

# carlow garden festival

Friday 25th July - Monday 4th August 2014

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carol klein of gardeners world
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leading garden designers
nature trails | garden visits
music and entertainment





For novice gardeners to garden connoisseurs, grandparents to grandchildren and family fun for all www.carlowgardentrail.com



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## carol klein at the woodford dolmen hotel



#### life in a cottage garden

Carol Klein will chronicle a year in her own Glebe Cottage Garden in Devon, as seen in the book and series "Life in a Cottage Garden", followed by a chance to pick her brains with Q&A's.

The Organisers are delighted to welcome Carol Klein to the Carlow Garden Festival for the first time. Carol is the popular presenter of "Gardeners World" and "Open Gardens" and author of many books

**Venue:** Woodford Dolmen Hotel, Kilkenny Road, Carlow **GPS:** 52.813953, -6.951482

Time: 7.30 p.m.

Adm: €24.50 Tickets available from Carlow Tourism t: 059 913 0411, Delta Sensory Gardens t: 059 914 3527 or Altamont Plant Sales m: 087 982 2135. All major debit and credit cards accepted.

### Woodford Dolmen Hotel special accommodation rates:

25th July: €50 pps B&B, €70 pps DB&B 2 course meal, with tea/coffee €18.50

dermot o' neill at arboretum home and garden heaven



#### ► 1: container gardening

Container plants add versatility to gardens large and small, lending instant colour and providing a focal point. If you would love to plant garden containers but don't know where to start, then Dermot O' Neill will introduce you to its basic principles including planting and best container options.

Time: 12 noon

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#### 2: low maintenance gardening

This workshop covers all the important aspects of summer gardening including watering, grooming and summer pruning, pest control and much more. With Dermot's valuable advice and tips you can ensure that your garden continues to look great from summer into autumn.

### 3: tour of the arboretum inspirational gardens

In a one hour tour of the Arboretum

Inspirational Gardens, Dermot O' Neill provides details of easy, low maintenance gardening schemes and solutions. A treat for the amateur or enthusiast who will enjoy seeing the themed planting, use of colour and texture. Time: 3.30 p.m.

Dermot O'Neill, author, presenter of RTÉ's "Dermot's Secret Garden" and editor of "Garden Heaven", is one of Ireland's best loved gardening experts.

**Venue:** Arboretum Home and Garden Heaven, Leighlinbridge, Co. Carlow **GPS:** 52.742832, -6.975890

Adm: FREE admission to all three workshops. Rachel's Garden Café is open for snacks, light lunches and main meals.

#### sunday 27th july

helen dillon at huntington castle and gardens



#### garden history

The history of gardening is explored in this lecture using the formal gardens of

Huntington Castle as a case study. View the 17th century parterre, ornamental lakes, fish ponds and Yew Tree Walk, one of the oldest in the country in the company of Helen Dillon, world renowned plants expert, broadcaster and garden author.

sunday 27th july

**Venue:** Huntington Castle and Gardens, Clonegal, Co. Carlow **Time:** 12 noon

**GPS:** 52.690404, -6.649131

**Adm:** €5. Tea rooms open for teas, light snacks and cakes. Tours of the castle available and children's playground open.

## helen dillon at newtownbarry house and gardens

### garden tour of newtownbarry house and gardens

Tour these charming gardens in the informative company of Helen Dillon, covering everything from the lake to the Rose Garden and onto the recently renovated 19th century sunken garden.

**Venue:** Newtownbarry House and Gardens, Bunclody, Co. Wexford

**GPS:** 52.65673, -6.65035

Time: 2.30 p.m.

**Adm:** €5. Tea rooms open for tea, coffee and homemade scones and cakes. House tours.



### monday 28th july

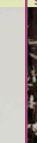
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### tuesday 29th july seamus o' brien at altamont

robin lane fox at hardymount gardens

tuesday 29th july





Seamus O' Brien will offer his unique insights into the enchanting Altamont Gardens. A gifted plantsman, O' Brien is Curator of the National Botanic Gardens at Kilmacurragh and author of "In the Footsteps of Augustine Henry" which took him on plant hunting expeditions across China, Nepal, California, Chile,

Venue: Altamont Gardens, Tullow, Co. Carlow

Australia and New Zealand.

**GPS:** 52.735129, -6.720966 Time: 11 a.m.

Adm: €5. Tea, coffee, lunch and snacks available in the on-site restaurant.

Join Paul Martin, Gold Medal Winner

RHS Hampton Court Palace Flower

Show, on a journey through the series

of multi-sensory gardens, including the

Celtic Walk, the formal Rose Garden,

the Five Senses Garden, the Circle of

Life, the Stolen Child Garden and his

own award-winning garden designed

Venue: Delta Sensory Gardens, Strawhall

Estate, Carlow, GPS: 52.844988, -6.924546

for Bloom (pictured below).

Time: 12 noon and 2.30 p.m





Stroll through these delightful gardens with herbaceous borders full of unusual plants, and onto the vegetable and fruit gardens and the great Spanish chestnut, accompanied by Robin Lane Fox. Fox is the Financial Times Garden Columnist, Garden Master of New College. Oxford and author of "Better Gardening" and "Thoughtful Gardening". Round off the afternoon with a sumptuous afternoon tea featuring all kinds of delicious home baked goodies and sandwiches on the lawn of Hardymount Gardens.

Venue: Hardymount Gardens, Tullow, Co. Carlow. **GPS:** 52.798787. -6.762269

Time: 2.30 p.m.



## kilgraney house & herb gardens

wednesday 30th july

ross hennessy & marina kesso at



#### 1: growing medicinal herbs with ross hennessy of blu herbal and bareroot botanicals

This workshop covers the sowing, propagation, cuttings, caring, harvesting, drying and seed saving of medicinal plants including unusual herbs that can be grown in Ireland. There will be demonstrations on each of these aspects and an overview of the medicinal uses of the plants throughout.

### 2: making herbal remedies with marina kesso of iona herbal

This workshop covers 3-4 different remedies that can be made at home from home grown medicinal plants and Irish wild plants. The medicinal properties and uses of the herbs will be discussed at length including common conditions they treat.

Venue: Kilgraney House and Herb Gardens, Kilgraney, Bagenalstown, Co. Carlow

**GPS:** 52.653691, -6.954276

Time: Talk 1: 2 - 4 p.m. Talk 2: 4 - 5.30 p.m.

Adm: €10 to include both talks

### thursday 31st july

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friday 1st august

## dick warner at newtownbarry

saturday 2nd august

june blake at burtown house



June Blake, creator of the exciting, varied and contemporary June Blake's Garden in Wicklow will escort you around the enticing gardens at Burtown which includes splendid herbaceous borders, shrubberies, a rock garden and a walled organic vegetable garden.
Venue: Burtown House, Athy, Co. Kildare GPS: 52.996672, -6.870744

Time: 12 noon Adm: €10 The Gallery Café serves tea, coffee, snacks and light lunches from seasonal homegrown produce.

## matthew jebb at altamont



The bewitching gardens of Altamont are the backdrop for a fascinating walk and talk led by Matthew Jebb, botanist, taxonomist and Director of the National Botanic Gardens. Matthew will point out many rare and unusual features associated with the gardens before finishing his talk at Altamont Plant Sales where he will pick out his top 10 plants which can be easily incorporated into your own garden.

**Venue:** Altamont Gardens, Tullow, Co. Carlow

**GPS:** 52.735129, -6.720966 **Time:** 2.30 p.m. **Adm:** FREE

The Walled Garden Café is open for tea, coffee and light snacks.

## art in the garden with gethyn gibson & kilgranev herb gardens



Take your pencils, pens and paints outside for an afternoon of exploration and sketching. Artist Gethyn Gibson is on hand to offer helpful advice and quide your brush and pen strokes. Event

unsuitable for children.Venue: Kilgraney House and Herb Gardens,

Kilgraney, Bagenalstown, Co. Carlow **GPS:** 52.653691, -6.954276 **Time:** 2 - 6 p.m.

Adm: Donation to charity welcomed

shirley lanigan at rathwood



Shirley Lanigan, garden journalist and author of "100 Best Gardens in Ireland", shares her extensive garden know-how in two enlightening workshops.

### 1: all year interest in the garden

Shirley gives new planting ideas for every corner of your garden to create year round interest while also providing all the information you need to keep your plants healthy. Pick up some new ideas and practical tips to ensure maximum impact and keep your garden looking its best all year round.

#### looking its best all year round.

2: golden rules for buying plants
Shirley introduces 10 golden rules for
plant and vegetable purchases focusing
on areas including soil composure,
repotting, planting, watering and plant

**grouping. Venue:** Rathwood, Rath, Tullow, Co. Carlow

**GPS:** 52.796597, -6.660739 **Time:** Talk 1: 12 noon Talk 2: 2.30 p.m. **Admission:** FREE. Country style restaurant with fresh, wholesome food and home baking. house and gardens



aspects of the natural habitat in lush woodlands and around the tranquil lake.

Venue: Newtownbarry House and Gardens, Bunclody. Co. Wexford.

Garden columnist, as he highlights

**GPS:** 52.65673, -6.65035

**Time:** 11.30 a.m. **Adm:** €5. Tea Rooms open for tea. coffee. homemade scones and cakes.

## dick warner at huntington castle tree trail of huntington castle

Discover some rare and unusual trees including the amazing lime tree collection, hickory, Siberian crab, buckeye chestnut, as well as the impressive Yew walk with Dick Warner,

acclaimed tree expert as your guide.

Venue: Huntington Castle, Clonegal, Co.

Carlow **GPS:** 52.690404, -6.649131

teas, snacks, etc. Castle tours available.

**Time:** 2.30 p.m. **Admission:** €5 Childrens playground and Tea Rooms open for

### saturday 2nd august

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éanna ní lamhna in leighlinbridge



fionnuala fallon at rathvilly garden centre



Admission: FRFF



river walk with éanna ní lamhna

Éanna Ní Lamhna, environmentalist and RTÉ personality, leads a leisurely walk along the lovely banks of the River Barrow in Leighlinbridge, highlighting the history and heritage of this great river while identifying a wide variety of local flora and fauna. Éanna also provides practical, easy steps to garden for wildlife. Find out which plants attract songbirds, butterflies, frogs and other interesting wildlife.

Venue: Meet at the Garden of Remembrance.

GPS: 52.735586, -6.973691

A great opportunity to visit Duckett's Grove Design - Craft and Gift Emporium selling high quality artisan products and three craft workshops featuring a jeweller, felter and stained glass artist. Face painting, together with teddy bears workshops, bouncy castle and games complete the line up for this fun packed afternoon. Tea Rooms on site. Organised by County Carlow Sports Partnership. Venue: Duckett's Grove. Historic House and

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Bring a rug and picnic and enjoy a

fun day out for the whole family in

Duckett's Grove. Take Teddy and dress

him in his Sunday Best and win a prize.

Walled Garden, near Carlow Town.

**GPS:** 52.858748, -6.812787 Time: 2 - 6 p.m. Admission: €5 per car

Fionnuala Fallon, Irish Times Gardening Columnist and author of "From The Ground Up", offers her considerable expertise while delivering two informative and entertaining workshops.

#### 1: summer maintenance and top ten plants for august

Fionnuala chooses her top 10 plants for August that everybody should find room for in their gardens. Fionnuala also highlights key lessons for successful border and flowerbed planting including pruning, deadheading, second flowerings, delayed flowering, watering and feeding.

2: planning flowerbeds and borders / health checking your plants

Heralding the changes of each new month, flowers provide seasonal variation in colour, form and texture. Fionnuala introduces key lessons for successful border and flower bed planting while also highlighting the importance of plant health checks to ensure a flourishing garden. Advice will focus on the most suitable plants taking soil, height, light, space and exposure into consideration.

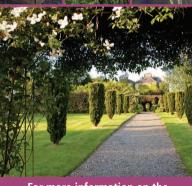
Venue: Rathvilly Garden Centre (on N81),

Rathvilly, Co. Carlow

GPS: 52.898476, -6.697363

Time: Talk 1: 2.30 p.m. Talk 2: 4.00 p.m.





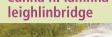
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The Quayside, Leighlinbridge, Co. Carlow

Time: 3 p.m. Admission: FREE

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FRI 25th July	Launch of Carlow Garden Festival — A year in a cottage garden with CAROL KLEIN of "Gardeners' World". Venue: Woodford Dolmen Hotel, Kilkenny Rd., Carlow	7.30p.m.	€24.50	1	<b>V</b>	1				
SAT 26th July	Dermot O'Neill, author and broadcaster. Venue: Arboretum Home and Garden Heaven, Leighlinbridge, Co. Carlow. FREE admission	12, 2.30p.m. & 3.30 p.m.	FREE	<b>✓</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>				
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MON 28th July	Paul Martin, Gold Medal Winner RHS Hampton Court Palace Flower Show Venue: Delta Sensory Gardens, Strawhall Estate, Carlow	12 noon & 2.30 p.m.	€5	1	<b>V</b>	<b>V</b>			<b>√</b>	
TUES 29th July	Seamus O' Brien, Director National Botanic Gardens at Kilmacurragh Venue: Altamont Gardens, Tullow, Co. Carlow	11 a.m.	FREE	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>		<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	
TUES 29th July	Robin Lane Fox, Financial Times Garden Columnist Venue: Hardymount Gardens, Tullow, Co. Carlow To include afternoon tea on the lawn.	2.30 p.m.	€10 includes afternoon tea	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>			1	
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FRI 1st August	Shirley Lanigan, author of "The 100 Best Gardens in Ireland" Venue: Rathwood, Rath, Tullow, Co. Carlow	12 noon & 2.30 p.m.	FREE	1	<b>√</b>	<b>✓</b>				
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SUN 3rd August	Teddy Bear's Picnic Venue: Duckett's Grove, off R418 Castledermot - Tullow Rd, near Carlow Town	2 - 6 p.m.	€5 per car			<b>V</b>		<b>√</b>		1
MON 4th August	Fionnuala Fallon, Irish Times Gardening Correspondent Venue: Rathvilly Garden Centre, Rathvilly, Co. Carlow. FREE admission	2.30 p.m. & 4 p.m.	FREE	1	1	1				