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ARTS & CRAFTS.....AND SCULPTURE

Sculpture Trail to return to Standen House, 6th June to 2nd July 2023

This summer, the Surrey Sculpture Society are delighted to host their second sculpture trail at the National Trust's Standen House in East Grinstead, West Sussex. This fully accessible sculpture trail will be open every day from 6th June to 2nd July from 10am to 5pm. Entry is included within the ticket price.

Alison Catchlove, the Society's Exhibition Manager for the event commented:

"We are thrilled that the National Trust have invited us to create a sculpture trail at Standen House and Garden again this year. Allan Mackenzie will be the lead designer. The grounds at Standen are beautiful and it's a joy to work closely with the garden team to create an exciting and vibrant sculpture trail for the National Trust visitors to enjoy. The Surrey Sculpture Society prides itself on displaying a wide range of sculpture styles and disciplines so that there is something for everyone. Our stewards will be on duty throughout the exhibition to take sales and chat to visitors about sculpture."

Standen House, is one of the finest examples of Arts & Crafts architecture and interior design in the country. Built in 1894 within an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty, the house itself has the look and feel of a comfortable country family home. It boasts Morris & Co interiors and is dressed for a weekend stay in 1925. All the sculptures be for sale, allowing the public to buy signature outdoor pieces from a talented array of artists.

"Standen National Trust are delighted to welcome Surrey Sculpture Society back to Standen for their second exhibition within our beautiful and eclectic gardens.

The sculptures will sit perfectly within the wide variety of garden spaces at Standen, ranging from contemplative and inspiring spaces, through romantic wooded walks to stunning viewpoints. Standen has a history of embracing creative design and we are excited to showcase the work of so many talented local sculptors for our visitors to enjoy."

Dee Ball, Senior Programming and Partnerships Officer, Standen.

As well as the more formal areas of the garden there are fields, woodlands, and a natural play area to explore, as well as the Barn Cafe and National Trust shop.

For up-to-date information on ticket prices and opening times visit -

www.nationaltrust.org.uk/standen-house-and-garden

For more information on the Surrey Sculpture Society visit - www.surreysculpture.org.uk

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IMAGES:

Click on this Dropbox link below for a full range of images of SSS sculptures and the National Trust's Standen House:

<https://www.dropbox.com/sh/c3zaklmgihpst0e/AABudej8Z60FmN9UEZGBieYVa?dl=0>

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Background to Surrey Sculpture Society The Society was created over 25 years ago by fourteen local sculptors. The Society has since grown into an organisation with over 250 members spread across the South East of England and further afield. We welcome both professionals and talented amateur sculptors.

The Society stages major events annually in prestigious venues across Surrey and Sussex including the Savill Garden in Windsor Great Park, Ramster Gardens, the National Trust property - Standen House, Leonardslee Lakes & Gardens, the Landmark Arts Centre, Teddington and West Horsley Place. Previous exhibition venues include RHS Wisley, Beaulieu, RHS Hyde Hall and the National Trust property at Hatchlands.

We have an exciting and varied Education programme for our members and are proud to sponsor the next generation of sculptors at UCA Farnham.