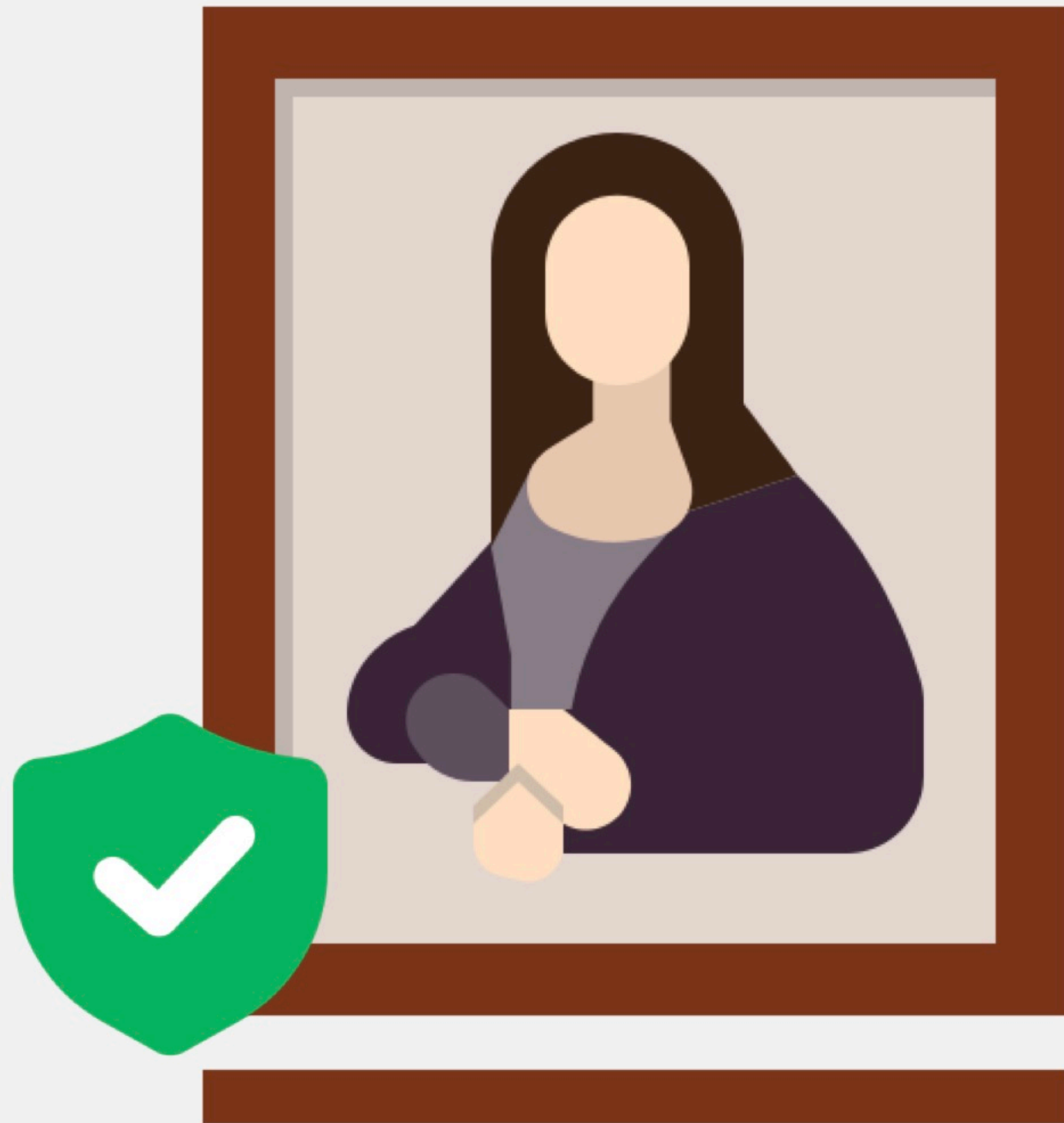


Preserving Cultural Heritage

What we can do?



Mindful purchase

Exercise caution when buying cultural items. Always verify their origin and provenance, especially if they may come from conflict zones.



Use LEA's Resources



LEA's resources, such as the Stolen Works of Art Database of INTERPOL, are powerful tools. Check every object's status to ensure they are not linked to theft or illegal activities. Access is usually open to the public, so take advantage of it.

Create detailed inventories

Maintain comprehensive inventories of your collections. Include photographs and precise descriptions of each object. This not only aids in identification but also facilitates recovery in case of theft.



Demand documentation

Refuse to purchase cultural items lacking proper documentation about their origin. Responsible acquisition helps curb the trade of illicit artifacts.

Enhance visibility

Make cultural objects easily identifiable. This deters theft and aids in the recovery process if items are stolen.



Secure collections premises

Implement robust security measures to safeguard the premises where cultural collections are housed. A secure environment is crucial in preventing theft.



Prompt reporting

In case of theft, report it immediately to the police or relevant law enforcement authorities. Provide a comprehensive list of stolen items along with photographs to aid in their recovery.

