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Courses & Workshops 2024

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- botanical art
- plant identification & science
- horticulture
- photography
- garden history
- creativity & wellbeing



Botanical art by CLUG tutor Lizzy Harper



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With 40 acres of beautiful gardens and over 8,000 plant species from around the world, Cambridge University Botanic Garden is the perfect place to develop your understanding of plants, find out more about gardens through the ages or discover your inner artist.



Creative, Wellbeing and Photography

Aromatherapy in winter: How to use essential oils to support wellbeing	Thursday 1 February
Women’s journey with aromatherapy: Puberty to menopause	Wednesday 6 March
Beginners’ spoon carving	Thursday 21 March
Keeping a sketchbook: Drawing the garden	Saturday 27 April
Printmaking with daylight	Wednesday 29 - 30 May
Linocut leaves	Thursday 6 June
Hand-tied bouquet making	Friday 7 June
Making organic paints and inks	Thursday 11 - 12 July
Mini monoprints: Experimenting with natural shapes and textures	Tuesday 16 July
Botanical blueprints	Thursday 25 - 26 July
Mobile phone photography	Tuesday 17 September
Round and oval baskets	Tuesday 8 - 9 October
Red, yellow and blue: A colour palette	Tuesday 15 October
Monoprinting with leaves	Tuesday 29 October
Linocut views in the glasshouses	Thursday 7 - 8 November
Christmas willow: Reindeer, angels, trees and stars	Wednesday 20 November
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Frankincense, myrrh and more: Aromatic presents for Christmas	Friday 29 November
Christmas wreath making	Thursday 5 December
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Garden History

Cultivating creations: Gardens and fashion of the Medieval into Early Tudor (online)	Friday 26 January
Rootical folklore: Flora and folklore of Africa and the Caribbean (online)	Tuesdays 13, 20, 27 February, 5, 12 March
Chinoiserie: Tea, trade routes and a taste for the 'exotic' (online)	Thursday 15 February
Cultivating creations: Gardens and fashion of the Elizabethan (online)	Friday 16 February
Cultivating creations: Gardens and fashion of the Early Georgian (online)	Friday 22 March
Cultivating creations: Gardens and fashion of the Regency and Late Georgian (online)	Friday 26 April
Cultivating creations: Gardens and fashion of the Victorian (online)	Friday 24 May
The history of saffron	Tuesday 25 June
Cultivating creations: Gardens and fashion of the Edwardian (online)	Friday 28 June
Painters in their places: Exploring the interplay between gardens and art	Fridays 20 September, 25 October, 22 November
The origins of mycology in Britain (online)	Monday 14 October
Lancelot Brown: Reassessing the Capabilities (online)	Wednesday 16 October

Horticulture

Tiny garden design (online)	Wednesdays 17, 24, 31 January
Introduction to garden design (online)	Saturdays 20 January, 3, 17 February, 2, 16 March
Pruning roses: Theory and practice	Saturday 10 February
Growing succulent plants: Theory and practice	Saturday 24 February
Grow your own vegetables: Theory and practice	Saturday 9 March
Right plant, right place	Thursday 14 March
Pruning deciduous shrubs: Theory and Practice	Saturday 16 March
Growing orchids: Theory and practice	Saturday 30 March
Beginners' garden design	Wednesdays 24 April, 8, 22 May, 5 June
Grow your own hardy fruit: Theory and practice	Saturday 6 July
Intermediate garden design	Thursdays 19 September, 3, 17, 31 October
Getting the best from your roses	Tuesday 5 November
Maintaining herbaceous perennial beds and borders: Theory and practice	Saturday 9 November
Winter interest for the garden	Tuesday 3 December

Botanical Art

Holly, ivy and spring flowers	Tuesday 26 - 28 March
Sketching in the garden	Tuesday 23 April
Beginners' watercolour 'en plein air'	Tuesday 30 April
Tulips in coloured pencil	Wednesday 1 - 3 May
Illustrating magical May blooms	Thursday 9 - 10 May
Illustrating spring leaves in watercolour	Wednesday 15 - 17 May
Improvers' watercolour 'en plein air'	Tuesday 4 June
Sketchbook studies of plants	Tuesday 11 - 12 June
Flower collage	Thursday 27 June
Oil painting 'en plein air'	Tuesday 2 - 3 July
Rose buds in coloured pencil (online)	Thursday 4 July
Berries and cherries in coloured pencil	Wednesday 17 - 19 July
Herbs and spices in coloured pencil	Wednesday 4 - 6 September
Onions and garlic in watercolour	Wednesday 11 - 13 September
Illustrating plants in pencil	Tuesday 1 - 2 October
Illustrating autumn fruit and fungi	Tuesday 22 - 23 October
Drawing the Pinetum (online)	Mondays 4, 11 November
Gilded backgrounds for flowers	Wednesday 13 - 15 November

Plant Identification and Science

Exploring tropical botany	Tuesday 6 - 7 February
Entangled lives: Exploring partnerships between plants and fungi	Tuesdays 7, 14 May
Understanding colour in plants	Monday 20 May
Identifying native trees	Tuesday 21 May
Flowering plant taxonomy and systematics	Monday 17 - 21 June
Mediterranean flowering plants	Tuesday 9 - 10 July
Introduction to mycology	Monday 9 - 10 September
Incredible edible and drinkable plants	Wednesday 18 September
Beginners' guide to botany	Tuesday 24 - 25 September
More than just mushrooms: A beginners' guide to fungi	Monday 21 October
Exploring tropical botany	Monday 18 - 19 November
Getting to know the conifers	Wednesday 27 - 28 November

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