

# Armscote Manor Lecture Series



Tuesday 13th October 2009- Andrew Lawson

## Tales of a Garden Photographer

Andrew Lawson is a passionate gardener himself, and his garden in Oxfordshire is open once a year under the National Gardens Scheme. He is author of 'The Gardeners' Book of Colour' and his photographs have illustrated books by Rosemary Verey, Penelope Hobhouse, as well as 'The Garden at Highgrove' by HRH The Prince of Wales.



Wednesday 14th October 2009 - Chris Brown

## A Love of Plants and the Stories They Tell

Chris Brown's passion for plants developed when he was a boy. He trained at the RHS Gardens Wisley, Askham Bryan college-York and Cambridge University Botanic Garden. On completing his training he worked briefly in commercial landscaping before returning to the private sector, firstly for Lord Heseltine and afterwards for Dame Felicity Peake. In the late 80's he set up his own design / landscape business before developing a specialist nursery which has been featured on BBC Gardeners World. He has been influenced by many well known plants people over the years and along with their knowledge came the fascinating stories, about the plants.



Thursday 15th October 2009 - Jim Keeling

## The Terracotta Gardener

After leaving Cambridge University with a degree in Archaeology and History, Jim trained at Wrecclesham Pottery before starting his own pottery in 1976 specialising in making terracotta. Since then Whichford Pottery has become world renowned for its enormous range of flowerpots, its creative plantings and numerous Chelsea Flower Show displays. Jim Keeling is passionate about keeping traditional skills alive and has written two books, "The Terracotta gardener" and "Flowerpots", about his work. Apart from flowerpots, he also sculpts statuary and, along with his wife Dominique, produces Sgraffito domestic ware. Jim's talk will show how we can decorate our gardens both with terracotta pots and beautiful planting.



Friday 16th October 2009

## Jane Austen and Colette; Two Daughters of Music

Devised by Robert White with Jane Streeton (soprano), Maggie Henderson (actor) and Maggie Cole (piano)

Jane Austen (1775-1817) and Colette (1873-1954) had a supreme ability to describe the intricacies of love and the world immediately around them, and were two of the greatest stylists in their respective languages. This programme shows just how central music was to their lives and art. It offers the music so intimately associated with them - Haydn, Gluck, Storace and Ravel, Debussy and Poulenc - alongside their distinctive and colourful writing.



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The evening starts at 7pm with a glass of wine and the lecture at 7.30pm

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### Ticket prices:

1 lecture	£14.00
2 lectures	£26.00
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