

## WELCOME TO THE PERMEKE MUSEUM GARDEN.

WE HOPE YOU ENJOY YOUR VISIT, BUT WOULD LIKE TO DRAW YOUR ATTENTION TO SOME REGULATIONS REGARDING VISITS TO THE GARDEN. THESE REGULATIONS ARE BASED ON SAFETY, RESPECT FOR FELLOW VISITORS AND THE ENVIRONMENT, AND COURTESY.

THE REGULATIONS ARE AVAILABLE AT THE MUSEUM RECEPTION DESK AND CAN ALSO BE FOUND ON THE WEBSITE. EVERY VISITOR ENTERING THE GARDEN IS DEEMED TO AGREE TO THESE GARDEN REGULATIONS AND SHOULD BEHAVE ACCORDINGLY.

The garden has received the care it needs in collaboration with the ecological organisation *Plant en Houtgoed* and in close consultation with the *Regionaal Landschap Houtland en Polders* (regional organisation for woodlands and polders). Authentic elements, such as the sunken lawn and the hedged avenue of trees inspired by the Arts and Crafts movement, have been restored in line with photos from the artist's archive. Upkeep of the garden has become radically ecological, with a focus on more biodiversity. It is a garden of the future, experimental and progressive, which is typical of Constant Permeke's own pioneering attitude. The manicured lawns have been replaced by flower meadows, fruit and nut trees, and we have opted for ecological mowing management. Three of Permeke's sculptures are also on permanent display in the garden: Niobe, Reclining Memorial Sculpture and Marie-Lou, all of which are protected by special covers during the winter months (November-March).

## ACCESS

Museum opening hours:

1 April to 31 October: 10:00 – 17:30. Closed on Mondays

1 November to 31 March: 10:00 – 17:30. Closed on Mondays and Tuesdays

The garden is accessible during the opening hours of the museum. Both the museum and the garden are closed on closing days, Christmas and New Year.

Admission to the garden and use of the **garden chairs** is free of charge. Visiting the garden does not imply any obligation to visit the Permeke Museum, for which a ticket must be purchased.

Under-12s must be accompanied by an adult.

The garden is not accessible in stormy weather and heavy rain.

## SCULPTURE PARK

Please do not touch the sculptures in the park. We ask you not to sit or climb on them.

## FLORA AND FAUNA

We want you to enjoy this green environment: you may walk on the grass, but plants, flowers and fungi may not be picked and are not for consumption. Please do not make markings on trees and paths, and do not damage plants and equipment.

You may picnic anywhere in the garden, but we ask your attention for the following points:

- Visitors must take their rubbish with them
- Barbecuing is prohibited
- Camping is not allowed
- Use of gas burners or other heating devices is not allowed
- Playing loud music or shouting loudly is inappropriate

Pets are welcome, but please do not let your dog relieve itself in inappropriate places and always remove dog waste. Bring enough bags. And always keep your dog on a leash.  
You cannot swim in the pond at the bottom of the garden. Do not let your pet swim in it either.

## TRANSPORT

- All motorised vehicles are prohibited in the garden, with the exception of motorised vehicles for the disabled.
- If you come by bicycle, electric bike or scooter, please park it in the spaces provided at the front of the construction workshop during the opening hours of the garden. Your vehicle must be secured to avoid theft.
- Wheelchairs and prams are allowed in the garden. Prams must not be left unattended in the garden.

## PHOTOGRAPHY

Both the garden and the sculptures in the garden may be photographed. However, if photographs are taken for professional purposes, written permission must be requested beforehand from [info@permekemuseum.be](mailto:info@permekemuseum.be). Permeke's oeuvre is no longer subject to copyright. If temporary installations are involved, the applicant must check whether copyright applies. Payment of the copyright due is the responsibility of the applicant and cannot under any circumstances be recovered from the Permeke Museum or Mu.ZEE.

## CALAMITIES

In case of fire, accident or evacuation, the instructions of the museum staff must be followed. The site cannot be re-entered afterwards without their express permission.  
Museum staff must immediately be informed of accidents and/or injuries, for registration, verification and possible care. In the event of late notification, the Permeke Museum cannot be held liable.

## FINALLY

The museum staff are there for you. They are happy to talk to you. Please do not hesitate to contact them for help, questions or suggestions.  
You can also send your comments and/or questions to [info@permekemuseum.be](mailto:info@permekemuseum.be).

These regulations can be found on [www.permekemuseum.be](http://www.permekemuseum.be) as well.