



# Studying Art at Senior Cycle

### Aim

Leaving Certificate Art aims to develop in learners the knowledge, skills, understanding and values needed to bring an idea to realisation and to respond to, understand, analyse and evaluate their own work and the work of others.

The learner will become aware of the world of Visual Studies, how it can inform their own work and life, and thereby become more aware of their own place in a wider society.

### How will I be examined

A reformed Leaving Cycle art syllabus has been implemented since September 2022.

A Students final result will now be a combination of three assessments

50% - Practical coursework project

20% - Practical invigilated exam

30% - Visual studies written paper

Students can take art at either Higher or Ordinary level

## Practical Coursework (50%)

The largest part of the assessment is based on a project completed inside the classroom from January-Easter. This is worth 50% of the overall grade for LC art.

Students will receive a brief with three "themes" to choose from. You will pick one of these themes to base your practical work on.

### Coursework: Instructions

### Introduction

- 1. Select one of the themes below and base your coursework on this theme:
- A. Yello
- B. Looking
- c. Connectio
- You may consider using the support material suggested under each of the themes below. This support material indicates possible areas of investigation within the theme that you might find interesting. However, these are suggestions only and there are many other equally valid approaches that you could take.
- 3. Choose your own approach and produce your own work in response to your chosen theme.

Theme A Yellow	Theme B Looking	Theme C Connection
Of the colour between green and orange on the spectrum.	To direct one's attention, to have the appearance or likelihood of being.	A relationship in which a person or thing is linked or associated with something else.
Fluorescent highlighters sunsets and sunrises nature, bees and honey brass candlesticks, gilded frames and gold embroidery dandelions, daffodils, sunflowers and autumn leaves neon yellow football boots high-vis and glow-in-the-dark safety gear sweetcorn, melon, banana, sliced pears and lemons earrings and nail varnish happiness, enlightenment, joy.	Spectacle, spectators, audiences, participants or curious onlookers optical illusions, sleight of hand, static, frozen, a fleeting moment marvelling at nature, scientific observation and studying camouflage, makeovers and disguises magnifying glasses, mirrors, binoculars, windows, enfilades worm's eye view, panoramas overviews and close-ups looking forward, expectation.	Shadows and light, grounds and surfaces method and outcome shoes and wellies on a welcome mat empathy, friends, family green shoots in brown earth and animals grazing on a hillside passengers travelling engrossed in poems, stories content and TV programme: holidays, challenges, adventures and sports.
Roderic O'Conor Yellow Landscape 1892	Johannes Vermeer Woman Writing a Letter, with her Maid 1670	Anish Kapoor Cloud Gate 2004

## Practical Coursework (50%)

You will be issued with a notebook to explore and develop ideas in for your practical coursework.

This notebook will also be where you plan your ideas for your invigilated exam.



# What could I make for my practical course work?

Students will be able to choose from a wide range of projects to complete for their LC coursework. These include but are not limited to......

- Posters
- Pottery
- Modelling
- Puppet making
- Weaving
- Printing



# Invigilated Exam (20%)

After the completion of the practical coursework and the SEC notebook, students will then complete a 5 hour invigilated day exam

Students will have their entire project planned out in advance of this exam in their SEC notebook.





## Visual Studies (30%)

Visual studies gives students the opportunity to learn about exciting periods in the history of art. From the first stone age artists in Irelands to the master creators of the high renaissance; students will learn how to use critical and visual language to understand and analyze art work from these respected time periods.



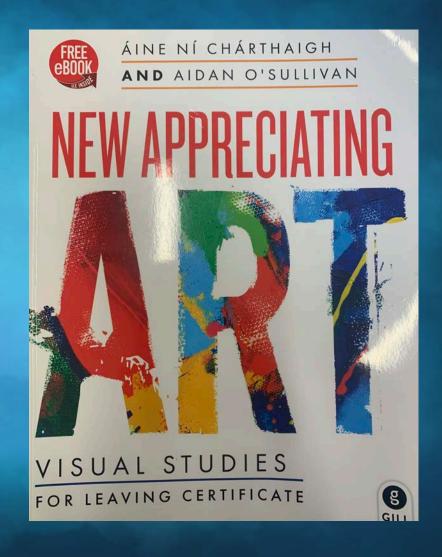
There is a very large emphases on looking at thrilling contemporary artists and designers who create art work today

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Content area 1: Europe and the wider world

Content area 2: Ireland and its place in the world

Content area 3: Todays world



## Benefits of Studying Art at Senior Cycle

Studying art has countless benefits at Leaving cycle. These include some of the following......

- You will gain essentials skills that will aid you in other subjects E.g.
   Construction Studies
- 70% of your overall grade is determined before you sit the written exam in June.
- You will get field trips to galleries, museums and cultural centers as part of your study to enhance your appreciation of art.
- You will develop critical and creative skills suitable to many jobs
- There has been an explosion of job opportunities in the art world thanks to the internet.



### Creative Careers



**Graphic Designers/ Illustrators** 



**Tattoo Artist** 



**Fashion Designers** 



**Architecture** 



**Artist Educator** 



**Product Designers**