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DAVID SCOTT: Welcome to Curious City, the

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podcast from Glasgow Life Museums.

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I'm David Scott and this is how it works.

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In each episode we head into Glasgow, discovering pieces and museum objects

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that link and surprising ways,

uncovering the stories that surround us.

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Who knows where we go

and what we see this time?

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As our guest this week,

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we welcome

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actor, comedian and writer Sanjeev Kohli.

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Sanjeev, welcome.

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SANJEEV KOHLI: Thank you for having me.

It's a pleasure to be here.

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DAVID SCOTT: Thank you for coming along.

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Before we dive in.

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Can you tell us a little bit

about yourself, Sanjeev?

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SANJEEV KOHLI: I'm a radio presenter turned writer.

Turned actor.

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That's kind of the way that that happened.

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Originally, I was going to be a doctor,

if you want to hear the full story.

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Did that for four months - hated it!

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Did a maths degree, which I haven't used either, and I fell into broadcasting.

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So, actually this sort of thing

is kind of where I used to earn my bread

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and butter - radio presenting,

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and that led to

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comedy writing because I'd been a massive

consumer of comedy as a child

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in as much as a very academic child

and kind of across the board academically.

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It turned out my actual education

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happened watching the "Two Ronnies" and "Kenny Everett",

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and "Absolutely".

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So I became known as a radio presenter

who could be funny.

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And that led to sketch writing things

like "Chewin' the Fat" and "Goodness,

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Gracious Me" then led to acting

and then eventually "Still Game",

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which is probably the thing

that I'm best known for

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and I'm happy to be best known for

because it seems to be almost

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universally popular.

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So yeah, if you just say the guy from the shop

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from "Still Game", people

generally know who you're talking about.

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DAVID SCOTT:Are you spotted a lot when you're out

and about in Glasgow?

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SANJEEV KOHLI: It's happened

more and more over the years.

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I mean, I'd like to think

I look very different from Navid.

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Navid actually looks like

my Dad, he's kind of based on my Dad.

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My dad is a turban Sikh

who came to England originally,

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so he was born in India.

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My mum was born in Nairobi.

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They had an arranged marriage.

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"Lunch was at 12, dancing was at 3"

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- I always do that joke - and they landed in

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in London in 1966, which is where me and my two brothers were born.

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And my dad retrained as a teacher at a teacher training college in Dundee.

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Got his first job in Glasgow and that's the reason I finally landed in Glasgow.

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You could argue that I'm kind of the epitome of the sort of immigrant

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experience

in the UK and in Scotland, though

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my mum and dad worked really, really, really hard

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to get us a private school education, which I'm eternally grateful for.

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The irony being that

I didn't become a doctor.

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I became a comedy writer and actor.

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I'm very, very proud of this city.

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I loved Glasgow.

I brought my kids up here.

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I'm very much a Weegee

and have absolutely exploited my Weegee-ness

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in things like "Chewin' the Fat", like "Still Game".

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I mean, you could argue as well

that Navid is almost my

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Glasgow half and my the Asian half

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coming together on a beautiful point

it was almost like it was written for me

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and I could showcase

that GlaswegAsian accent, which

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I apologize to the denizens of Govanhill

for stealing your accent.

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I didn't steal,

I borrowed it. I'll give it back.

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It's just a beautiful Glasgow

vernacular with that little spin,

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just that way of speaking,

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you know, I grew up with people like they were...

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"don't worry, I am brand new - widoes!"

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I think actually Glasgow

folk don't know how funny they are.

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So it's been nice to be able to

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almost tell Glasgow

folk, "you do know you are funny?".

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It's just taken a character like Navid

to be to slightly represent it.

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DAVID SCOTT: It's been written for you,

but you're slipping into that.

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I mean, how,

how easy or how difficult was that?

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SANJEEV KOHLI: I could pretend it was a lot harder

than it was that there was a "process",

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but - I knew this guy. Ford and Greg,

geniuses that they are - and I have to stress

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they write every single word

of "Still Game" -

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every single show. Be it

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the TV or the live

shows - absolute geniuses.

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And they had the foresight

to write this character that was based on

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a shopkeeper that we all knew.

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And I did worry to start with that

what the reaction might be.

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"Oh, the highest profile Asian

character on television is a shopkeeper -

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what a stereotype!"

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Well, yes, it is a stereotype.

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But it's a stereotype because it's true.

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I've not done the stats,

but I would imagine that

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a disproportionate

number of of these shops are run

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by Asian families,

not just in Scotland, but all over the UK.

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And you have to examine the reasons for

that - it's because my mum and dad weren't

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getting jobs.

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I mean, we had a shop for a while.

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My mum, was a trained social worker.

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My dad was a trained teacher

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but he watched all of his colleagues

get promoted above him

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and he had his own theories as to why

perhaps a turban Sikh wasn't getting promotion.

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So at one point he thought maybe we should

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take control

of the situation and run our own business.

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And to me, that speaks of

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an incredible work ethic,

but also just a life ethic.

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I mean, I've always said that

if you want to

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see the kind of

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Asian immigrant experience

encapsulated in the snapshot,

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go to any private school in Glasgow,

pick-up time.

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It'll be at least one shop van

and one restaurant van,

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and that will be Asian

families, Italian families working their

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bahookies off to give the kids

an education they never had.

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I mean, the whole education ethic, again,

that's a stereotype because it's true.

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We were never not going to go

to university.

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You know, as it turns out,

I didn't really use the degree that I got.

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But, you know,

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the point was you're going to university

and there's no real choice with that.

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So all of these

things, I think these are stereotypes

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that we can celebrate

because they are positive ones.

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So I knew this Navid character,

just the history of a guy like Navid

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a guy that is in a pretty

kicked-in area of Glasgow

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and is the richest guy there. He is

the guy driving the tan Mercedes with

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the private number plate. There's probably going

to be a lot of jealousy aimed at this guy.

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And also he's probably

the only brown face in the neighbourhood.

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So, he will have had to put up

with a lot of rubbish and it's only

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fleetingly referred to in "Still Game", which I think is part of the beauty of the writing.

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Part of the reason that I was drawn

to Navid in the first place was,

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yes, he's Asian.

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Yes, he's Muslim,

but it's not the first thing that he is.

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It's a sixth or seventh thing that he is.

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And it's only latterly that you'll

maybe make reference to the fact

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that he did have a hard time

running a shop in Craiglang.

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There's a whole thing where an episode

called "Hyperdales", where everyone's going

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to this big out-of-town version of Costco

and he might have to give the shop up.

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And he does

this big monologue in The Clansman,

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which is: "I was there for you

every day of life, bringing in your rolls

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and where you now? You've gone to Hyperdales.

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I put up a lot of rubbish!"

And he just says the word "graffiti".

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It's one single word and you know exactly

what he means by that.

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He doesn't say racist

graffiti, he just says graffiti.

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But the implication is:

"I went through a lot,

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growing up as an Asian man in Glasgow

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in the seventies and eighties," to a lesser  $% \left( 1\right) =\left( 1\right) \left( 1\right) \left($ 

extent than I did.

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So I knew exactly who this guy was.

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So it was a very good fit for me,

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even though he was, you know,

theoretically 30 years older than me.

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I knew this guy was a

I knew how to play him.

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DAVID SCOTT: Sanjeev, before we see where we are

this week, can I ask, are you

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someone who likes the museum?

SANJEEV KOHLI: Not always.

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You know, we've been on holiday

and you feel duty-bound to visit

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local museum and sometimes you think

this isn't speaking to me.

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My kids are bored.

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Museums are meant to be interactive

in the moment.

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Affect you on some level,

but this is just dull.

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And then there are other places

like at the Kelvingrove

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which speak to everyone

of all ages, of all backgrounds.

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So I like a museum that likes me back.

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DAVID SCOTT: Opened in 1901,

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Kelvingrove holds a very special place

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in the hearts of visitors

from across the city and across the world.

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It's a classic city museum.

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It's got a collection that showcases

Scottish history, the history of our city

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design, medieval arms and armory,

natural history.

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And it's also the home

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to one of the finest civic fine and decorative arts collections in Europe.

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This place has everything, including

a host of wonderful memories for those

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who grew up coming to Kelvingrove. Sanjeev, does that sound like you?

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Were you somebody who grew up

coming to Kelvingrove?

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SANJEEV KOHLI: Absolutely.

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When my folks moved up to Glasgow in 1973,

we lived

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round the corner

really in Hillhead in flats and Bank St. and Otago. St

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You know,

take us to my two abiding memories

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as a child at that time

were going to the swimming baths

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at the union, the Stevie building

and coming here to the Kelvingrove.

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It was just such a lovely thing

to be able to do.

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And I remember being absolutely bamboozled

by the height of the ceilings.

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It was kind of kind of scary,

quite echoey and big and cavernous.

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But then you very quickly realize kids

are allowed. There's things there for kids.

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It's been there for everyone.

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Always felt like a very inclusive place,

but also just the building itself.

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It's one of my favourite buildings

in the world, it is a city

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museum, is a pretty central location

and it's massive!

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You'd come around the corner

and there it was.

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It was almost like a choir of angels

would sing

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as you see this beautiful red sandstone building.

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just sitting there like it'd

been there since the dawn of time.

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And yeah,

there's just something for everyone.

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DAVID SCOTT: What is it that gives it that sense?

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SANJEEV KOHLI: I think it's just the range of objects,

you know, I'm thinking now of the Elvis,

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you know, who doesn't look the Elvis

in my day, the dinosaurs, the plane.

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I mean, it was just that thing of

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trying to speak to people and say, "look, art is for everyone".

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And it just felt like a home from home, whatever age you were,

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whatever your background was,

there was just something for you there.

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You never felt that you weren't

allowed to touch anything or, you know it.

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It just felt like a very welcoming space.

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DAVID SCOTT: So for the episode today,

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you've chosen a few of your favourite

Kelvingrove highlights.

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Where would you like to start, Sanjeev?

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SANJEEV KOHLI: I apologise for being slightly

obvious, but I'm gonna go for the the Dali painting.

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Pretty iconic, totemic.

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I associate it with the late

eighties, early nineties and at that age,

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I mean I was sort of late

teens, early twenties and I'm

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not actually massive on visual art,

but everyone know's who Salvador Dali is.

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I mean, an absolute groundbreaker.

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I loved where they positioned it -

the big, lovely long

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walk to it and you could see that

lovely changing perspective.

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I think it's done so beautifully.

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And that sense of height - you almost get vertigo when you look at it,

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when you ask most people about Dali,

they're going to be probably

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talking about the surreal stuff

and the melting watches and all that.

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But this was a much more,

I guess, conventional work,

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but still incredibly impactful.

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DAVID SCOTT: "Christ of St. John of the Cross" is

the formal title. Painted in 1951,

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it was brought to Glasgow in 1952,

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but it's not just Glaswegians

who love this painting.

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In fact, it's on loan again right now.

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Alan met with our European

Art Curator to find out more.

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PIPPA STEPHENSON-SIT: My name's Pippa Stephenson-Sit.

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And I'm the curator of European

Art for Glasgow Museums

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and within my remit

that includes paintings, drawings

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and works on paper and sculpture

that date from around 1450 up to 1960.

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And the reason why it's 1960 is because

the latest painting that I deal with is,

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is this painting itself

Dali - Crisis of St. John of the Cross.

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ALAN BRAIDWOOD: So you're absolutely the right person

to speak to you about it!

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Yeah, it's it's one of my

one of my big favourites, this painting.

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So, the Dali - it's been chosen by Sanjeev, and he's told us

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it's one of his favourite objects in Kelvingrove.

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ALAN BRAIDWOOD: Could you describe

the painting itself, please?

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PIPPA STEPHENSON-SIT: Sure.

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Well, it is an absolutely remarkable picture, particularly

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when you know the work of Salvador Dali and you're used to seeing things like the

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the clocks and the eggs

and the spindly-legged elephants, etc..

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And then the way we've positioned

the picture is that you go into a

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small room - it has a room to itself.

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And what you're seeing before you

is an image of the crucified Christ

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on the cross.

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But what's so different about this picture

is that while we're used to seeing

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images of crucified Christ with bloodied

hands, a gash down the side of him,

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a crown of thorns,

this Christ is absolutely perfect.

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He's got a perfect muscular body.

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He's suspended.

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We can't see his face at all.

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And the usual attributes or things

that we associate with the crucifix

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are completely gone.

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And then furthermore,

at the bottom of the painting,

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we can see a landscape which is quite

a distinctive seaside landscape,

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and it forms a kind of optical illusion

because although we're looking down

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on the cross, we're also looking straight

across this landscape.

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So what you're presented with is quite

perplexing and incredibly memorable.

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ALAN BRAIDWOOD: Why did Glasgow Life Museums

choose that particular painting?

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PIPPA STEPHENSON-SIT: Well, this picture has

a really interesting history behind it.

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So when it was made in 1951,

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Dali was starting this new phase

in his career called Nuclear Mysticism.

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And this is where he tried to fuse science

with religion.

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And our Director at the time, Dr.

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T.J. Honeyman, was very interested in Dali

and the work that he was doing.

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And so he was invited to a gallery

in London to see the work.

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And this was in late 1951.

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So just a few short months

after it was painted

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and he went to see the picture

00:12:51:09 - 00:12:55:17

and it just left a real impression

on Honeyman and indeed the whole room.

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There were many pictures

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by Dali on display

at the time in this particular exhibition,

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And Honeyman recognised the interest

that this picture was causing.

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And so it was really through

his dedication

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and interest in the picture

and him recognising what

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a fascinating picture

this would art-historically,

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and just aesthetically that that's why with his personal momentum, he pushed it through.

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And despite protests, indeed it was

it was purchased at the price

00:13:26:13 - 00:13:31:03

of just over £8,000, which was seen

as wildly extravagant at the time.

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And it led to protests

by the Glasgow School of Art.

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People were writing in the newspapers

for months on end.

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It proved to be a very prudent

and very important purchase.

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ALAN BRAIDWOOD: What do you think

makes it so popular with people?

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PIPPA STEPHENSON-SIT: As curator responsible for the picture,

I do get quite a few emails and comments.

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I think people are just really

firstly struck by the skill behind

00:13:52:15 - 00:13:54:14

the way that Dali has painted this.

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But secondly,

I think that people are often very moved

00:13:57:14 - 00:14:00:15

by this picture

and they don't expect to be whether or not

00:14:00:15 - 00:14:04:03

that's because they think they know Dali and then they see this picture.

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But for some reason or another, people

often find themselves sat in front of this

00:14:08:07 - 00:14:12:03

picture for half an hour, an hour,

and they just keep coming back to it.

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It has this kind of magical appeal

to people. Visitors to Kelvingrove,

00:14:15:15 - 00:14:18:24

sometimes are disappointed because

there's a space where the painting is hung.

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I was just wondering why we loan it,

why we share it with the world.

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Glaswegians, quite rightly,

feel a great attachment to this picture.

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It is one of our most treasured objects

in the entire Glasgow Museums

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collection, and I know people do travel

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quite far to see it and it can be

disappointing when it's not on the walls.

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But I think what

we also have to understand

00:14:35:17 - 00:14:38:22

is that we have a responsibility

when we care for these objects

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that not just people from

or visiting Glasgow can see them.

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And indeed Dali spoke

quite passionately about the world

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having a chance to see his painting.

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So he was quite adamant that we should

show this picture around the world.

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And I think that's not only does

allow people who might not have the chance

00:14:54:06 - 00:14:58:02

to visit us here to see the painting,

but it also puts it in a greater context.

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So for example, with this picture,

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an entire exhibition is being devoted entirely to our picture,

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and that includes archival content

that has never been seen before.

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And it also brings with it

great academic work.

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A whole book has been published

00:15:12:09 - 00:15:15:16

by the Dali Foundation in line

with this exhibition.

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We will learn a great deal

more about this picture as well

00:15:18:11 - 00:15:21:19

by affording it the chance to be seen

in a different context.

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And indeed the one where it was painted,

back in Dalis' home.

00:15:25:11 - 00:15:27:04

ALAN BRAIDWOOD: Pippa, thanks so much for taking a moment to speak with us.

00:15:27:04 - 00:15:28:22

PIPPA STEPHENSON-SIT: Ah - it's been a pleasure. Thank you.

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DAVID SCOTT: Okay.

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We've stepped into Kelvingrove's East Court and we're surrounded by sculptures.

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We're in Kelvingrove's "Expression" wing.

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This space is a gateway into the building's

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painting galleries. High above us is expression, written large.

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Known as the Floating Heads,

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hovering above us are dozens of larger than life

00:15:47:19 - 00:15:52:01

white, sculpted, floating heads,

and they're all pulling different faces.

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Sanjeev - what do these heads say and mean to you?

00:15:55:07 - 00:15:58:04

SANJEEV KOHLI: Well, I'll always associate

these heads with my kids

00:15:58:04 - 00:16:01:09

that when we came here,

that was the first thing we got to see.

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And again,

it just speaks about the accessibility

00:16:04:03 - 00:16:06:11

of the place

because you can't not love them.

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I mean, we talk about what does it it's

about the human condition. What better

00:16:10:22 - 00:16:15:00

expression of the human condition

than how we express ourselves facially.

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You always hear that

00:16:15:24 - 00:16:19:21

beautiful sound of children laughing

when you're around the floating heads.

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I think it's hard not to smile

when you see the the floating head.

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DAVID SCOTT: Absolutely - you're right -

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Bryony was here

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earlier in the week to hear a little bit

more about the story behind the Heads.

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BRYONY BATES: Hi, Adam.

00:16:31:10 - 00:16:35:04

Could you just introduce yourself

and say what you do here at Kelvingrove?

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ADAM KENNEDY: Hi there. My name's Adam Kennedy.

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I am one of the duty managers at Kelvingrove

and I deal with the day-to-day

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operations of the building.

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BRYONY BATES: So we're here to talk

about the Floating Heads,

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as they're often

known in the Expression gallery.

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So first of all, what do the Heads mean?

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ADAM KENNEDY: So the heads were specially designed

for us

00:16:55:17 - 00:16:59:16

during our major refurbishment

in 2003 to 2006

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as a way to balance the Spitfire

airplane display in the West Court.

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The heads are intended to imitate

the freedom of visitor's thoughts

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and ideas drifting from the Orchestreon

and at the center of the Expression court

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and to the perimeter galleries

above the idea for

00:17:15:14 - 00:17:18:15

the Heads was the brainchild

of Sophie Cave, a visual designer.

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She designed all of our refurbished

displays.

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I have a quote from her here as well.

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Here we go, she says, "We needed a visual "wow!" to match

00:17:27:01 - 00:17:30:05

the West Side it had to fill the space,

be visible

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and exciting from 360 degrees

and draw the visitors'

00:17:34:04 - 00:17:38:01

eye up, so that they become aware of the upper floor galleries.

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It's an unconventional

and playful solution

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and the public will love it or hate it!"

00:17:43:02 - 00:17:46:14

There were only four expressions created,

but when viewed en-masse

00:17:46:14 - 00:17:50:07

and at different angles, the appear

like so many more.

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The expressions are repeatedly represented

throughout

00:17:53:10 - 00:17:57:03

the installation

and 110 and total were produced

00:17:57:05 - 00:18:00:11

However, we'll keep secret how many are actually on display up there!

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That's something

we like to ask visitors to guess.

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And how do visitors react to the Heads?

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BTYONY BATES: Do they like them?

ADAM KENNEDY: Like quite a lot of things in this building.

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When you see visitors coming in here

for the first time, whichever galleries

00:18:13:12 - 00:18:17:05

they're going into, often

the reaction is to look up

00:18:17:05 - 00:18:20:15

and you see that

'wow!' in their face. With the Heads

00:18:20:15 - 00:18:24:11

specifically, a lot of young families

come to view them, you usually see parents

00:18:24:15 - 00:18:28:01

pointing at their Heads, asking

the children what expressions they see.

00:18:28:03 - 00:18:30:05

So there's quite often

cheerful reactions to them.

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I would say, as when you talk to visitors and you explain

00:18:34:05 - 00:18:37:23

that they're not necessarily an accessioned object artwork,

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they're part of the design that came with the refurbishment

00:18:41:11 - 00:18:44:16

of Kelvingrove and they realize it's more of an interior design.

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Let's see sort of the purists,

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if you like, maybe don't have such

a positive reaction to them.

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I suppose there's no reason really why.

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BRYONY BATES: What difference does it make

00:18:53:10 - 00:18:56:18

if it's an object as opposed to,

as you say, interior design?

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The thing itself is still.

It is what it is.

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ADAM KENNEDY: Yeah, that's right.

00:18:59:21 - 00:19:04:07

And I think they become iconic themselves -

a lot of the questions

00:19:04:07 - 00:19:07:22

we have when people come through the door,

one of the questions is

00:19:08:00 - 00:19:09:05

"Where are the Heads?"

00:19:09:05 - 00:19:12:10

You know, that is something

that people come to see maybe

00:19:12:10 - 00:19:15:19

sometimes more

than the wonderful artwork that we have.

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BRYONY BATES: And you said people ask to see The Heads.

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Is there anything else

people ask about them in particular?

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ADAM KENNEDY: Yeah, a lot of the time people ask, well,

the main one being how many are there?

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We usually flip that around

and ask the visitor how many of they think

00:19:30:01 - 00:19:30:20

there are.

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We don't necessarily

have an official answer.

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I've counted them myself

00:19:33:21 - 00:19:37:01

and I came up with 94,

and I think that's the official answer.

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We know that there was 110 made in total,

but not all are on display.

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But we quite like to keep that

part of a mystery and invite the visitor

00:19:45:23 - 00:19:47:10

to come and count them themselves.

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BRYONY BATES: How many do people guess?

ADM KENNEDY: People usually think there's over a hundreds,

00:19:52:17 - 00:19:53:24

I would say.

ADAM KENNEDY: Okay.

00:19:53:24 - 00:19:56:01

I mean, keep it an official secret,

00:19:56:01 - 00:19:57:08

You think it's 94...

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ADAM KENNEDY: The one other thing

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I'll say is what we also ask visitors

is "how many expressions

00:20:02:16 - 00:20:07:08

do you think there are?" - and they'll usually

come up with a number like 12 or 16.

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There's actually only four expressions

altogether.

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BRYOMY BATES: Yeah. I had that same experience myself.

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I thought they were all different,

which kind of seems ridiculous now.

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I think about it.

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They can't all be completely

different expressions.

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But yeah.

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Then someone told me, "oh, it's four!"

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And then when I looked at it,

I could see that.

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But it wasn't, it wasn't obvious.

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ADAM KENNEDY: One of

the other things that I like to point out,

00:20:31:03 - 00:20:35:00

although it's not an actual design

feature of the heads,

00:20:35:01 - 00:20:39:20

if you stand directly underneath them

and look up, they look like flying pigs!

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And I always love pointing

00:20:40:20 - 00:20:44:16

that out to visitors

and seeing the reactions that you get.

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Quite often

there's just this look of confusion

00:20:46:16 - 00:20:50:03

and then that's followed by a giggle.

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DAVID SCOTT: Okay, this week we're all about

Kelvingrove Museum and Art Gallery.

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Let's take a quick

look back at where we have been so far.

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We started off talking about

this much loved museum itself.

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Next, we talked about Salvador

Dali and his iconic Christ of

00:21:03:12 - 00:21:06:19

Saint John of the Cross painting,

before heading into the East Court

00:21:06:19 - 00:21:09:17

and getting expressive

with some Floating Heads.

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For our last piece this week

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we're staying with expression.

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Sanjeev, you've chosen Glasgow Museums'

Annual Art Competition as our final item

00:21:16:24 - 00:21:19:15

this week. Is this something

you entered as a child?

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SANJEEV KOHLI: Yeah, my memory,

I think I entered it twice - I must have been somewhere

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between the ages of eight and 12.

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A couple of the best days

of my life, actually.

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The idea was, was that you get picked

from your class at school

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and you would come to Kelvingrove

and just pick something to draw.

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And it was always

one of my favourite days of the year.

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I mean, the thing was

I wasn't a particularly good drawer.

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I think that's probably fourth or fifth,

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fifth best in my class, but that's quite a big drop from fourth to fifth.

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Also, the idea that you'd be mixing with kids from other schools

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was lovely and there was generally a girl I would fancy as well from Fernhill.

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It kind of summed up the

the ethos of the museum, which is "kids

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are welcome!"

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to think that a museum would actually open its doors to the schools of Glasgow,

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but that tells you the story

of what the Kelvingrove is.

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And in my memory, I think I came twice.

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I think both times I picked the wildlife.

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I think I picked like a beaver

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and some second time

I picked some kind of bird

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and it was just a lovely, lovely morning

because I was a very academic kid

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and that felt like a real day away

from that.

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In one of my favourite buildings in the world.

DAVID SCOTT: Running for 120 years,

00:22:29:14 - 00:22:34:02

our annual art competition is open

to all children aged 3 to 18.

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Let's catch up with Michael

and Carolyn to find out more.

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CAROLYN FORAN: My name is Carolyn Foran,

and I'm the Museum's Education Officer,

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and my role is to oversee our are programs

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and projects for schools and nurseries

and college groups.

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MICHAEL MACKINNON: Carolyn, can you tell us

00:22:50:08 - 00:22:53:04

a bit about the Glasgow Museum's

Annual Art Competition?

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CAROLYN FORAN: Yes, the art competition has been running

since 1904.

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The competition remains the same

as it did back then.

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It's about young people coming in to the museum to paint or draw things on display.

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It's open to children

aged 3 to 18 years old

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and they can take part either

through their school group

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or they can take part in their own time

as well.

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And really the main

aim of the competition is to encourage

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young people to visit museums,

but also to enhance their drawing skills

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through giving interesting things

to inspire them, things that they wouldn't

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get to see every day and things

that they might not have in class to draw.

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MICHAEL MACKINNON: That sounds brilliant.

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And what type of artwork do we receive?

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CAROLYN FORAN: People draw a wide range of different things on display,

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but things are always popular

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include the animals, sculpture.

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Natural history collections feature

quite a lot.

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Most of the drawings are done by pencil

or by pastel and crayons, but we do get some

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who come and paint and that's great

because it's really exciting to see someone

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who's brought along

paints to the gallery and drawn

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and painted in-situ.

MICHAEL MACKINNON: can you tell me a bit

00:23:59:20 - 00:24:02:09

about the judging process

for the competition.

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CAROLYN. FORAN: So we saw all the artworks

into age categories and lay them all out

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and then our judges come in

usually round about the first week in June

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to pick their, their favourites

of the drawings that have caught their eye.

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In terms of the judges -

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we usually have a contemporary artist.

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We also sometimes have curators or people

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involved in learning or museum education.

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We've had some quite well-known names.

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For example, the artist Stephen Campbell, was a judge in previous years,

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so we've had a whole host

of different people coming along.

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And recently, for the past two years, we've been trying

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to reestablish the partnership with the Glasgow School of Art,

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who were involved right at the onset of the competition back in 1904.

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So for the past two years

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we've had a judge from the Glasgow School of Art as part of our judging panel.

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So they are

then tasked with a very difficult process

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of choosing within each age category

bronze, silver and gold medal winners.

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And they also select

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runners-up in the forms of commended

and highly commended as well.

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MICHAEL MACKINNON: And in terms of your time working on the project,

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are there any memorable moments

that stick out to you?

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CAROLYN FORAN: I think memorable moments

tend to be things

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like we had a judge recently

in about 2017, Marion Gardyne,

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and it was a nice story because we invited her as a

judge, because she is an artist

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and also has always been

a strong supporter of museum learning.

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But. Marion it turns out

and I didn't know it when I approached

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her to be a judge, had actually won herself

in the 1960s as a child!

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She'd taken part and won a bronze medal.

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She then went on to pursue a career in art

and in teaching, and then as a teacher,

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brought her children into the museum,

her pupils, and some of them won medals.

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And there she was,

full circle coming back and being a judge.

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So it really is

something that people really remember

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taking part in and even more so if they've won.

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So I think what's special for me

is hearing these stories from people

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when they're older,

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but they're coming back to me

and they're saying, "oh, I

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remember taking part, or I remember what I drew, or I won a medal and I've still got it!"

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And actually quite a few of our winners

have gone on to pursue careers

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in the arts.

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You know, it really does

inspired, encourage young people to go on

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and pursue arts either as a profession

or just as a hobby.

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MICHAEL MACKINNON: It's great to hear it

being a real platform for people as well.

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That's fantastic.

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CAROLYN FORAN: It's a wee bit different from

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other competitions

where you can just draw home and send it in

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and also it's different

because so much of what that age group,

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especially the teenagers, are consuming,

as is digital imagery and digital media.

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So it's quite nice to come in

and just take your time and slow down

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and look at something on display,

really look in depth at something

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and then do a detailed drawing over

and the teacher say the children.

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I've never quieter than they are when they

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take part

in the competition,

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so they seem to be quite engrossed

in their work.

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MICHAEL MACKINNON: So many people would want to see their artwork displayed

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in Kelvingrove, alongside such prestigious work,

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- it must be such a buzz

for the people that get their work displayed

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CAROLYN FORAN: Yeah, even just at the prizegiving, when they come along to get their medals

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You can see they're really proud.

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They usually have

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friends or family along with them and we really make it quite a special affair,

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the prizegiving - it's quite a...

it's held in Kelvingrove's Centre Hall.

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We have the judges back

along to present the medals

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as well as the Friends of Glasgow Museums who fund the competition.

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They come along and help

with the medal ceremony as well,

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and then the works go on display

and Kelvingrove museum.

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And I do joke to them

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and I say, you

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know, there's plenty of well-known

artists out there

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that would love to have

the works on display.

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So, it's really something for them.

And we try to make them look good.

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We want their artworks to be properly displayed.

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MICHAEL MACKINNON: It's been really nice learning a bit more about the competition - Carolyn, thank you.

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DAVID SCOTT: That's it for this episode of Curious City!

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Huge thanks to Sanjeev Kohli

for being my curious guest this week.

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SANJEEV KOHLI: It's been a real pleasure.

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I will sing from the rooftops, literally,

if you'll let me about.

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this place is very, very close to my heart

and I think it's an absolute

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jewel in Glasgow's crown!

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DAVID SCOTT: We've been in Kelvingrove this week,

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sharing our love for this special place.

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We talked Salvador Dali, got expressive

with some Floating Heads and closed up

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with our Annual Art Competition.

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In our next episode...

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we'll be hearing a little bit of this...

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See you next time,

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on Curious City.