

Moseley in Bloom Open Gardens Weekend 2008
Gardens Opening

Saturday 14th June

North Moseley Loop

18 Grayfield Avenue

Tickets

An amazing surprise urban courtyard oasis. This little suntrap is primarily an evergreen foliage garden but for half the year is also host to a fabulous container collection.

22 Oakland Road

Access

Residents of this block of flats which suffered dramatic tree losses in the 2005 tornado are reforesting their corner of Moseley. Twenty new trees have been planted in the front gardens as part of this year's Moseley in Bloom Front Garden Trees Programme. A real transformation before our eyes. Design help courtesy of MiB volunteers Landscape by Design.

(Can be viewed from pavement)

17 Oakland Road

Partial Access

Newly-acquired garden laid out for production and relaxation! Vegetables in raised beds and al fresco entertaining.

(Access to patio level)

20 Mayfield Road

Tickets, Plants, Partial Access

Fairly new garden of two parts, the first having a real Mediterranean feel, and the second a surprise contemporary twist. Post-tornado birch grove, lovely planting for both sun and shade and amazingly a family garden that is also very grown-up. Design by Glenn Fraser.

22 Mayfield Road

Teas

Fabulously idiosyncratic garden of foliage and form. Intriguing architectural set pieces and hidden seating make this garden truly unmissable. Beware uneven paths and precipitous drops!

Shaftesbury House, 32 Mayfield Road

Access

Designed and planted by residents with the help of volunteers from Lupin Garden Design and Moseley in Bloom just 6 weeks ago! This is an edible garden designed to be of interest to humans and wildlife alike and combines educative, culinary and decorative roles.

45 Wake Green Road (Corner of Mayfield Road)

Access, Tickets

A work in progress. Severely tornado-affected, the owners have worked hard to replace the many lost trees. Large family space at the front and pretty, tranquil haven to the rear.

St Agnes Loop

39 St Agnes Road

Teas, Plants, Tickets, Partial Access

Large working garden performing many functions. Wide lawn and mature borders, greenhouses, extensive fruit and veg garden and chickens.

(Access to patio level and teas)

21 Dyott Road

Access

Delightful meandering garden. Re-landscaped since last year's opening to give it a more open aspect: new flower borders now sit among remaining mature shrubs and trees, this garden still retains its characteristic play of light and shade.

49 Greenhill Road

Access

A verdant, sculptural garden with a continental feel. Elegant mature shrubs and trees, of varying height, colour and texture give way to a meadow with summer house and herb garden.

51 Greenhill Road

Access, Tickets

Long garden of rooms with a real country feel evocative of the 1930s. Traditional lawned area with mature borders, vegetable garden and wildflower meadow with orchard.

12 Southlands Road

Partial access

A developing small cottage garden with a pond and a wealth of annuals, perennials and climbers mixed in with vegetables and fruit.

(Access – tight corner, shallow step)

Billesley Lane Allotments

Tickets, Teas, Plant Sales, Other Stalls, Access

Traditional allotments in a beautiful old setting, recently sadly downsized but still a gem and today holding their 2008 Open Day

Sunday 15th June

Chantry Road Loop

36 Chantry Road

Tickets

A large family garden of different rooms: sunny patio and rockery; lawn with mature borders; vegetable and fruit area and shady dell.

32 Chantry Road

Teas

Completely redesigned and planted by Sandilands Garden Design, this is a garden with everything. The garden is split into several different areas described by the owner as 'from neo-classical to funky'.

33 Chantry Road

Family-orientated wildlife garden carefully planned and planted by the owners. Wildlife pond; lawned area with borders; fruit and veg garden.

40 Park Hill

Originally laid out in the 1920s this delightful garden has been restored and replanted over the last 20 years by two sets of loving owners. Mature mixed borders and intriguing water gardens.

38 Augusta Road

Tickets, Partial Access

A small but perfectly formed garden with many areas of interest: herbaceous border; shady border; ericaceous bed; fountain feature and trompe l'oeil.

(Access to lower part of garden)

34 Augusta Road

Partial Access

The partner garden to no.38 it is accessed through the same passageway but it has a very different feel, with a lovely mix of flowers, vegetables and soft fruit.

(Access to lower part of garden)

26 Augusta Road

Absolutely amazing collection of cacti and succulents under glass and alpines outside. A sight to behold.

The Coach House, Augusta Road

Partial Access

Enchanting and beautifully landscaped garden transformed by the owners over twenty years, it has many different areas and is at once tranquil and dramatic.

(Access to most of garden, a few areas with steps)

Moseley Park and Pool

Partial Access

Opening its gates to the public for Moseley in Bloom, Moseley Park can be accessed from the gate in Chantry Road (next to St John and St Monica's School) – down steep steps - or from the High Street. The park was opened in 1899 and is the only surviving part of the English landscape gardens of Moseley Hall (1792). It is a truly unique area, now run as a charity and organically managed. It contains the most stunning vistas across the lake and also has a bog garden with a series of bridges, a wildflower meadow and is a haven for wildlife. Truly a hidden gem.

(Access from Alcester Road Gate or Salisbury Road Gate)

Moor Green Loop

42 Amesbury Road

Tickets

Everywhere you look something unusual and interesting, super mix of colour and texture, a real plantsman's garden. Beware paths can be slippery if wet.

Moseley Hall Hospital Footpath (Amesbury Road to the Dovecote)

By kind permission of the Primary Care Trust a chance to appreciate this lovely quiet green avenue which affords the only opportunity to view Moseley Hall, once sitting in acres of Repton-designed parkland.

Visitors are requested to keep to the footpath as signposted and respect the fact that this is a working hospital.

Moseley Hall Dovecote, Alcester Road

Tickets, Plants

Being restored and maintained by Moseley Society volunteers, the Dovecote garden is a work in progress with the overall ambition to create a community garden in keeping with the 18th century Dovecote and Cowhouse beside it. Herb garden, kitchen garden, herbaceous border and orchard plus four new beds framed by box hedges, two yet to be planted, and a wild area at the bottom of the plot.

3 Moor Green Lane

Teas, Plants, WC, Partial Access

This is a relaxed productive garden in the Edwardian style boasting fifteen different types of fruit – some of which will be on offer with the teas!

(Access to patio area and teas)

5 Moor Green Lane

Partial Access

Spacious family garden in two sections with open lawn cleverly divided and screened from a more secluded contemplative area.

(Access to patio level)

65 Moor Green Lane

Partial Access, Tickets

Lovely contemporary garden designed in a low-maintenance Mediterranean style, perfect for entertaining and leisurely meals on warm summer evenings.

(Access to patio level)

82 Moorcroft Road

Tickets

Terraced garden, packed full of interest, designed and looked after by a real enthusiast. Many plants grown from seed and cuttings for year round colour.