



Surrey
Sculpture
Society



WINDSOR GREAT PARK
The Savill Garden

Press Release

The Savill Garden hosts Surrey Sculpture Society's Autumn Sculpture Exhibition

The Surrey Sculpture Society is looking forward to rounding off their 25th Anniversary year with a major exhibition at 'The Savill Garden' at Englefield Green, near Egham, Surrey. The 35 acre gardens are located at the Crown Estate within the boundaries of Windsor Great Park. The sculpture event will open on **25th September and run until 24th November**, three weeks longer than the Society's exhibition at 'The Savill Garden' last year.

Henriette van der Does, Chair of the Surrey Sculpture Society commented:

"The SSS is delighted to be asked to return to 'The Savill Garden' at the Crown Estate to present our Society's sculpture event for the second year running. We are also pleased to offer visitors an extended exhibition with 64 pieces this year. The beautifully maintained garden with the vibrant autumn colouring and intimate spaces offers our design team a varied background to set off the various styles, forms and materials of sculpture in the best possible way. The meeting between art and nature I find magical and we will manage to make magic again at 'The Savill Garden'. I can only recommend everyone go and see the show. All work is for sale but just enjoying the exhibition will be uplifting."

The event will feature sculptures created by members of the Surrey Sculpture Society, who range from new and emerging sculptors to internationally acclaimed sculptors from across the South of England. They have produced affordable and original sculptures made from a wide range of materials that can form eye-catching focal points in gardens, conservatories and interiors. All works will be for sale during the event.

Visitors to the gardens will discover over 64 sculptures carefully positioned throughout various areas including the Hidden Gardens, Spring Wood, Summer Gardens, New Zealand Garden, Summer Wood, The Glades, Autumn Wood and the Winter Beds. Further sculptures will be on display in The Queen Elizabeth Temperate House and inside The Savill Building. The works of art will complement the many unusual plants and trees from across the globe.

John Anderson, Keeper of the Gardens in Windsor Great Park commented:

"It is a special year to be hosting the Surrey Sculpture Society, as they celebrate their 25th anniversary, and we have decided to extend the duration of the displays in The Savill Garden after the great success of the exhibition in 2018. We invite our regular visitors and new audiences to come to experience this combination of artistic and horticultural excellence in one of the most beautiful gardens in the country."

The sculpture exhibition will be designed by SSS sculptor, Denise Jaques, who will be collaborating closely with The Savill Garden's Michelle Cleave and Heather King on the positioning of the sculptures.

Michelle Cleave, Supervisor of The Savill Garden commented:

"It has been very exciting to work with the Surrey Sculpture Society again, in realising 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 creative eye."

As part of The Savill Garden's Art in the Garden season there will also be paintings from amateur artists from Windsor Art Group exhibited in The Savill Building visitor centre.

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

The exhibition opens from 25th September - 24th November 2019

Opening times – 9.30am to 6pm daily. Last admission at 5pm.

Winter opening times from 1st November - 9.30am to 4.30pm daily. Last admission at 3.30pm.

Admission to the Sculpture Exhibition is included in entrance to The Savill Garden: Savill Garden entrance fees are as follows -

Adult: £11, Children (0-4 years): FREE when accompanied by an adult, Children (5-15 years): £4 per person, Groups of 10+: £9 each (Free ticket for group organiser 11th person in the group), Carers: FREE.

FROM 1st November

Adult: £6, Child (0-4 years): FREE when accompanied by an adult, Child (5-15 years): £2 per person, Groups of 10+ £4 each (Free ticket for group organiser 11th person in the group), Carers: FREE.

Car Parking: Free with your Garden Ticket

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

Facebook: [@SurreySculptureSociety](https://www.facebook.com/SurreySculptureSociety) Twitter: [@SurreySculptors](https://twitter.com/SurreySculptors)

For The Savill Garden visit www.windsorgreatpark.co.uk/art

Windsor Great Park social media channels.

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DROPBOX LINK TO A RANGE OF HIGH RES IMAGES:

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See Artist's List 2019 in the above Dropbox for the full range of images of sculptures that will be on display and description of each piece - title and sculptor's name.

For more information on this press release, further images or to arrange interviews with sculptors, please contact: Lynda Lawrence, Publicity for the SSS, on 01420 87489 or email: lynda@lyndalawrence.co.uk

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Notes for Editors:

About Surrey Sculpture Society:

From small beginnings a group of just fourteen sculptors living in Surrey 25 years ago – the Surrey Sculpture Society has grown into a major force, now attracting considerable interest from the media and been featured on the BBC Radio 2 Arts Show, on BBC One TV and across the arts, gardening and regional media.

The SSS now 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, Guildford Cathedral, Fulham Palace, The Landmark Arts Centre and other renowned locations.

About Windsor Great Park:

Sweeping historic parkland, award-winning gardens, ancient woodland and forest trails – there is something for everyone at Windsor Great Park

With thousands of acres to explore visitors are never short of something to do if escape and fun is high on their to-do list. With a Royal history spanning over 1,000 years, they can encounter historical monuments, ancient forests and stunning horticultural displays, as well as rare wildlife, plants and fungi.

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.

Here are just some of the fun things that visitors can do when they visit The Great Park:

- Visit one of our outstanding Gardens. Each has its own distinctive feel, bursting with colourful displays that transform over the season.
- Groups have a range of fantastic packages to choose from. Take a look here.
- For a hike, brisk walk or gentle stroll. There are many for visitors to choose from.
- The Great Park is a fantastic place to run and whether our visitors are beginners who need inspiration or a regular runner looking for a different challenge and a fresh experience, they are sure to find a route that's right for them.
- The Great Park welcomes well behaved dogs and owners. Take a look at our guidelines
- Carp fishing is available from two outstanding lakes. Find out more