

York Art Gallery

Je Pense's Reveal

The artist was.....

LS Lowry (1 November 1887 – 23 February 1976)

Laurence Stephen Lowry was born in Manchester. He lived there all his life.

Lowry began painting when he was 15 and he learned to paint in his spare time. He went to evening classes at art college for many, many years, so he was always surprised when people said he was 'untrained'.

When he left school Lowry went to work for a company which owned houses. One of his jobs was to collect rent from the people who lived in the houses (the tenants.) Lowry said that he enjoyed being out and about in the city and that he wanted to paint the things he saw

*"I'll always be grateful to rent collecting.
I've put many of the tenants in my pictures."*



LS Lowry *Clifford's Tower* 1953

