



RAMSTER HALL & GARDEN

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Press release...

**Ramster Garden to host a spellbinding sculpture trail by Surrey artists.**

**Ramster Garden in Chiddingfold, Surrey, one of the region's most celebrated spring gardens, will be home to an outstanding collection of sculptures from the Surrey Sculpture Society from 2nd May to 1st June (10 am - 5 pm). This is an event not to be missed for art enthusiasts, garden lovers and families.**

The artist's trail, curated by the Surrey Sculpture Society, takes you through the woodland garden and its breathtaking collection of rhododendrons and azaleas to see an array of sculptures. This captivating event offers visitors a visual feast of artistry, flowers, plants and stunning scenery.

At every twist and turn, there are hidden surprises as the winding paths lead you to modern and classical sculptures integrated with the landscape. The sculptures, created from a mix of materials, offer richness in texture, colour and whimsical humour. With such a variety, there is something to appeal to everyone.

The event offers a unique chance to see unusual and enchanting pieces of sculpture created by professional and emerging sculptors while enjoying Ramster Garden in its seasonal glory. Visitors can also purchase their favourite sculptures from the Surrey Sculpture Society, a renowned organisation that has been promoting and exhibiting sculpture in the region for over 30 years.

Surrey Sculpture Society Exhibition Manager, Gill Lawson is delighted to return to Ramster Garden for a fifth year:

"Ramster Garden is the perfect setting to display sculpture because of its beautiful scenery and accessible woodland paths. The flowering of the azaleas and rhododendrons and the array of rare trees and shrubs add to the romance and drama of each piece. Every year, the collection fits seamlessly with its surroundings."

Rosie Glaister of Ramster Garden is looking forward to the event:

"This much-anticipated event has become a highlight of our events calendar with our regular visitors and also attracts new audiences to the garden. The sculptures are incredibly imaginative and bring a smile to many faces; they add to the overall charm of the garden and visitor experience."

Ramster Garden is open daily **from 10 am to 5 pm from 22nd March 2025** and throughout the exhibition. Garden entry tickets include the sculpture trail which has

an accessible route. Ramster Tea House serves a delicious menu including a range of fresh sandwiches, soups and quiches as well as cakes. Seasonal garden membership is available for those who wish to visit regularly. Free parking.

To learn more about the Surrey Sculpture Society or purchase a sculpture, please visit [www.surreysculpture.org.uk](http://www.surreysculpture.org.uk).

For more information about Ramster Garden, Petworth Rd Chiddingfold Surrey GU8 4SN, please visit [www.ramsterevents.com](http://www.ramsterevents.com).

Ramster Garden entry prices 2025.

- Adults: £10
- Group rate 15+ people: £9.50 (pre-booking required for group visits)
- Children 5-16 years: £3 (children must be accompanied by an adult)
- Under 5 years: free
- Registered disabled: £5

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**About Ramster Garden** - Ramster Hall and Garden has been in the same family for over a 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 charity every year since - The King'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 Garden, 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.