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□ SO successful was last year's series of public lectures in History of Art, presented by the Art History Department at Limerick School of Art & Design at the City Gallery, that City Arts officer, Sheila Deegan, believes that a similar series is a must for this autumn. Working closely with Pat McKenna, head of History of Art & Design at LSAD, together they have come up with an interesting and varied programme, details of which are as follows:

On Wednesday, October 14, Pat McKenna will begin the series with a lecture on self portraits by five major artists of the 17th century — Caravaggio, Rubens, Poussin, Velasquez and Rembrandt. This is a topic of particular interest for a city which houses the National Self-Portrait collection.

On Wednesday, October 21, Paul O'Reilly will speak about the City Gallery's permanent collection of art works which will be on view in its entirety throughout that week. The public will have a unique opportunity to see and hear about their local collection.

On Wednesday, October 28, Dr. Brian P. Kennedy, assistant director of the National Gallery of Ireland, author of *Chester Beatty and Ireland and Dreams and*

*Responsibilities: The State and the Arts in Independent Ireland*, will speak on the thinking and the work behind a major National Gallery show currently touring the US.

In her lecture on Wednesday, Nov. 4, Marian Lovett, LSAD, will look at the atmosphere in turn of the century Vienna and at work by artists and designers of the Viennese Secession, including Gustav Klimt, Egon Schiele, Josef Hoffmann and Otto Wagner.

On Wednesday, November 11, Louise Masterson, LSAD, will address the issue of meaning in works of art looking beyond the initial impression, to reveal layers of meaning in works by a variety of artists from Hogarth to Manet.

The last lecture of the current series, on Wednesday, November 18, will be given by Limerick city architect, Jim Barrett. He will speak on the design of Limerick city: its evolution and future. A topic of great interest to all of us!

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