

Every year we organise a number of events that are your chance to get behind-the-scenes and enjoy West Dean all year round. Come along and discover more about the College and meet the people who look after West Dean house and the glorious gardens. New events will be added throughout the year so keep checking our website for updates. We look forward to welcoming you soon.

Jenny Stewart's Garden Walk

First Thursday of the month

Gardens Restaurant

On the first Thursday of each month join Jenny Stewart for her West Dean Gardens walk, a great chance to keep fit and meet other like-minded Garden Friends. No need to book, just arrive at the gardens restaurant by 10.30am for a warm drink before setting off with the group at 11am.

Entry: Free, exclusive to West Dean Friends



The Living Jigsaw: How to garden with wildlife

**5 May 2018
2pm - 3.30pm**

West Dean College

Val Bourne will be talking about the content of her book, The Living Jigsaw, which explores gardening without using chemicals, as Val believes passionately that it's quite possible to have a beautiful flower-packed garden and help wildlife.

Entry: £30



Ami Bouhassane 'Lee Miller: A Life with Food, Friends and Recipes'

**15 May 2018
6.30pm—9.30pm**

The Old Library, West Dean College

West Dean College is proud to host this special event to celebrate the publication of 'Lee Miller: a Life with Food, Friends, and Recipes' as part of the College's series of Author Talks, co-ordinated by the Creative Writing department.

Entry: £30



*West Dean Arts and Craft Festival

**1 - 3 June 2018
10am - 5pm (last entry 4pm)**

West Dean Gardens

The West Dean Arts and Craft Festival offers visitors the opportunity to browse and buy high quality crafts and prints, watch demonstrations, get hands-on in workshops and view installations from emerging artists. There will also be a rare opportunity to explore inside historic West Dean House.

Entry: Adult early bird £10 / standard price £12.50



*Garden Friends receive one complimentary event voucher per person per year, this can be used for the Chilli Fiesta or the Arts and Craft Festival

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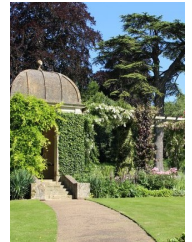
Pergola Open Air Theatre

25 June - 7 July 2018
7.45pm

As part of the Festival of Chichester, come and enjoy two performances by New Theatre Productions, now in its 39th amateur season, in the beautiful backdrop of West Dean Gardens.

All performances start at 7.45pm on each day.

For more information and to book please visit
www.festivalofchichester.co.uk



***Chilli Fiesta**

10 - 12 August 2018

West Dean Gardens

Join the party at the UK's biggest chilli festival. Dance to live Latin music, watch cookery and gardening demonstrations and taste delicious chilli foods 'til your tongue sizzles. Make the most of the family-friendly festival atmosphere and camp onsite with great facilities.

Entry: Prices start from £14.40 with Early Bird Discount



Tapas Evenings

24 - 25 August 2018

Gardens Restaurant

Choose a selection of your favourite tapas from our specially developed menu. Now on for two nights due to popular demand last year. Dine in the Gardens Restaurant or eat al fresco on the terrace.

Entry: Deposit £10 per person, balance to be paid on the night



Carols by the Christmas Tree

6 December 2018
2.30pm and 7pm

Oak Hall, West Dean

Join us for our annual celebration in the Oak Hall with carols around the Christmas Tree led by a local choir. A festive celebration by a roaring log fire, with mulled wine and mince pies to refresh you in the interval.

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