

Step into the Tullie House landscape



Outside in: Visual arts officer Fiona Venables in front of *Blue Forest Stream*, an acrylic by Masakatsu Kondo, part of the contemporary landscape painting exhibition, *Picturesque*, which runs until March 16 at Tullie House

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MORE than 1,000 art lovers have flocked to Tullie House in Carlisle so far to see an exhibition which aims to alter the way we look at landscapes.

The exhibition, called *Pic-*

turesque, opened on January 11 and has brought together eight leading contemporary artists including Matthew Dalziel, Louise Scullion, John Goto and Nicky Hodge. Their work

explores the influence of tourism, mass media, history and art upon our appreciation of the countryside.

Tullie House curator Fiona Venables said: "We have had

quite a few students, which is encouraging and comments have been very favourable." Visitors have described the show as "superb" and "thought provoking". It runs until March 16.