



ROYAL WINDSOR FLOWER SHOW

Saturday 6 June 2026
York Club, Windsor Great Park

'Garden Makers' Competition

Dear Applicant

We are delighted to announce that the Garden Makers design competition at the **Royal Windsor Flower Show**, in partnership with Creepers Nursery, is back in its third year.

Seven designers will be selected to create inspiring, innovative gardens at the show. This opportunity is a brilliant platform to hone exhibiting and planting skills whilst impressing the 6,000 visitors that attend this prestigious event. Additional benefits include exposure to the press and the show's promotional activities, as well as mentorship and support from industry professionals.

The **Royal Windsor Flower Show** is a spectacular one-day event and a highlight of the horticultural year, showcasing stunning display gardens, floral exhibits, inspiring speakers and top UK nurseries, all set in the Windsor Great Park. This year, the central garden will be designed by Alan Williams of Landform Consultants, and the Master Gardeners Competition will showcase designs by Head Gardeners from Windsor Castle, the Savill and Valley Gardens, Waltham Place and Beth Chatto's Plants and Gardens. Nineteen of the country's premier nurseries will have stands at the show. For further details please visit our [website](#) and follow us on [instagram](#).

The theme of this year's show is "**Rooted in Nature**," inspired by the broader idea of harmony in nature and celebrating the profound connections between people, plants, and the planet. Your design will demonstrate strong horticultural knowledge, employ sustainable and regenerative principles and maximise the impact of a small space using strong layout, multifunctional features and a strong visual storytelling.

We hope that you will see this as a great opportunity to participate in a much-loved show that seeks to elevate the very best in horticulture and garden design.

Who can enter?

- Current design students
- Recent design graduates (3 years since completion of your course)
- Entries may be submitted by an individual, a pair or a team of designers.

Plant Supply

Your plants will be sourced from a wide palette of pre-determined stock plants from Creepers Nursery and delivered to the showground in time for planting on Friday 5th June, between 9am and 4pm. A bursary of £100 will be awarded to all successful applicants to go towards travel costs etc.

Size of plot

The beds are rectangular, 2.4m long and 1.5m wide with an interior planting space of 1.4m x 2.3m or 3.22sqm. Artifacts and props may be used.

Judging

Industry experts, Mark Gregory and Catherine MacDonald from Landform, along with Rob Ryall (MD) from Creepers Nursery, will judge your exhibits on overall impression against the theme set.

Awards

First Prize will be awarded the 'Creepers Challenge Cup' and £600 of spending money for your next project at Creepers Nurseries

Second Prize £250 of spending money at Creepers Nurseries

Third Prize £150 of spending money at Creepers Nurseries

Apply now!

Applying is quick and easy so please complete the [Garden Makers Application Form](#), by **Monday 16th March**. Allocations will be made and successful applicants notified by **Monday 23rd March**.

Successful applicants will be asked to submit detailed design documents, a concept statement, biography and image for social media and PR purposes, and a plan for relocating the garden after the show, by **Monday 20th April, 2026**.

Should you have any questions or issues regarding the application, please feel free to get in touch.

We look forward to receiving your application!

Kind regards

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