

## 3-5 May 2014 Penshurst Place & Gardens, Nr Tonbridge



## Weald of Kent Craft & Design Show celebrates its 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary!

The **Weald of Kent Craft & Design Show** is celebrating its 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary this year, taking place from the **3-5 May** at the stunning **Penshurst Place & Gardens**, nr Tonbridge. Visitors can join the festivities, shopping from a selection of handmade crafts from leading British artisans while listening to live music and enjoying a delicious array of fine food including strawberries and champagne or an afternoon tea.

Offering a beautiful range of bespoke items for the house and garden, over 250 craftspeople will offer something to suit all tastes with glassware, jewellery, clothes, paintings and much more.

Those looking for inspiration can interact with experts in the **Traditional Craft Demonstrations** including wire sculpting, pole lathe turning and hazel hurdle and spar making. The **Kids Bee Happy Sand Painting** will keep children amused for hours creating colourful pictures from sand, and families can get involved in the **Family Craft Workshops** offering fun and lively ways to decorate ceramics and make paper, or learn the art of wood turning and pencil making.

Gardening enthusiasts will love the stunning show garden from **Chilstone of Tunbridge Wells** and for those interested in more classical art, **Andrew Sinclair** from **The Sculpture School** will return with his

Sculpture Demonstrations, demonstrating traditional techniques with modern creativity and humour.

Head to the **Good Food Live** area to find a vast array of tempting treats in the **Specialist Food & Drink Marquee**, and watch guest chef Paul Da Costa Greaves as he prepares some delicious feasts at the **Live Cookery Demonstration Theatre**. With a bag full of ingredients and a head full of ideas you'll be able to treat family and friends to a new range of recipes.

Discover a special range of unique items from up and coming, newly qualified designers in the **Informed Design Graduate Marquee** and take home something that's not only new to you but new to the world!

Visitors young and old will love the **Birds of Prey Display** where two of the UK's most famous falconers and television presenters, Leigh and Jo Holmes from **The Hawking Centre** in Doddington, Kent, will show off hawks, owls and eagles in a lively demonstration with crowd participation.

For those looking for a full day out then why not visit **Penshurst Place and Gardens** before or after the show? For only £10 visitors can buy a special advance combined ticket which will allow entry to the craft show, the family manor house of Penshurst, built in the 14<sup>th</sup> century with a unique medieval Baron's Hall & Stateroom and the intimate Tudor Penshurst Walled Gardens. Guests can also enjoy the Garden Restaurant, Porcupine Pantry and Gift Shop, plus there is fun for all the family with access to the Penshurst Adventure Playground, Toy Museum and Woodland Trail.

Help the **Weald of Kent Craft Show** celebrate their 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary this **May Bank Holiday** and enjoy a fabulous day that is so much more than shopping. With music, excellent British food and crafts, and plenty of activities for the children this is a must-visit show for all the family.

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FACT FILE
Weald of Kent Craft & Design Show
Open 09.30 – 17.00 (Sat 17.30)
Tickets:
Adult £7.50 (Advance £5.50) Senior £6.50 (Advance £4.50)
Child under 16 free if acc by parent - otherwise £3
BUY 10 ADULT OR SENIOR TICKETS Get One Adult Free (In advance only)

## Combined Weald of Kent Craft Show & Penshurst House & Gardens

Adult and senior £10.00 (In advance only) Buy tickets online at <u>www.ichfevents.co.uk</u> or phone Ticket Hotline 01425 277988

For more information, pictures, COMPETITION TICKETS or press passes, please contact: Rachael Miles <u>rachael@onevoicemedia.co.uk</u> at One Voice Media or call 01392 278801

For group packages, prices and further information, please contact: Penshurst Place Head of Visitor Services <u>wendyw@penshurstplace.com</u> or call 01892 870307

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