



“...the witty way in which Turn End is conceived as a series of walled enclosures, some open to the sky, others roofed... There is nothing else like Aldington’s houses and gardens at Haddenham in post-war British architecture”

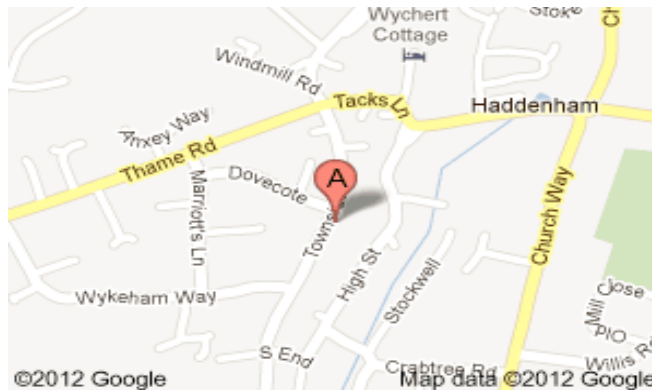
*Dan Cruikshank, RIBA Journal October 1996*

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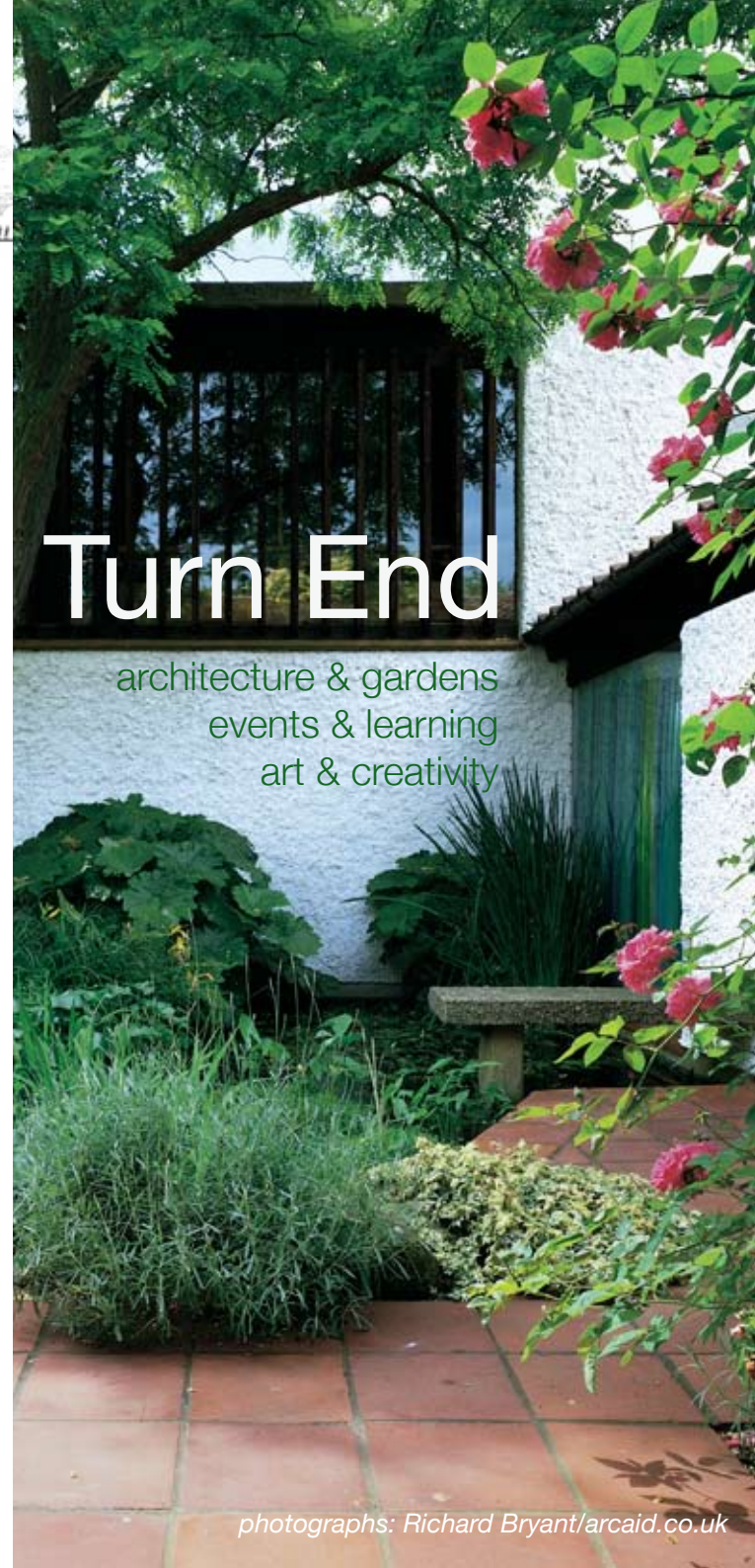
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“Not only are the gardens a masterpiece in their own right, but they relate to the buildings in an unforgettable way.” *Peter Davey*

**To find out open day times and our events programme:**

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# architecture & gardens

## Turn End

is one of three village houses, The Turn, Middle Turn & Turn End, designed and built by architect Peter Aldington in the 1960s. As modern housing, made of wood, concrete block and glass, the group has always been celebrated as a rare British representative amongst the best of European housing.

The three houses were awarded the Royal Institute of British Architects Award for Architecture in 1970. Now listed at grade 2\*, only 12 post war houses are so designated.

## Turn End Garden

was created as a natural extension to the house and has grown with the buildings, maturing into an internationally renowned garden, gaining publicity through television and the many articles that have been written about it.

In less than an acre, space is used to create an illusion of size. A house courtyard with a naturalised pool; a small woodland area around 100 year old apple trees; a curved glade leading to a series of garden rooms, sunken or raised, sunny or shady, geometric or informal, yet all harmonious and unifying irregular geography with the buildings.

## Turn End Trust

The Charitable Trust was established in 1998 to conserve the buildings and gardens at Turn End and to promote the education of building and garden design. Lord Carrington and Lord Palumbo are Patrons.

# events & learning

## Events

We run a programme of events throughout the year. These include charity open days, guided tours of the garden, sculpture exhibitions, creative workshops and horticulture classes. Please visit our blog to find out more or email us to join our mailing list.

## Group Visits

Visits by groups of 10 or more people are welcome by prior arrangement. You may be interested in architecture or enjoy a visit to see the garden. We offer an introductory talk tailored to your group's interest.

## Learning

We are often visited by students studying architecture, horticulture and landscape design. Contact us to see if we can help enhance your students' projects with a visit to Turn End and introductory talk by Peter Aldington or our gardener, Jackie Hunt.

## Community

Turn End's buildings and mature garden are at the heart of Haddenham village. We have hosted events for local community groups and are keen to help promote the unique character of the village. Please contact us to see if our site can support your community project.

## Friends of Turn End

By becoming a Friend you can help the Trust to develop the educational, creative and community use of Turn End. As a Friend you will enjoy periodic newsletters, and free regular access to the garden.

# art & creativity

Alongside architecture and landscape design, Turn End also supports the creative sector. The estate has been home to furniture makers, jewellery designers, art directors and journalists. The garden provides a venue for occasional sculpture exhibitions, garden walks and gardening workshops. Two studios located within the estate, open for Buckinghamshire Open Studios ([www.bucksopenstudios.org.uk](http://www.bucksopenstudios.org.uk)) and other events throughout the year.

## Heather Hunter

Heather is our artist in residence, specialising in paper art, printing and artist's books. Heather exhibits in her garden studio and runs printing and book making workshops using the gardens and house as a resource. [www.hunterbooks.co.uk](http://www.hunterbooks.co.uk)

## Louise Canham

Louise is a freelance designer / art director based between London and The Turn. Her print work focuses on hand made experimental processes to create abstract patterns for prints and textile applications. [www.louisecanham.com](http://www.louisecanham.com)

## Paul Wilkinson FBIPP FMPA

Paul has won a multitude of awards for his lifestyle, portraiture, wedding and commercial photographs. The studio and gallery are based in a former bakery on the estate and the team regularly use Turn End garden for photo shoots and training courses. [www.paulwilkinsonphotography.co.uk](http://www.paulwilkinsonphotography.co.uk)



"...where the architects' eye and plantsman's instinct meet and make their magic" *Gardens Illustrated*

"I would include it in a list of the 20 most remarkable and unusual places to visit in England" *Sherban Cantacuzino*