

PLANTING DESIGN COURSE starting 2nd March 2015

Bicton College, East Budleigh, Budleigh Salterton, Devon. EX9 7BY



Course Description:

- A ten week, half day course for students who may have completed Level Two Garden Design.
- Also for others who are keen to improve plant knowledge or design planted landscapes within gardens, for the community or in the public realm.
- You will measure and survey a small area for planting situated in the grounds of Bicton College with the objective of creating a design to a given brief. You will produce a planting plan and visualisations to effectively communicate your planting intentions.
- The course is suitable for a wide range of individuals working or intending to work in landscape based industry.
- Past students have included: Garden designers, Landscape Architects, Landscapers, Horticulturists, Self employed Gardeners, Local authority landscape managers, Garden centre and nursery operatives, and keen gardeners.
- Horticulture students undertaking RHS programmes have found 'Planting Design' complimentary to their studies.

The course takes place at Bicton College campus with it's world renowned Monkey Puzzle Avenue, part of a Grade 1 Listed Landscape. Content is approximately 50 per cent practical observation and outside learning to rapidly increase knowledge of live plant material.

Course Content:

- Planting for different soil types, aspect, sheltered and exposed environments, sun and shade.
- Plant Nomenclature and basic classification of Plant groups: Trees, Shrubs, Perennials, Bulbs, Annuals, Wildflowers, Indigenous and Introduced plants.
- Decorative and design attributes of plants: Flowering, fruits, foliage pattern, texture, plant form, growth habit, year round interest, and sensory elements.
- Planting for wildlife, ecology and biodiversity enhancement.
- Principles and Elements of Planting Design: Unity, Rhythm, Scale and proportion, Light and Shade, Colour, Foci, Perspective, Spatial arrangement.

Course Tutor: Mark Robertson

COST: £270.00 Enrolment: Contact Bicton Admissions department.:

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Recent Student Project Work: Sonia Banard

