

JOIN THE BIG BUZZ

The Greenhouse Gallery will host a summer long promotion of the many things we can do to help protect bees and other pollinators and join in activities that encourage us all to improve the soil on which all life depends.



BE INSPIRED BY NATURE AND THE WORLDS MOST SPECTACULAR CLOTHES DESIGNER

Click on the slide show on our home page <http://greenhousetrust.co.uk/> to see stunning close-ups of seeds from around the world and a small sample of Alexander McQueen's most inspiring and famous costumes.

DESIGN A FULL COSTUME OR A WILD HAT DRAW IT, OR MAKE IT

The challenge is to create your artwork using only recycled materials – we want to produce as little waste as possible!

Sign up now, so we know you want to be part of the project.

Join Ilona at one of our workshops to get inspired, or if you can't make the dates, contact us with your ideas.

Workshop dates: Saturday 19th May and Sunday 10th June, 2018.



To register your interest and find out more email contact@greenhousetrust.co.uk

THE LORD MAYORS PROCESSION

Saturday 7th July. Come show of your hat, and/or costume on our float, and help give away seeds and information about what we can all do to tackle climate change.

WORKING TOGETHER

This Lottery Funded – Awards For All Project brings together a range of organisations with the aim of involving volunteers, refugees and artists in working together to develop build skills, confidence & create relationships between people of all ages and backgrounds via a set of themed events. The project is co-ordinated from the Greenhouse Gallery which aims to inspire and encourage creative solutions in the anthropocene.



Capoeira4refugees and Capoeira Communities

Works with young people particularly children impacted by war and conflict, to improve mental and physical wellbeing and to build cultural awareness and confidence.

The Grange a 10 acre permaculture smallholding in West Norfolk which since 2012 has been opening its doors to people to build their own resilience. In particular, people who have survived torture, extreme violence and fleeing persecution. As a permaculture site they are exploring ways of living that create wider societal cohesion.

New Routes which drives social and racial cohesion by building positive images and new connections among people of different backgrounds and integrating marginalised people into society. It operates from a community centre in Norwich.

Friends of the Earth – Bee Cause

Britain's bees are in trouble. 35 UK bees species are under threat of extinction, and all species face serious threats. The decline in bees' diversity and abundance would have a serious impact on how our natural world functions. Launched in 2012 the Bee Cause aims to reverse bee decline in the UK.

Bumble Bee Conservation Trust.

In the last 80 years our bumblebee populations have crashed. Two species have become nationally extinct and several others have declined dramatically. We have a vision for a different future in which our communities and countryside are rich in bumblebees and colourful flowers, supporting a diversity of wildlife and habitats for everyone to enjoy.

GREENHOUSE GALLERY

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SOIL. A soil initiative launched under the Paris Accord suggests that achieving an annual 0.4% increase in global soil carbon would deliver carbon savings equivalent to current total anthropogenic emissions of CO₂. Though hypothetical, this illustrates how important soils are as a carbon store. We invite you to use visual art and/or environmental writing to communicate the potentially hugely significant role of increasing levels of organic matter.

FOOD. The use of chemically intensive food production methods in the decades after World War II created large scale monoculture cropping and animal production facilities. Back then, industrial agriculture was hailed as the technological fix that would enable everyone on the planet to be fed. Instead, food has become a globalised trade in commodities.

We have yet to understand the true complexity of soil life. However, we are now realizing how important soil biology is in supporting life on earth and species diversity, how it plays a crucial role in mitigating the impacts of floods and droughts and how it improves the quality of air, water and life on earth. Similarly, insects, bees and other pollinators are widely seen within the environmental movement as crucial to food production and the cycle of life of earth. However they are not yet at the heart of our creative industries or the world of consumerism that artists and designers give shape to.

WEALTH AND IDENTITY. In Europe, where food is primarily bought by consumers, rather than grown directly, we forget that for most humans in other parts of the world, food production provides a direct livelihood. Food security is hugely impacted by climate change. Farmers in sub-Saharan Africa will lose 40-80% of the land used for growing staple crops as the world's temperature increases by 1.5° - 2°C in the coming decades.

The protection and resettlement of over two hundred million climate refugees during the 21st century requires new political and economic models. Ever increasing numbers of people will move and seek to relocate. The historic concepts of the nation state as a governing ideal may simply founder. Arbitrary impositions of borders on a world map have little in common with the new demographic of climate change. Lebanon, Syria, El Salvador, Peru and Columbia are all examples of countries whose boundaries are being redrawn by the major flows of people away from violence and environmental degradation.