



WADDESDON MANOR



A powerful D-Day display from dawn to dusk at Waddesdon Manor this autumn

An emotional and dramatic large-scale installation commemorating those who gave their lives for freedom during the D-Day landings (6 June 1944) will be displayed in the grounds of Waddesdon Manor this autumn.

From **21 October - 29 November 2026** visitors will be able to stop, think and reflect in the presence of the powerful *For Your Tomorrow* installation, updated for this year of 1,476 life size silhouettes, each representing a life lost under British command on D Day as well as the wider conflict.

There will also be a number of Dawn and Dusk openings – including special musical performances and events - so that the silhouettes can be seen in a serene reflective light as the sun rises and falls.

The installation has been created by the charity *Standing with Giants* to humanise the scale of loss, transforming statistics into an individual presence while paying tribute to those that made the ultimate sacrifice.

The display is currently at Ver-sur-Mer in Normandy, having been waved off in a special “Bon Voyage” event from Waddesdon Manor in April. When it returns to the Manor, new designs will be unveiled for the first time in the UK with personal detail and history is brought even more to the fore with figures showing Beach Masters, Dog Handlers, Royal Navy Officers, Tank Crew, Merchant Navy personnel and Royal Engineers.

Additional silhouettes will also be seen for the first time representing British Commando Frogmen and personnel serving with the British Army. 50 French Resistance fighters will be added, acknowledging the vital role of French civilians in the liberation of their country and European freedom.

Standing with Giants began in 2019 by husband-and-wife team Dan and Janette Barton. Standing with Giants creates large scale remembrance art installations that honour those who served and sacrificed for our freedom. Over the past two years, the current installation has been displayed at the British Normandy Memorial, Stowe Landscape Gardens (National Trust) and Royal Armouries at Fort Nelson.

Amid the peaceful gardens and grounds of Waddesdon Manor – with a linked display within the Manor itself - *Standing with Giants* is a timely reminder that we can never forget those who made the ultimate sacrifice for the lives we all live today.

Dan Barton, Founder of Standing with Giants, said: “*Standing with Giants is incredibly proud to be bringing our D-Day inspired installation to Waddesdon. It is especially meaningful for us to return here, following our WW1 Remembrance displays at Spring Hill and the Walk of Remembrance in 2021 and 2022.*

“There is something incredibly special about this setting. It is a place where history, beauty and remembrance come together in a truly unique way. This installation honours the courage and sacrifice of those who served on D-Day, and as we mark 82 years since 6 June 1944, offering a powerful space for reflection and remembrance. Visitors often leave our installations with a deeper appreciation of the courage, sacrifice and humanity of those who gave so much for our freedom.

Each figure represents an individual story from a moment that changed the course of history. Our aim is to humanise the scale of loss that remembrance remains personal, relevant and meaningful for future generations.”

For more information about the special events surrounding the display please keep an eye on the Waddesdon Manor website here www.waddesdon.org.uk.

NOTES TO EDITORS

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Standing with Giants is a registered charity creating large scale outdoor remembrance art installations, individually handmade from upcycled materials by volunteers. The installations provide meaningful spaces for reflection, remembrance and education, bringing communities together to honour those who fought for freedom, past and present.

Waddesdon Manor –The Manor is a world where art, history and nature meet. Created from 1874 by Baron Ferdinand de Rothschild, the French-inspired chateau was built for beauty, for a collection, and for entertaining. Today its doors open wide to reveal masterpieces and curiosities, sweeping gardens, and hidden corners, stories that surprise and details that delight. The Manor is a living emblem of the work of the Rothschild Foundation: a family charitable trust active in the arts, community, nature and sustainability. In

partnership with the National Trust, Waddesdon Manor is more than a historic house: it is a place of imagination and encounter, sustained and kept vibrant for each generation. A place to escape the everyday – a home for discovery and an inspiration for the world – where you can truly experience the extraordinary.

For more information on Waddesdon Manor and its exhibitions, visit www.waddesdon.org.uk, like @WaddesdonManor on Facebook and @waddesdonmanor_nt on Instagram.

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