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# SGD OPEN GARDENS 2011

The Best of British Garden Design, 1 May, 26 June and 25 September

Following on from the hugely successful London Garden Trail, the Society of Garden Designers has joined forces with the RHS to launch **Open Gardens** – a new series of national events for the summer of 2011. Last year, the London-only Trail attracted over 6,000 visitors and the Society is expecting strong visitor figures in every region this year. To tie in with the Society's 30th anniversary celebrations, Open Gardens will see

30 gardens (designed by registered members and fellows of the SGD) open across the UK, celebrating the best of British garden design over the past three decades. To show the gardens at their seasonal best, the Open Gardens events will take place on three Sundays through the year – 1 May, 26 June and 25 September – with different gardens open on each occasion.

Some of the Society's leading designer members are involved in the events including **Dan Pearson MSGD**, whose project for the Maggie's Centre in London is opening in June, **John Brookes MBE, FSGD**, who will be opening a residential garden designed for a private client, **Andrew Wilson FSGD**, whose New Rose Garden at Savill Gardens will be open as part of the event, and **Robin Williams FSGD** – one of the founders of the SGD – who will be



opening a client's private garden. These rarely-seen gardens, both private and public, will be open to visitors across England and Wales from Surrey in the south to York in the north. For gardeners and design enthusiasts it is an opportunity to see some of the most inspiring British gardens created in the last 30 years, and the chance to meet some of the professional designers who created them, along

with other SGD members in the region.

Open Gardens is one of a series of events to mark the Society's 30th anniversary celebrations this year. With an anniversary theme of '30 years and 3 minutes' the Society aims to expand on the theory that just three minutes' exposure to green space helps reduce stress and to explore how vital gardens and public spaces are for our quality of life – a subject that has long been appreciated, but has never before been so pressing.

#### Open dates:

**1 May** 2-6pm

**26 June** 2-6pm

**25 September** 12-4pm

The Open Gardens schedule is available on the SGD website.

#### Clockwise from top left:

A selection of gardens that will be on view over the summer, all from Society of Garden Designers members – here Lizzie Tulip, Andrew Wenham, Matthew Bell and Anne Keenan

## Participants

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Andrew Wenham MSGD  
Andrew Wilson FSGD  
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Anne Keenan MSGD  
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Charles Rutherford MSGD  
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Cheri La May MSGD  
Cheryl Cummings MSGD  
Chris Deakin MSGD  
Dan Pearson MSGD  
Denise Cadwallader MSGD  
Emma Plunkett MSGD  
Fiona Stephenson MSGD  
Helen Elks Smith MSGD  
Helen Taylor MSGD  
Ian Kitson FSGD  
John Brookes MBE, FSGD  
John Wyer MSGD  
Juliet Sargeant MSGD  
Lizzie Tulip MSGD  
Matthew Bell MSGD  
**Pat Fox MSGD**  
Peter Eustance MSGD  
Robin Williams FSGD  
Roderick Griffin MSGD  
Roger Webster MSGD  
Timothy Carless MSGD



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