

MARBLE HILL REVIVED COMMUNITY UPDATE

February 2022



VOLUNTEER AT MARBLE HILL

The house at Marble Hill is reopening to visitors this spring for free, five days a week.

Experienced paint and conservation specialists have been restoring the house and its collection to its former glory, and our curators have been developing new ways to share the fascinating stories of the house and its former owner, Henrietta Howard. We've also installed a new lift to provide step-free access to the first floor.

We're looking for volunteer house explainers to welcome visitors, answer questions and help them to better understand the history of Marble Hill. If you're looking for a new challenge, we would love to hear from you.

The final phase of planting is now underway in the gardens, and work is taking place around the nine pin bowling alley and along the Sweet Walk, which runs from the White Lodge to the house.

To apply to volunteer please register at www.english-heritage.org.uk/support-us/Volunteer/marble-hill-explainer-volunteer



FOR MORE INFORMATION

To find out more or to get involved, visit english-heritage.org.uk/marblehillrevived

WHAT IS MARBLE HILL REVIVED?

Marble Hill is a much-loved space for both locals and Londoners, young and old, to relax and play. However, before the Marble Hill Revived project started, the site had seen little investment since the 1980s.

Opening times for the historic house were limited and much of the park's original character had been lost. Right across Marble Hill, the facilities needed upgrading.

A £5m grant from the National Lottery Heritage Fund and National Lottery Community Fund presents a unique chance to revive Marble Hill, to bring its stories to life, to involve more local people in it, and to invest in its long term future.

Marble Hill Revived is about keeping what makes Marble Hill so special, but also making it better.



COMMEMORATIVE TREE PLANTING

At the end of last year we planted the final trees in the avenue in front of the house – this is part of our commitment to plant over 300 trees across the park. We're grateful to The Mayor of Richmond and Twickenham, Orleans Park Secondary School, the Twickenham based Windsor Kindergarten and our Volunteers for helping to plant the final four Indian horse chestnut trees. The trees were planted as part of the Queen's Green Canopy, a nationwide project to celebrate Her Maiesty's Platinum Jubilee.



EVENTS

COMMUNITY WALKING GROUP

Every Tuesday I I am

By the old oak by the cricket pitch.

LONDON LUMINARIES

2nd – 3rd February 7pm online

THE PEEL FAMILY

22nd February 6pm online

CREATE A STAG BEETLE LOGGERY

23rd February from 9.30am

DAFFODIL WALK

1st March 10am – 11am

CREATE A BEE HOTEL

19th March from 10am

UNDER 5s WELLY WALKS

Throughout February, March, April

to www.english-heritage.org.uk/visit/places/marble-hill-house/events



CAFÉ AND SPORTS FACILITIES AT MARBLE HILL

This March marks the first anniversary of the reopening of the Coach House café. It's been wonderful to see so many of you enjoying the space and the outdoor seating, which is in sight of the new play area, and we hope you've been enjoying the food on the menu – especially the dishes made using produce from the Kitchen Garden. All proceeds from the café have gone towards helping English Heritage care for Marble Hill and the many other historic sites in our care.

This summer we'll be opening our accessible sports changing area. Many of our sports facilities are already open. To book visit,

www.pitchbooking.com/partners englishheritage

NEW FACES TO THE TEAM

We're delighted to announce that David Creigton has been promoted from Ranger to Site Supervisor. Jack Morris successfully completed his Horticultural apprenticeship, and he has been taken on permanently to support our Head Gardener, Kate Slack.

At the moment we're recruiting staff for the house and café. For more details and to apply visit:

www.english-heritage.org. uk/jobs for more details



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Scan the QR code to complete a short anonymous survey on Marble Hill Revived.



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NATIONAL LOTTERY HERITAGE FUND

Marble Hill Revived has been awarded a £5 million grant by The National Lottery through the Parks for People programme.





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