

Year 2 Art – Henri Rousseau

What I should already know

- To understand that my ideas can be expressed in artwork.
- To know that art comes in many forms.
- To know that artists have different styles.

What I will learn by the end of this unit

- To know who Henri Rousseau was and describe his skills.
- To identify and describe the features of the genre Portrait-Landscape
- To use Rousseau's skills and techniques to create their own portrait landscape
- To explain how they feel after exploring Rousseau's work.

About the Artist – Henry Rousseau (1844-1910)

Key Facts

Born in 1844 in Western France

He attended boarding school and won awards for drawing and music

After leaving school he served in the army for four years

He worked as a tax collector for the Paris Customs Office

Painting was a hobby. He taught himself how to paint

He was well known for his jungle themed artwork

His work became popular after his death in 1910



Interesting Facts:

Henri Rousseau- post impressionist His most recognised painting 'Tiger in a Tropical Storm (Surprised)'. Rousseau lied about visiting the jungle and seeing the animals. Instead, he copied from books, made things up and visited the greenhouses in Paris at the Botanic Gardens to copy the plants. Rousseau's technique included the use of controlled brush strokes, which made each object in the painting appear outlined.

Key Vocabulary

plants	animals	thickness
portrait	techniques	landscape
paintings	artist	sketch

Disciplinary Skills

- Use and layer a variety of media – pencils, rubbers, crayons, pastels, felts, charcoal, chalk.
- To ask questions and answer questions
- Use a sketchbook for practising skills and recording knowledge.
- To express emotions and feelings when reflecting on art work