



**BERKSHIRE GARDENS TRUST**  
**FORTHCOMING EVENTS**  
**PROGRAMME 2026**



## SPRING PROGRAMME

DETAILS FOR ALL EVENTS WILL BE SENT OUT TO ALL MEMBERS AND APPEAR ON OUR WEBSITE WITH A LINK TO BOOK VIA TicketSource OR CLICK ON:

<https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/berkshire-gardens-trust>

**TUESDAY 7TH APRIL 1.45PM: VISIT TO WINDSOR CASTLE *SOLD OUT***  
 Private visit to the gardens at Windsor Castle. Guided tour with Adam Scott Gardens and Nursery Manager for Windsor Castle and Bagshot Park.  
 £25 members / £28 non-members (including entrance).



With the kind permission of His Majesty The King and The Constable and Governor of Windsor Castle, we are very privileged to offer our third guided tour of the gardens at their spring best, with the Head Gardener at Windsor Castle, Adam Scott; taking in The Jubilee Garden, The Moat Garden and the newly created Venus Garden.

**WEDNESDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 10AM:**

**TALK AND VISIT TO SAVILL GARDEN *BOOKING NOW***

'A Garden for all seasons': talk by John Anderson, Keeper of the Gardens, followed by a guided visit to Savill Garden. £24 members / £27 non-member (includes pre-talk refreshments, parking and garden entrance) / Crown Estate Member price: £9.00 - Member card required (includes pre-talk refreshments). A joint event at the Savill Garden with Surrey Gardens Trust.





Caversham Court has a fascinating history. Despite the loss of the house, the garden and its listed walls and structures beside the river Thames survive. This is a Green Flag and Green Heritage Site award winning public park in the care Reading Borough Council supported by the Friends of Caversham Court.

**THURSDAY 27TH AUGUST 2PM: VISIT TO WATERPERRY GARDENS**  
 Inspired by Ursula Buchan's talk on Valerie Finnis in 2025 we will enjoy a guided visit to Waterperry with Rob Jones, Head Gardener.  
 £23 members / £26 non-members (including entrance).



Waterperry Gardens have been a source of inspiration and a gardener's delight for more than eighty years. Many of us have been to Waterperry but we will have an opportunity to hear about the wonderful progress made at the gardens in recent years and the splendour of the late summer/autumn plantings. Refreshments will be available to purchase at the café on site.

## AUTUMN AND WINTER PROGRAMME

### TUESDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2PM: VISIT TO ROYAL HOLLOWAY COLLEGE

Following Daniel Steel's excellent presentation in October 2024, we will enjoy a visit to the gardens guided by Daniel, conservationist, garden history and landscape manager, master arborist, and horticulturist.  
£12 members / £15 non-members.



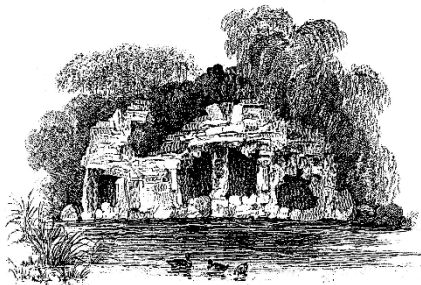
Royal Holloway University sits within 135 acres of beautiful parkland. The 130 year old historic buildings, including the stunning Founders Building, are surrounded by formal designed gardens mainly comprising shrubs and some large, ancient parkland trees. We will also visit the wider campus which includes less formal areas such as wildflower meadows, ponds and woodland which Dan and his team are managing for both their amenity value and the wildlife. Refreshments will be available to purchase at the cafés at the college.

### EARLY OCTOBER: AFTERNOON AGM AND TALK/VISIT

Final details to follow.

### TUESDAY 10TH NOVEMBER 7PM: ZOOM TALK

Landscape historian Sarah Rutherford will give an illustrated talk on the history of grottos including Ascot Place, Berkshire. £7 members and non-members.



Sarah is currently writing a book on Grottos in the UK to be published later this year. She has extensive experience as an author and researcher which she will bring to her illustrated talk. She will focus on the extraordinary grotto at Virginia Water, and that at Ascot Place, a private Grade II\* Registered Park and garden. **Zoom talks will be recorded unless otherwise stated.**