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What Lies Beneath – an exclusive collaboration between The APL and Professor David Stevens

In their 25th anniversary year, The APL (Association of Professional Landscapers) has joined forces with award-winning garden designer Professor David Stevens to create a ground-breaking Show Garden at BBC Gardeners' World Live 2020.

The 'What Lies Beneath' garden will demystify the build of the garden for show visitors. As visitors walk through the beautifully presented garden, experiencing all the elements including a raised glass fronted pool, green living wall, a steel walkway and a paved driveway, they'll be able to view a reconstruction of the underlying foundations in an eye-level cross section.

Visitors will come away with inspiration as well as a better understanding of the significance of what goes on beneath the surface – the details that aren't usually on show. The garden will also help visitors to feel more confident in conversations with landscaping companies, interpreting quotes and understanding some of the more technical terms.

David Stevens is the name behind some of the most memorable Show Gardens at BBC Gardeners' World Live in recent years, including the Wyevale Garden Centre's Solutions Garden (Platinum Award, 2018), two front Gardens for the Young Landscapers Award (both Gold Awards, 2019) and

the iconic Anniversary Garden celebrating the BBC Two *Gardeners' World's* 50th anniversary year (Gold Award, 2017).

The APL team and David Stevens will be on hand throughout all four days of the event to advise and guide visitors through the process of creating their own dream garden and share their wealth of knowledge. Visitors will come away feeling more confident about working with contractors, and how to understand terminology as well as the importance, and costs of, good preparation and sound construction. Marshalls and Rolawn are both garden product suppliers, with Marshalls supplying products from their domestic range and Rolawn supplying their turf and topsoil.

BBC Gardeners' World Live takes place from 18 to 21 June 2020 at The NEC Birmingham. For tickets and Show information visit www.bbcgardenersworldlive.com

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For Press Accreditation and to attend the Show Gardens Preview and Awards www.bbcgardenersworldlive.com/Press

Further details, interviews and competitions available via sarah.sandys-renton@riverstreetevents.co.uk (020 7150 5139). Details correct at time of print.

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