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Ron Scamp selected by Royal Horticultural Society



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A Falmouth daffodil grower has been chosen to do the Master Growers Display at a top Royal Horticultural Society show.

Ron Scamp and his son Adrian will show their new and heritage varieties at the RHS Cardiff show this April.

Ron said: "It is a great honour to be chosen to do a Master Growers Display. The RHS chooses one Master Grower to do a special display at each of their five annual shows.

"All five master growers then exhibit in the Great Pavilion at the Chelsea Flower [Show](#).

"They choose nurseries they think have gone above and beyond the call of duty when breeding a range of unusual garden worthy plants, introducing new varieties, using ethical sustainable methods, achieving past RHS awards, and giving great customer service."

Ron's family-run 'Quality Bulbs', based in Mongleath Road, has more than 2,500 daffodil varieties, including over 400 bred by them. The company has notched up 35 RHS gold medals.

Ron, the president of the Falmouth Spring Flower Show, will show their latest varieties, including 'Caratal' and 'Trembroath Belle', at next month's 109th show, first held in 1910 at the same venue as today, the Princess Pavilion.

Guest exhibitor is Carlos van der Veek, whose Dutch bulb company Fluwel has one of the largest collection of daffodils in the world. A recent addition is a pure white daffodil called Falmouth Bay, grown from daffodil seedlings bred by the Scamp family.

Carlos said: "I saw her for the first time when I visited the 'Godfather of Daffodils' Ron Scamp. She raised her head above all the other seedling daffodils facing the beautiful bay of Falmouth.

"Ron said to me, 'Well she is looking at Falmouth's Bay so let's call that name'. She is one of the most stately daffodils I know, she behaves like a queen in the garden."

Ron added: "I have known Carlos as a friend and business contact for many years. I am delighted we shall be showing some of his various bulb varieties in Cornwall's oldest spring flower show as Cornish and Dutch daffodil growers have traded with each other for over a hundred years."

Falmouth Spring Flower Show, March 23rd – 24th, Princess Pavilion, Gyllyngdune Gardens.

For 2019 show schedule and entry form, call 01326 316866 or email rgsleeman1@talktalk.net ; see FSFS Facebook for updates.

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