



Art Unbound at Painswick Rococo Garden 26 May to 8 September 2019



Summer 2019 sees a new departure for Painswick's historic **Rococo Garden**. **Art Unbound** is an ambitious exhibition of contemporary outdoor sculpture, designed to complement this beautiful garden's unique history. Taking inspiration from the intentions of the garden's designers back in the 1740s, the summer installation will entice, intrigue, and delight.

Art Unbound will embrace the natural and creative energy of the Rococo period and connect people to both art and the environment. There will be beauty, craftsmanship, and playfulness in abundance supported by a varied programme of talks, workshops and other events. The exhibition is open to the public from 26th May to 8th September 2019. All works will be for sale.

Curator Anna Greenacre is well known for her work at **on form**, the UK's foremost exhibition of sculpture in stone at Asthall Manor. At the Rococo Garden she will bring together a selection of both established sculptors and new British talent working in a range of mediums including wood, stone wire, ceramics and bronze. Anna is collaborating with Rococo Garden Director, Dominic Hamilton and their aim is for **Art Unbound** to "*beautifully complement the design of the Garden, showcase the horticultural delights it offers, and attract more visitors to this hidden gem.*"

Painswick Rococo Garden was designed as an English country gentleman's pleasure garden; a place for holding intimate parties. Laid out in a hidden valley, it is now the country's only complete surviving Rococo garden. Since 1984, the Garden has been rescued from ruin and transformed into a fanciful setting, dotted with perfect places to escape, explore and imagine.

"Sculpture is a natural partner to gardens and landscape. With its long vistas, eclectic follies, secret spaces, and wild areas, the playful Rococo Garden is the perfect setting for this exhibition."

Curator Anna Greenacre.



EDITORS NOTES:

- Art Unbound 26th May to 8th September 2019
- Painswick Rococo Garden, Painswick, Gloucestershire GL6 6TH
- Opening times: Daily 10.30am - 5pm (last admission at 4.30pm)
- Admission: Please follow this link for entry prices - <http://www.rococogarden.org.uk/Plan-Your-Visit/Admission-Times-Prices>
- Press enquiries and images, please contact: amy@longelgar.com / laura@lauraelgar.com

