

Press Release

Surrey Sculpture Society returns to The Savill Garden for annual 'Art in the Garden' Exhibition

Marrying the vibrant colours of autumn with an equal variety of sculpture has become an annual event at The Savill Garden, one of Britain's finest ornamental gardens. Its 35 acres of gardens are perfectly sited within the boundaries of Windsor Great Park and can be found at Englefield Green on the Surrey/Berkshire borders.

This year, the annual Art in the Garden Exhibition runs from **21st September until 1st November** and will feature 45 artists exhibiting over 60 sculptures, all set off perfectly by the stunning seasonal highlights which the gardens have to offer.

This internationally renowned Garden is known to delight everyone from the seasoned horticulturalist out to spot a rare plant or two, through to families just wanting to relax in the beautiful, tranquil surrounds of the many interconnected gardens and woodland glades. The accessible sculpture trail, which starts in the award-winning Savill Garden Visitor Centre and meanders across much of the Garden, will feature a wide range of sculpture in a variety of materials. All are available for sale throughout the exhibition.

Nick Baker, Surrey Sculpture Society Chairman commented:

" We are delighted to be partnering with the team at The Savill Garden to stage what has become an annual highlight in our calendar. It would be hard to improve on the gardens themselves, however, yet again the team have devised a new and intriguing trail allowing the sculptures and landscape to complement each other beautifully. We are thrilled to be able to showcase our artists' work to the public in such a prestigious and welcoming venue."

Dawn Conn, Surrey Sculpture Society's Trail Designer says:

'Art in the Garden' is a celebration of outdoor sculpture. I have been privileged to design this curated event that prides itself on showcasing and selling unique sculptural pieces in this beautiful outdoor setting. I am excited to present the huge diversity of materials and mediums used in the sculptures: from stone to bronze, jesmonite to glass, mosaic to metals, rubber to resin, along with an increased focus on sustainability using more reclaimed timber, up-cycled metal and recycled bronze.

Art in the Garden 2022 will bring over 60 sculptures together, many of which have been created specifically for these amazing gardens. Visitors can expect the traditional and the experimental, from moving and thought-provoking to dainty and bold pieces. We hope to take you on a journey of discovery and enjoyment.

Michelle Cleave, Supervisor of The Savill Garden commented:

"It has been very exciting to work with the Surrey Sculpture Society again, displaying an engaging collection of sculpture in the Garden. The sculpture has been sensitively placed within this beautiful garden landscape and is an inspiration for the visitor"

The Savill Garden is located at Wick Lane, Englefield Green, TW20 0UU

For further information on The Savill Garden entrance, opening times and booking tickets on-line visit:

<https://www.windsorgreatpark.co.uk/en/experiences/the-savill-garden>

Admission to the Sculpture Exhibition is included in entrance to The Savill Garden.

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Surrey Sculpture Society

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IMAGES OF SCULPTURES:

DROPBOX LINK TO A RANGE OF HIGH RES IMAGES:

<https://www.dropbox.com/sh/6ryzoad7gz9nuit/AAC2AXp-cs6lJF60pSGbeoS9a?dl=0>

Click on the above Dropbox link to access a selection of images of some of the sculptures that will be on display.

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Notes and Background information for Editors

About Surrey Sculpture Society:

From small beginnings as a group of just fourteen sculptors, the Surrey Sculpture Society has grown into a major force, now attracting considerable interest from the media and been featured on the BBC Radio & TV and across the arts, gardening and regional media.

The SSS has over 250 members spread across the South East of England and further afield across the UK, encompassing both professionals and talented emerging sculptors. It aims to promote interaction between sculptors, to organise exhibitions and to encourage an appreciation of sculpture.

The society stages major events in prestigious venues including RHS Garden Wisley, RHS Garden Hyde Hall, Beaulieu, Standen House, Ramster Gardens, The Landmark Arts Centre, Leonardslee Lakes and Gardens and other renowned locations.

About The Savill Garden:

No trip to Windsor Great Park is complete without a visit to The Savill Garden. Sir Eric Savill first created this woodland garden in the 1930's and since then many others have undertaken a tireless quest to add their own expertise and creativity to The Savill Garden, pushing the boundaries of its design. The garden team is continually refreshing and renewing the plantings, displays and landscaping.

Visitors can explore eight distinct gardens across 35 acres to discover rare plants and stunning seasonal displays. They can have a bite to eat at the Savill Garden Kitchen or treat themselves to a cream tea in The Gallery Café. The Gift Shop and Plant Centre offers a wide range of tempting garden inspired gifts, seasonal goods and plants grown in the Royal Gardens.