



Background to the Joint Education Partnership

The Joint Education Partnership known as the 'The Three Muses' has been in operation since November 2019. The Partners are The Hunt Museum, Limerick Museum and Limerick City Gallery of Art. The partnership is funded by Limerick City and County Council and The Hunt Museum.

Why was it established?

1. To extend the Hunt Museum's educational expertise to Limerick Museum and Limerick City Gallery of Art
2. To pool the financial resources of the three cultural institutions with the goal of:
 - 2.1. creating the Public Engagement Coordinator role
 - 2.2 delivering joined up public engagement opportunities which maximise learning and engagement with the three collections.

Programme Aim & Objectives

The purpose of this programme is to increase access, ownership and enjoyment of the collections of Limerick Museum, LCGA and The Hunt Museum.

Objectives:

- To provide joined up creative learning and engagement opportunities across the three collections
- To support primary school aged children, their teachers and the wider community to creatively connect with and respond to the collections
- To build relationships with existing audiences and engage new ones

- To forge a sense of identity and place through our shared cultural heritage

Synopsis of Progress to date

The [Exploring Art & Identity](#) programme for primary schools was piloted in late 2019 and was launched in January 2020. It engages children with 19th and 20th century visual art and historic collections. In 2020, over 2,000 children accessed this programme through physical and online workshops and related digital [resources including games](#). Delivery of this programme has continued in 2021 but planning for a new programme entitled *Clay Through the Ages* is also underway. The Public Engagement Coordinator will be responsible for the development and delivery of this new programme while also ensuring the continuation of *Exploring Art & Identity*.