

March 8<sup>th</sup>: Trip to Gravtye Manor with Jason from MVVA

## March 9<sup>th</sup> Maurice Fosters: Study Day

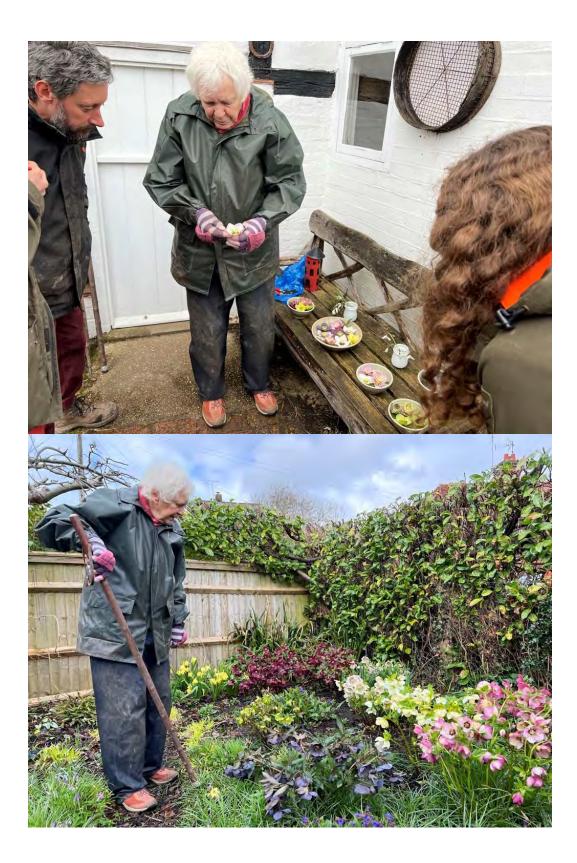


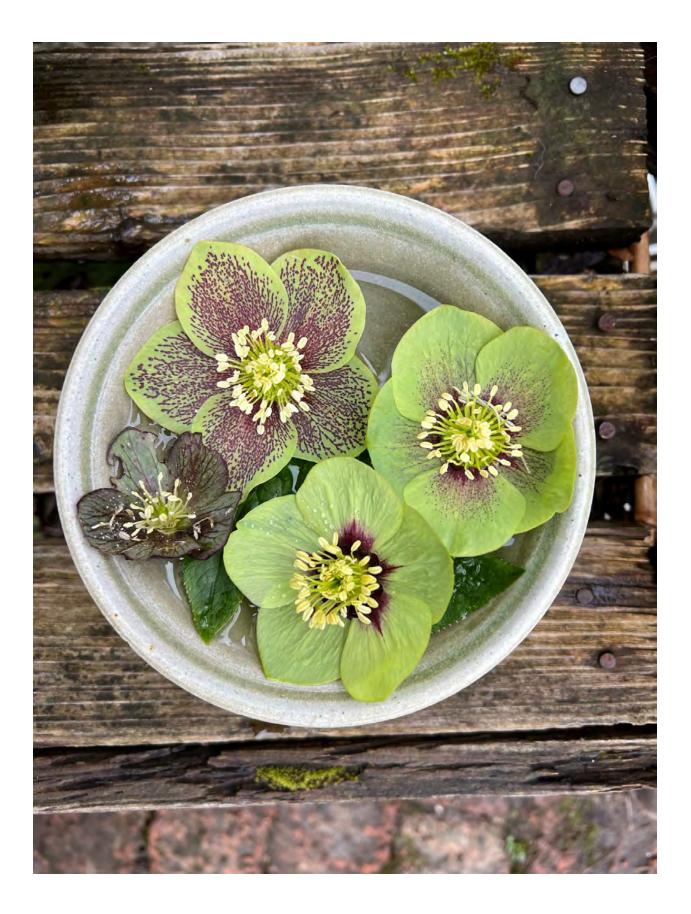




March 10<sup>th</sup>: Trip to Elizabeth Strangman's

Elizabeth Strangman's gorgeous if not perfect Hellebores really helped me to look at Hellebores and plants in general with more attention to detail. What makes a good plant, a good Hellebore a good flower. These are all questions I have though of before but to see someone who has committed their life to breeding perfect Hellebores really helps to put meaning behind a question. Elizabeth's garden was built by Ed Flint who worked at Dixter and also at Elizabeth's Nursery back in the day





March 13<sup>th</sup>: Lifting, Dividing and planting Symphiotrichum lateriflorus (or laterifolius) var. Horizontal rows back in the Peacock Garden. After digging and then dividing the Asters we marked out a straight line and began to plant back double rows of asters along the paths of the Peacock Garden. Prior to asters Christo had lavender which did not cope with the heavy clay soils and wet winters.





March 24<sup>th</sup>: Hellebores scattered around providing color in the barn garden

Dinner with Fellow Americans



Trip to Rotheram with Dean Charleton. A bit of guerilla planting, Mothers day dinner, Deans father's incredible garden and Sheffield 'Grey to Green.'







March 20<sup>th</sup>: A photo that never gets old. Corlyopsis glabrescens underplanted with Scilla bithynica next to Lutyens circular steps.







Gravetye again: March 25<sup>th</sup> with the students





Munstead Wood with Annabelle Watts and the students: March 25<sup>th</sup> (Before Gravetye)