

the Dorothy Clive

Arts and Culture Walk



Throughout the years the garden has been used to inspire and create, we regularly host artists in the Garden. In the past we have been joined by poets, including Bert Flitcroft, and artists such as Malcolm Hague, running workshops and retreats within the grounds. Some of art work remains in the garden for all to see, this walk gives you some more information about the sculptures that can be found in the Garden. To help celebrate the 60th anniversary of the Garden, we also commissioned two artistic responses to the garden, a theatre piece by Moonstruck Astronaut and a collection of songs by Mary Keith, videos of these pieces can be found on our website.

Gaia – In the Glasshouse you will find Gaia, a sculpture cast out of marbled resin by artist Angela Munslow. Gaia is the Greek Goddess of Mother Earth, offering her bountiful gifts to man. Other versions of Gaia also exist, including versions in bronze resin and patinated bronze. Angela Munslow is an accomplished figurative sculptor and painter who is based in Cheshire. Her work has been exhibited widely across the UK, and can also be found in private collections in Europe and Worldwide.



Artemis – Artemis was carved by Angel Maltby in April 2019. As with Scimitar, she was also named after suggestions on our Facebook page. Artemis is named after the Greek goddess of the hunt, the environment and the natural world. Carved out of an Ash (Fraxinus excelsior) which had to be felled.



Scimitar – Scimitar is the most recent owl to be carved in the garden by Angel Maltby, a male companion for Artemis, and was carved in September 2019 from a Sycamore (Acer psued oplatnus) tree which had to be felled because of a root problem. Scimitar was named by a member of the public in a call out on social media for suggestions. Scimitar refers to a backsword, or sabre, with a curved blade, reflecting the shape of the owl's wings.



The Stag – A specially commissioned life size bronze statue stands just above the waterfall. The sculpture, by Ben Pantang, was carefully transported from a London foundry, then lowered into position and fixed to a prepared foundation in February 2001. It was brought in 1972 by the Friends of the Dorothy Clive Garden to commemorate the Golden Anniversary of the Garden.



Aphrodite – Aphrodite is a Greek goddess associated with love, beauty and passion. This sculpture, situated at the foot of the Waterfall, is another piece by local artist, Angela Munslow.



Woodpecker Tree – This carved Woodpecker was the first of the gardens tree carvings, and, as with the other carvings, was created on site by Angel Maltby. It was carved in 2018 out of a Beech (Fagus sylvatica) tree. Angel is a local artist, who works with a chain saw to create sculptures out of wood. As well as creating these permanent sculptures for the garden, she also creates small carvings that are then sold in the gift shop, and has run chainsaw carving workshops at the garden.