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Visit to Cambridge Central Mosque and 2026 Margaret Helme Lecture 30 April 2026

Location and access

The mosque is at 309-313, Mill Road, Cambridge CB1 3DF. There is an underground car park with entrance on the north side of Mill Road. Parking is free for visitors and there are both steps and a lift to ground level.

Please note that the railway bridge in Mill Road is closed to car traffic, so access to the mosque by car must be from the east, via Brooks Road. You can plan your route by clicking [here](#).

There is a bus stop outside the mosque which is served by [Citi 2 bus](#), from Emmanuel Street stop E3, direction Romsey Town; alight at Vinery Road.

Programme

11:00am: meet in the café; tea, coffee available to purchase, but the café does not offer food.

11:30am: go to the conference room for the Margaret Helme Lecture by Emma Clark: *"A Taste of Paradise"; an introduction to the Islamic Garden with special reference to the Cambridge Mosque*

12:30pm: tour of the 'Paradise Garden'

1:00pm: free time for lunch. If you bring sandwiches/packed lunch, you are welcome to eat in the café or outside if it is a nice day.

2:00pm: tour of the mosque

3:00pm: end of visit. Nearby, in Gwydir Street but on the other side of the bridge, is the [David Parr House](#), open till 5:00pm. Citi 2 goes directly in 5 mins, otherwise a 15-min walk.

Dress code

Inside the building, shoes should either be removed or covered with plastic covers provided by the mosque. It would be appreciated if ladies would cover their heads during the mosque tour, but this is not mandatory.

Photography

Photography is fine within the mosque but no photos of worshippers praying or small children.

About the 2026 Margaret Helme Lecturer

[Emma Clark](#) is Senior Tutor on the post-graduate Traditional Arts Programme at The King's Foundation School of Traditional Arts, London. She designs gardens with a fundamentally spiritual and holistic outlook for private clients and institutions, both in the U.K. and abroad. Emma specialises mainly in Islamic gardens, focusing on contemporary interpretations of traditional principles with naturalistic planting schemes and sustainability.