



RAMSTER HALL & GARDEN

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**Press release...**

**Surrey Sculpture Society showcases its latest creations at Ramster Garden this spring.**

Ramster Garden in Chiddingfold will be transformed with an array of stunning sculptures this spring by the Surrey Sculpture Society from 3rd May to 2nd June 2024. The sculpture trail will be held within the enchanting woodland garden, making it an unforgettable experience.

This event is a unique opportunity to discover a world of wonder and imagination through sculpture whilst exploring the renowned 25-acre Ramster Garden, home to a spectacular collection of rhododendrons and azaleas. Feast on a fantastic show of colour, unusual and rare plantings blended with some of the finest artist talent.

Around 100 sculptures created by professional and emerging sculptors will be exhibited and available for purchase. The pieces range from modern abstract to classical styles created from various materials, including ceramics, metal, glass, stone, wood, and bronze.

Rosie Glaister of Ramster Garden is thrilled to host the sculpture trail for the fourth consecutive year.

"The sculptures will be strategically placed along the woodland paths, creating an exciting and surprising experience for visitors at each twist and turn. Ramster Garden is renowned for its magical setting; therefore, the pieces of artwork fit wonderfully within the landscape."

Gill Lawson, the SSS Exhibition Manager for Ramster Garden 2024, commented:

"We are delighted to have been invited to exhibit at Ramster Gardens again this spring. It is such a lovely, accessible and inclusive garden, allowing us to show the wide variety of our members' sculptures off in all their glory! Exhibitors and visitors are always impressed at how well the gardens and sculptures complement each other. The timing is perfect with the flowering of the azaleas, rhododendrons and other spring flowers."

Visitors can purchase sculptures during the exhibition or by contacting Surrey Sculpture on 07895 376123 or [www.surreysculpture.org.uk](http://www.surreysculpture.org.uk).

Ramster Garden is open daily from 10 am to 5 pm from 23rd March 2024 and throughout the exhibition. Garden entry tickets include the sculpture trail. Visitors can

enjoy free car parking and delicious cakes, sandwiches, snacks, and drinks from the Tea House. Additionally, seasonal garden membership is available for those who wish to visit regularly.

### **Entry prices to Ramster Garden 2024**

- Adults: £9
- Group rate 15+ people: £8.50 (Group visits pre-booking required)
- Children 5-16 years: £3
- Under 5 years: free (an adult must accompany children)
- Registered disabled: £4.00 (carer free)

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For more information on the Surrey Sculpture Society, please visit [www.surreysculpture.org.uk](http://www.surreysculpture.org.uk)

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### **Notes for the editor**

Images: High-res images of Ramster Garden and sculptures:

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**About Ramster Garden** - Ramster Hall and Garden has been in the same family for 100 years and is renowned for its spring and autumn colours. The history of the garden goes back to when Rams Nest, as it was then called, was bought by Sir Harry Waechter. He converted the farmhouse into an Edwardian country house and laid the foundations of the present garden from the oak woodland with help from Gauntletts of Chiddingfold, renowned for their interest in Japanese plants and ornaments. In 1922 the property was bought by Sir Henry and keen horticulturalist Lady Norman, who introduced many of the rhododendrons and azaleas for which the garden is famous today. In 1927 the garden was first opened for the National Gardens Scheme and has continued to open for this event every year since - The Queen's Norfolk Garden, Sandringham is the only other garden that shares this distinction.

**About Surrey Sculpture Society** – The Society was created 30 years ago by fourteen local sculptors. It 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. Surrey Sculpture Society stages major events annually in prestigious venues across Surrey and Sussex. Current and past venues include the Savill Garden in Windsor Great Park, Ramster Gardens, RHS Wisley, and numerous National Trust properties: Hatchlands Park, Standen House with an inaugural exhibition at Claremont Landscape Garden for 2024, Leonardslee Lakes & Gardens and West Horsley Place. The Society has an exciting and varied Education programme and is proud to sponsor the next generation of sculptors at UCA Farnham and UAL Wimbledon.