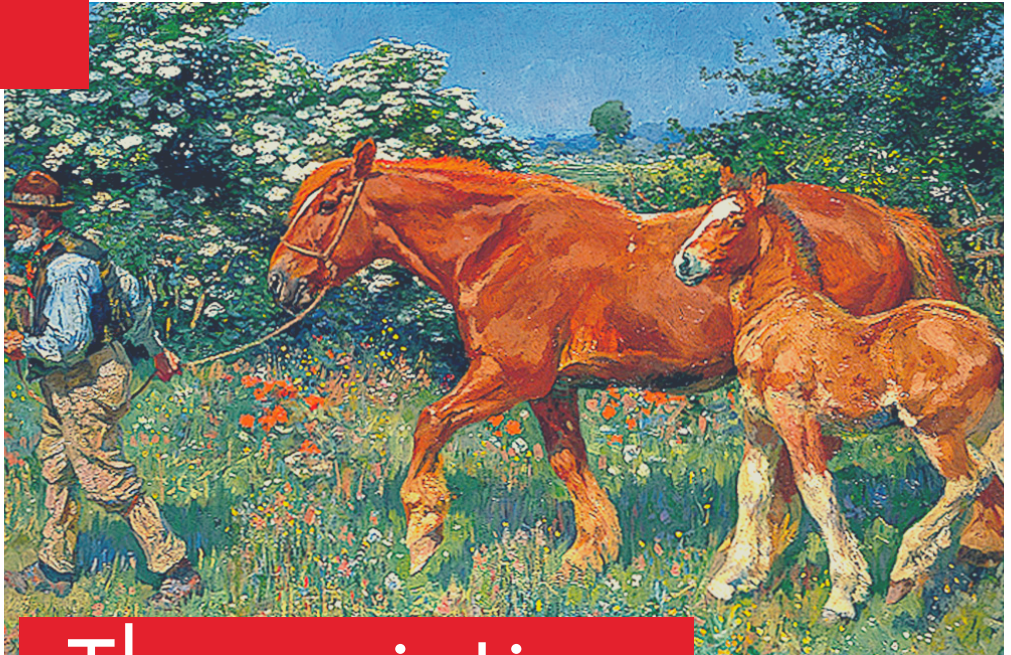


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The artist

Alfred Munnings was born in 1878 in Mendham, Suffolk. He studied at the Norwich School of Art. During World War One, he became an army horse trainer and also went to France as an official artist. He received a knighthood in 1945. He died in 1959 in Dedham, Essex.



The painting

This painting is called 'Sunny June' and is one of Alfred Munnings' earliest paintings. He painted it in 1901 using oil paints and it is currently on display at Norwich Castle Museum and Art Gallery.

Munnings loved riding and painting horses. In this painting, a mare and foal are led through a meadow bursting with blossoming wildflowers, and an elder bush is in full bloom behind. The sky is the vibrant cornflower blue of sunny summer days. Leading the mare is a man called James Norman, who worked for Munnings for many years.

Talk together

- Describe the scene.
- Talk about what to wear when the weather is warm
- Discuss whether you'd want to go there and why
- Share ideas about what you might be able to hear if you were in the picture



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Get counting



How many beach huts can you count?
Which one is your favourite?



Ideas for home

ART: Go for a nature walk and collect leaves, sticks, stones, etc and arrange to create your own nature picture. You could glue them onto paper or rearrange them to make different pictures.

SENSORY: Feel the different textures of summer around you like leaves, flower petals, grass and sand.

COOKING: Pour orange juice, squash or milkshake into paper cups (and add a lolly stick) or ice lolly moulds and place in the freezer for a couple of hours to make your own ice lollies.

DRAMA: Act out going to the beach. Lay out a towel to sit on, build sand castles, eat ice creams and sunbathe!

MUSIC: Sing 'The Sun Has Got His Hat On'.

