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## SPEAKERS LIST INFORMATION

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Professional garden historian, researcher, author,

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#### Talks & tours

**Twigs is an popular, entertaining and informed speaker with a repertoire talks covering a wide range of garden history topics. She is also an experienced tour group leader and is available to lead garden tours.**

Twigs has given talks to organisations such as NADFAS, the University of the Third Age, the National Trust, county Gardens Trusts, and Hatfield House. Her talks are also ideally suited for local history and gardening groups, or for friends of museums and galleries. They can be tailored to the needs of a particular group or to relate to a specific event such as an opening or anniversary.

**Here is a list of some sample titles**

- ◆ Virgins, Weeders and Queens: A History of Women in the Garden
- ◆ An Incitement to Early Marriage: A Social History of the Allotment
- ◆ Jane Austen and the Regency Garden'
- ◆ By the Ignorant for the Ignorant: Women Writing on Gardening for Women
- ◆ Art and the Garden: Gardens as symbol and setting in art medieval to modern
- ◆ Literature and the Garden: Gardens as symbol, setting and character in literature medieval to modern
- ◆ Not Just Standing Around: Statues in C17th and C18th gardens'
- ◆ Cloches Against Hitler; Beans as Bullets: the Wartime garden'
- ◆ The Tudor and Elizabethan Garden: Devices and Delights
- ◆ Politics and Pleasure: 18th Century Landscape Design and Historic Landscapes

◆ Gardens Lost and Found: Researching Garden History

[Contact](#) Twigs to discuss your requirements and other subjects she can cover. Fees start at £100 according to length of talk, distance etc.

**A specific list of NADFAS talks can be obtained by NADFAS secretaries.**

Twigs is also available to lead garden tours: [contact](#) her if you would like to discuss this, or for a list of forthcoming tours.

**'I am still meeting Friends in the Garden who are saying how much they enjoyed your talk, it really was lovely.'**

Friend of the University of Cambridge Botanic Gardens

**'I would like to thank you for coming to speak to us . . . it was a fascinating talk'**

Biddenham Garden Association

Twigs is an accomplished and entertaining speaker, She is a professional Garden Historian , researcher, author and speaker. Twigs has presented and appeared on programmes including Lost Gardens (Channel 4), Gardeners World Special (BBC), Woman's Hour (Radio 4) etc. Her books include '*Virgins, Weeders and Queens: A History of Women in the Garden*'; *Crocodiles in the fernery: An A-Z of Animals in the Garden*' and '*Allotments*' (a social history). *The Wartime Garden* is due for release in 2009. Twigs is also a NADFAS accredited speaker.