

Audio Tour for Kids & Families: An Artist's Adventure
Transcript of introduction track

SFX: jangle of keys, footsteps (female)

Ide:

And so, another day begins. Time to unlock the doors of the Gallery and let in our eager visitors. I'm Ide, and it's my job to look after the treasures we have here at the National Gallery of Ireland. By night, I make sure the works of art are safe and sound, and by day, I look after our lovely visitors - the best part of my job. I love sharing all the amazing stories about our artworks!

SFX: key unlocking door; door opening.

I wonder who'll be joining us today....

SFX: sound of the open air (e.g. birds tweeting, car passing)

Eoin:

[lively, enthusiastic] Ah you're open, at last! I've been waiting for ages.

Ide:

You're early! And keen!

Eoin:

That's because I've got a lot to do today! I'm Eoin, and one day I want to be a great artist like the ones in this gallery but I'm only just learning. I've got to paint my first big masterpiece, and that's why I've come here today - to get some ideas from other artists and see how they created their work.

Ide:

You've come to the right place! This art gallery is a treasure trove. We've got about 14000 works of art - large and small, old and new - but I've chosen a few of my favourites to show you. Come on in!

Eoin:

Wow! My own private tour of the Gallery!

Ide:

Well, not quite. I've got some other visitors with me too - you can't see them, and they can't see us but they're listening to our every word! Maybe they'll help you come up with ideas for your masterpiece too! Ready?

Eoin:

Never readier!

Ide:

And you? Are you ready? So let's begin!