

## **Society of Garden Designers Announces Student of the Year Winners 2007**



The Society of Garden Designers – the UK’s only professional body dedicated to garden design – has this week named its Student of the Year completion winners as:

- First place, Maren Hallenga (University of Falmouth)
- Second place, Caroline Tatham (The English Gardening School)
- Third place, Lynne Pemberton (Garden Design School)

The prestigious award is given out annually by the Society and is open to all of its 400 plus student members. The SGD Student of the Year Award aims to encourage competition participation at an early stage in new careers as well as raising design standards ever higher – a key mission for the Society.

The Award was judged by a panel of senior Registered Members of the SGD who represent a wealth of experience in teaching garden design as well as designing competition gardens. Each entry consisted of a full presentation plan, client brief, planting plan and appropriate visuals.

The winning students will be given a design book of their choice, a year’s free subscription to the Society and will have their designs reproduced on the Society’s website at [www.sgd.org.uk](http://www.sgd.org.uk). They will receive free entry to the high-profile SGD Autumn Conference on November 3<sup>rd</sup> in London where their winning entries will be on display. The designs will also be featured in the Society’s influential *Garden Design Journal*, the official magazine for garden design professionals.

Peter Thomas, chairman of the SGD said “The standard of entries this year has been incredibly impressive. This can only bode well for the future of this growing industry.”

## **The Society of Garden Designers**

The Society of Garden Designers was established in 1981 and is the only professional body in the UK dedicated solely to garden design. It is active both nationally and internationally, promoting its aims through its journal, workshops, seminars, conferences and links with the construction industry. All its members are governed by the Society Constitution and Code of Conduct. Its membership includes leading lights in the garden design world such as John Brookes, Sarah Eberle, Christopher Bradley-Hole, Arabella Lennox-Boyd, Dan Pearson, Julie Toll, Andy Sturgeon and Cleve West.

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