave a talk.                                      |
| Apr. 09   | Showing and discussion of art DVDs   |
| Mar. 09   | Jim Manley, artist, took our group for painting. He advised and talked to members and discussed their work.  |
| Feb. 09   | Donald Nelson arrived at Maggie's house armed with books, prints and pictures. He discussed techniques for drawing – sketching outdoors, perspective, foreshortening, life drawing – and held a discussion and question session. |
| Jan. 09   | Bronagh Lawson brought her portfolio of paintings and talked to a captive audience who were delighted with her work. She explained how she came into the art world, her progress and her aspirations for the future.             |
| Dec. 08   | The group took the Belfast Gallery Tour.   |
| Nov. 08   | The group visited the studio of Michael O'Neill in "The House" in Strangford when the artist made them very welcome, showed them round and gave a talk on his work   |
| Oct. 08   | Jim Manley invited members to attend the opening of his art exhibition in Portaferry, with wine and local entertainers.  |