Fashion may not be the first thing that comes to mind when we think of deliberately increasing the physical space between us. In our latest blog, Curator Janna tells us how clothing has long served as a useful way to lessen close contact with others...

Why did the Victorians look so miserable in photographs?
The subject of day four is summed in this quote from Mark Twain: “A photograph is a most important document, and there is nothing more damning to go down to posterity than a silly, foolish smile caught and fixed forever.” The Victorians took photography very seriously.
Smiles... See More
Our visitors said they looked forward to:

“Being in a public, but relatively quiet place where I can be among others but not feel overwhelmed”

“Getting out and about in a safe environment”

“Walking round the gallery on my own, appreciating the art”

“Helping to take my thoughts to another place”

They expected:

- Information about what measures are in place
- Contactless payments
- Clear route through the Gallery
- Regular cleaning of toilets and other touch points
- Lift limited to one person or household
- Friendly staff

How are you feeling about visiting Aberdeen Art Gallery again?

We’re getting ready to welcome visitors back to the Art Gallery. As well as following official guidance, it’s also important for us to hear what you, our visitors, think. By completing this survey you are helping us to make sure that the visitor experience will be safe, relaxed and enjoyable for everyone. The survey will be open until Wednesday 12 August at 5pm.

When you submit your completed survey we’ll enter you in a free prize draw for a £25 voucher to spend in the Gallery shop - a little bonus for your first visit back!

[Complete the Survey here]
Photos of life in lockdown
“What an amazing experience it was yesterday, so well orchestrated and run with social distancing and safety measures in place for the public, we felt so welcomed and the Artwork was breath taking, we strongly advise a trip to go have a look for yourself.”