

# Craft Skills for Garden Conservation

- finding, developing and sharing best practice



<b>Programme* for the webinar</b>	
<b>“Ponds and fountains in Historic Gardens”</b>	
<b>Time</b>	16 <sup>st</sup> January 2024 9.00 GMT+0:00
<b>Host:</b>	Paleis Het Loo, the Netherlands
<b>Information:</b>	The webinar will be in English and it will be recorded and made available on the project website. After the webinar we ask you to answer a survey about the workshop
<i>Topics</i>	
<i>Holland has been pre-eminent in water management for centuries and remains so to this day. Many other European gardens were influenced by Dutch designs that have water as a key element, but they have lost the skills to maintain and manage them. Others struggle in this period of climate change to cope with the wide fluctuations of water supply that we are all facing. In this webinar we present the origins of some of the water management techniques, their restoration and adaptation to current needs. We address the skills needed by gardeners for the everyday management of the water features in their care.</i>	
09.00-09.10	Welcome to the webinar, <i>Renske Ek, garden curator Paleis Het Loo.</i>
09.10-09.30	The importance of water and the profession of Fountaineer in the 17th century. <i>Speaker: Lenneke Berkhout, Independent Garden History researcher</i>
09.30-09.50	The role and importance of water in a flat landscape. The country estates near the Vecht and in the Beemster, The Netherlands. <i>Speaker: Willem Zieleman, Paleis Het Loo</i>
09.50-10.10	‘Pump and Circumstance, Channelling water to Versailles and Het Loo’. <i>Speaker: Alette Fleischer, AAF Art and History</i>
10.10-10.30	<b>Short break or Q&amp;A and Panel Discussions</b>
10.30-10.50	The first steam engines, examples from Hampton Court, Chiswick and Herrenhausen. <i>Speaker: David Jacques, independent scholar and a consultant in historic landscapes, parks, and gardens.</i>
10.50-11.10	Fountains and ponds driven by steam engines in the 19 <sup>th</sup> century, stories from Potsdam. <i>Speaker: Katrin Schröder, Garden curator Babelsberg/Rheinsberg</i>
11.10-11.30	<b>Q&amp;A and Panel Discussions</b>
11.30-13.30	Lunch break
13.30-14.00	‘With a spade and a watering pot’ - Capability Brown's holistic approach to estate water management. <i>Speaker: Steffie Shields, professional garden photographer, writer, and historic landscape consultant.</i>
14.00-14.20	The Dipping Pond of Croome Walled Garden, its history, and the state-of-the-art irrigation system that it now feeds. <i>Speaker: Chris Cronin, owner Croome Court and Walled Garden.</i>
14.20-14.30	<b>Q&amp;A and Panel Discussion</b>
14.30-14.50	Dutch Initiative ‘Climate-Resilient Estates’, a system approach, example Estate region Baakse Beek, province Gelderland. <i>Speaker: Louisa Remesal, program manager, Rijn and IJssel Water Board</i>
14.50-15.25	<b>Group discussion</b>
15.25-16.00	Q&A and final Panel Discussion. (the whole content of the webinar). Presentation of the summer workshop.

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