



## Speakers

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### **CGS members giving talks**

#### **Camilla Anderson**

I'm based in Wirksworth and am happy to travel any distance although my fees are adjusted accordingly: up to one hour away is £85.00 plus 45p per mile; between one and two hours away is £100.00 plus 45p per mile; over 2 hours away is £150.00 plus accommodation and 45p per mile

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#### **Adam Alexander** - Speaker at our 2019 AGM

Talks about his vegetable hunting trips to exotic destinations.

3 Croes Bleddyn Cottages, Itton, Chepstow, NP16 6BN.

Email: [adam@theseeddetective.co.uk](mailto:adam@theseeddetective.co.uk) Tel: 01291 629079 or 07860 646613,

#### **Judy Berrow**

Talks include: Private Gardens for Public Enjoyment and Foundation of the NGS, with slides of Worcestershire gardens open for the NGS.

Tythe Barn House, Chaddesley Corbett, Worcestershire. DY10 4Q B

Tel: 01562 777014

#### **Bryn Bowles**

Currently having two talks - Help the Bees & Going for Gold.

35 Benedict Street, Glastonbury, Somerset, BA6 9NB Tel: 01458 834007

#### **Bob Brown** - Speaker at our 2010 AGM

Nurseryman with an interesting range of plants

Cotswold Garden Flowers, Old Barn, Station Rd, Fladbury, Worcestershire, WR10 2QW Email [info@cgf.net](mailto:info@cgf.net)

**Kathy Brown** - Speaker at our 2004 AGM

Award-winning garden writer The Manor House, Church Rd, Stevington, Beds

Email: [info@kathybrownwsgarden.com](mailto:info@kathybrownwsgarden.com) Tel: 01234 822064

Website: [www.kathybrownsgarden](http://www.kathybrownsgarden)

**Ursula Buchan** – Speaker at our 2011 AGM

Ursula is an award-winning gardening writer who gives talks on gardening, gardens and garden history. Church Cottage, Main Street, Glapthorn, PE8 5BE

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Website: [www.ursula-buchan.co.uk](http://www.ursula-buchan.co.uk).

**Sue Clarke**

National Collection Holder of *Geranium renardii* and *sylvaticum*s. (flowering in May/June).

Lives in Nantwich, Cheshire Gives Talks to groups in most areas, distance allowing

Email: [wrenburysue@gmail.com](mailto:wrenburysue@gmail.com) Tel: 07855 398803

**Stuart Dixon** - Speaker at our 2009 AGM.

Horticultural lecturer (retired) with restored 18th C. garden, wide range of talks.

Hebb's Farmhouse, 22 Stoke Bardolph, Nottingham, NG14 5HS.

Tel: 01159 870168

**Robert Edwards**

See his website for more details

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**Natalie Finch**

Rosemary, Rectory Hill, East Bergholt, Nr Colchester, Essex CO7 6TH

Tel: 01206 298241

**Maureen Flett**

Gardening For Health. Talks on all aspects of gardening for health, health benefits of gardening and gardening with disability

5 High Buildings, Warwick Bridge, Carlisle, Cumbria. CA4 8RP

Tel: 01228 586236

**Sally Gregson** - Speaker at our 2005 AGM

Nursery-owner of Mill Cottage Plants, The Mill, Lane, Wookey, Somerset BA5 1AP

Tel: 01749 676966

**Dr Richard Gulliver**

46, Woodlands Avenue, Hanwood, Shrewsbury.

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[mavisgulliver@googlemail.com](mailto:mavisgulliver@googlemail.com)

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**Lucy Hartley**

Designing a Border from Scratch I. Designing a Border from Scratch II

Designing a Border from Scratch III. Also available on Zoom for Talks

Living in Warwickshire - Web: [www.lucyhartleygardens.co.uk](http://www.lucyhartleygardens.co.uk)

**Jacqueline Iddon**

For talks, trips round her garden, teas and much more. See her website for further information

Hazelton, North Road, Bretherton, Lancashire, PR26 9AY

**Gordon Malt**

Talks on Climbing & Wall Plants, Silver Foliage Plants, Salvias & Ornamental Grasses, Herbaceous Plants, and Bulbs I Grow and Love. Garden open for groups by arrangement.

Shifnal, Shropshire, TF11 8RR Tel: 01952 411408.

**Janette Merilion**

Qualified professional garden designer, writer, historian & part-time lecturer.

69 Victoria St, Billingham, Lincoln LN4 4HQ. Tel: 01526 860270

**Ingrid Millington**

Runs a nursery of herbaceous plants. Talks include: Herbaceous perennials for the whole year; Primulas and auriculas; Propagation of herbaceous plants.

Hillview Hardy, Worfield Plants, Nr Bridgnorth, Shropshire, WV15 5NT  
Email: hillview@onetel.net Tel: 01746 716454

### **Dianne Nichol-Brown**

Holds largest National Collection of polemoniums in the UK.  
28 Sunnyside Terrace, Trimdon Grange, Trimdon Station, County Durham TS29  
6HF  
Email r.cooper738@btinternet.com

### **Helene Pizzi**

An American living in Rome. She has a range of illustrated lectures on cottage gardens, Italian International rose judge gardens, Ninfa, La Landriana and others.  
Viale a Magno 174, Casal Palocco, 00124 Roma, Italy.

### **Stephen Powles**

A passionate and award-winning wildlife photographer who often takes on the most challenging of subjects. He lives in Devon and has a particular interest in otters, tawny owls, hedgehogs and hornets and made three TV appearances.  
Talks available (Live or online with optional hosting)

Otters – Coming to a River Near You

Hammer Scar – Five Years Together

Tawny Owls – Coming to a Wood Near You

Hornets – Gentle Giants

Wildlife Photography - In Pursuit of the Improbable

Wildlife Photography - In Pursuit of the Improbable 2

Wildlife Photography – Tips and Experiences

Hedgehogs – In Need of Your Help

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### **Kevin Pratt**- Speaker at our 2003 AGM

Holds two National collections, Fritillaria and Eucomis; can speak on wide variety of unusual but obtainable plants  
Alcombe, 7 Bosden Fold Rd, Hazel Grove, Stockport, Cheshire SK3 9NR.  
Email [info@kevinpratt.co.uk](mailto:info@kevinpratt.co.uk) Tel: 0161 456 9009.

### **Andrew Sankey**

25 different talks relating to Cottage Gardens, Plant Hunters, Garden History topics etc. Please email for full list.

26 Mulberry Close, Cambridge, CB4 2AS.

Email: [andrewsankey747@btinternet.com](mailto:andrewsankey747@btinternet.com) Tel: 07709 909849

### **Maureen Sawyer**

Artist, garden designer and award winning gardener. Opens her garden 'Southlands' for the National Gardens Scheme. With a range of illustrated presentations related to horticultural planting, design and management.

Southlands, 12 Sandy Lane, Stretford, M32 9DA

Email: [moe@southlands12.com](mailto:moe@southlands12.com) Web: [www.southlands12.com](http://www.southlands12.com) Tel: 0161 283 9425

### **Zsuzsanna Serer**

Talks on herbs, her topics include their culinary use as well as how to preserve and propagate them. She also talks on Hungarian traditional gardening and herb uses and demonstrates making Christmas decorations. She gives talks with a 50 mile radius of Newport Essex.

Email: [sererzs@live.co.uk](mailto:sererzs@live.co.uk) Tel: 07875 035181

### **James Smallwood**

James has worked with multiple gold medal winning exhibitor Bill Lockyer at RHS Chelsea and other shows and at his nursery. He talks about his passion 'Growing auriculas for pleasure' which is illustrated with demonstrations and beautiful photographs. The talk includes information on history, botany and growing tips.

Grantham, Lincolnshire, NG32 3NA

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### **Tim Smith**

Illustrated talk: Plants and ideas for your garden.

28 Lowton Rd, Lytham St Annes, Lancs. FY8 3JG.

### **Carrie Thomas**

Over 20 topics, including: cottage gardening, attracting wildlife; growing from seed; unusual plants; aquilegias; the National Botanic Garden of Wales; gardens through the year, botany and Latin names. See her website for more information

Touchwood, 4 Clyne Cottages, Killay, Swansea, SA2 7DU  
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**David Toyne**

RHS Master of Horticulture, Horticultural Consultant and Lecturer. List of talks available on request.

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**Chris & Judy Yates**

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