



## Art Group

**Leader: Ann Fasken**

**Next event:** Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> February, 10.30 am in St Michael Centre

This group has 3 strands

- It is studying a course on the **History of European Art**. This is video based and takes place in the cinema in the St Michael's Centre. The cost is £2 per head.
- It organises special trips to **exhibitions**
- It is arranging some **sketching** sessions

**Past events:**

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.