

St Patrick's Day Trail



Lacoon and his Sons (detail), c1816, plaster cast, Collection Crawford Art Gallery, Cork.

There is a legend that St Patrick banished all of the snakes from Ireland.

A few snakes have slithered their way back into the Gallery, can you help us find them?

Hint: Take a look in the Sculpture Gallery and the Radharc exhibition on Floor 1.

Did you know, snakes likely had legs for the first 70 million years of their existence?

There is space here for you to draw what you think a snake with legs might look like!



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Detail of main staircase, c. 1884

As you go up the big wooden stairs, how many shamrocks can you count on the stairs?

Long ago, people believed that finding a four leaved clover gave you special powers - like being able to see faeries!

Other Worlds: Harry Clarke Watercolours

Can you find this painting by Noreen Spillane, in the Other Worlds exhibition on the top Floor?

Faeries have always held a strong place in Irish mythology.

It was thought that fairy forts were portals into the Otherworld.



Noreen Spillane, *Come Away, Oh! Human Child*, c. 1955, Collection Crawford Art Gallery, Cork

Draw or write a description of what you think the Otherworld would look like



Harry Clarke, *The Consecration of St. Mel, Bishop of Longford, by St. Patrick* (detail), c.1910

Harry Clarke: Early Stained Glass

This stained glass scene by Harry Clarke can also be found on the Top Floor. It shows St Patrick blessing St Mel, the Bishop of Longford.

Did you know, Harry Clarke was born in Dublin on St Patrick's Day in 1889?