

Quiet Garden Open Day

Nicholaston House Christian Retreat and Conference Centre
Nicholaston, Gower, Swansea, SA3 2HL

Saturday, 22 April 2017

Celebrating 25 years of Quiet Gardens in 2017

Official 'Quiet Garden' Spring Opening

11am - 3pm (ceremony at 1pm)



'Garden on a Plate Competition

We are inviting children to create a garden on a plate during the Easter holiday for judging at the Quiet Garden event. There are three age categories and prizes for the best 'quiet garden' themed plates. Judging will take place at 12 noon.

Light Lunch Refreshments Available

#Quiet25 FREE ENTRY

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Nicholaston House is a member of The Evangelical Alliance, The Retreat Association, Christian Camping International (CCI), Global Connections, The Association of Christian Counsellors, The British Association of City Missions and the Quiet Garden Movement.

Registered UK Charity No. 1096720



‘ in this place I will give peace ’

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Nicholaston House, standing in its own grounds overlooking Oxwich bay, is set in heart of the Gower peninsula - Britain's first designated Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty.

About Us

Run by Swansea City Mission and Educational Trust, a registered UK Christian charity, the focus of Nicholaston House is to be a centre for healing and restoration channelled through various retreats, events and courses, and to facilitate Christian groups for conferences and away days. Our core charitable work includes providing regular residential eating disorder support courses and prayer ministry. Non-residential and day visitors are welcome to many of our retreats, events and courses. Details are available on our website.

Our Team

The House Team at Nicholaston House are drawn from many areas of life and have committed themselves to serving others by forming an intentional Christian community. The team are supported by a number of other staff and volunteers, who together help to provide a safe, warm and welcoming environment. Trustees of the charity provide the vision and direction for the House, whilst a Ministry Planning Group prayerfully develop a programme of events to support the charity's charitable aims and objectives.

Accommodation and Facilities

Accommodation comprises mainly twin, with some single, double and family bedrooms, all with en-suite provision, as well as tea- and coffee-making facilities. Subject to availability up to 28 people can be accommodated on a shared occupancy basis. Facilities include a conservatory overlooking the magnificent sweep of Oxwich bay, conference room with audio-visual equipment, games including table tennis, art and craft studio, prayer room, bookstall and lounge with TV.



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In 2017 the Quiet Garden Movement celebrates 25 years of sharing Quiet Gardens. Nicholaston House is a member of the Quiet Garden Movement and also one of the few places in Wales with a wild bird garden, having equipment for viewing from the conservatory. It includes a prayer walk and is usually open each day from April to October, from 11 a.m. until 3 p.m.

This special official opening of the garden for 2017 will mark the 25th Anniversary of the Quiet Garden Movement as well as provide public access to the Nicholaston House garden and grounds.

Children, from the local area are being invited to create a garden on a plate with the theme being a 'quiet garden'. Children staying at the House during the weekend with their family are also welcome to join in with the competition. Garden Plates need to be brought to Nicholaston House for judging on Saturday, 22 April 2017 by 12 noon. The winners will be announced and awards presented as part of the opening ceremony at 1pm There are three age categories and prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place. Every entrant will receive a special certificate of entry marking the special occasion.

Garden on a Plate

Competition Guidelines

1. A standard dinner plate size should be used (max. 15")
2. Consisting of mixed craft media to include real soil, sand, grass, plant and/or fresh flower matter etc.
3. Entries should be presented between 11am - 12 noon on Saturday, 22nd April 2017 at Nicholaston House for judging with a small label attached with the entrant's name and age
4. The age categories are:
 - 4-6 years
 - 7-11 years
 - 12-16 years
5. The competition theme is 'Quiet Garden'
6. Prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd in each age category
7. Special participant certificates for all
8. The judge's decision is final
9. There is no cash alternative for prizes
10. Parents/guardians of child entrants agree for pictures of the garden plates and the award ceremony to be used for marketing and publicity purposes, both in print and online

