

CV - ELSPETH THOMPSON

AUTHOR OF

- ✘ *Homemade: Gorgeous Things to Make with Love* with Ros Badger (Harper Collins Spring 2009)
- ✘ *The Wonderful Weekend Book* (John Murray 2008 and paperback Spring 2009).
- ✘ *The London Gardener* (Frances Lincoln, 2004 and paperback 2006)
- ✘ *A Tale of Two Gardens* (Cassell Illustrated, 2003)
- ✘ *New Decorated Garden* (Ryland Peters Small 2002)
- ✘ *New Country Garden* (Ryland Peters Small, 2001 and paperbacks 2002 and 2005)
- ✘ *Urban Gardener* (Orion, 1999 and paperback 2000)

and (all with Tricia Guild of Designers Guild and published by Quadrille):

- ✘ *Flowers: Pure Beauty Pure Style* (2008)
- ✘ *Pattern* (2006 and paperback 2008)
- ✘ *Private View* (2004 and paperback 2006)
- ✘ *Think Pink* (2002 and paperback, Think Colour, 2005)
- ✘ *White Hot* (1999 and paperback 2001)
- ✘ *Cut Flowers* (1997 and paperback xx)
- ✘ *In Town* (1996 and paperback 1998)

JOURNALISM

April 1996 to date - Weekly gardening column and regular features in *The Sunday Telegraph*
Sept 2006 to March 2008 - Weekly column The Greenhouse on environmental living and gardening features in *The Guardian Weekend*.

Current regular contributor also to *Gardens Illustrated*, *RHS The Garden*, *House & Garden*, *World of Interiors* and *Vogue*.

May 1997 to Sept 1999 - Weekly garden articles in *The Times* magazine

June 1995 to Oct 1997 - Associate editor, *Sunday Telegraph Magazine*

Sept 1993 to Oct 1994 - Editor, *The Guardian/Madame Figaro* magazine

May 1991 to June 1995 - Regular freelance contributor to *The Observer* (Room of My Own), *The Guardian*, *The Daily Telegraph*, *World of Interiors*, *Elle Decoration* and other national titles.

Dec 1990 to May 1991 - Deputy editor, *Mirabella* (to Lesley White and Sally Brampton)

Aug 1998 to Dec 1990 - Features editor, *World of Interiors*

Sept 1987 to Aug 1988 - Lived and worked in Rome, contributing articles to British magazines and translating art books from Italian to English

June 1985 to Aug 1987 - Deputy Editor, *Landscape Design*

ONLINE

Since March 2008 I have been keeping a popular Blog, '*Off the Rails*' (chronicling the conversion of a pair of dilapidated Victorian railway carriages into an eco-home) which can be reached via my website at elspeththompson.co.uk.

MEDIA APPEARENCES

2000 to present - Frequent guest on BBC Radio 4's Women's Hour and presenter of a popular four-part series on Trees on Radio 4.

EDUCATION

1980 to 1984 - Trinity College, Cambridge

BA (Hons) History and History of Art (11.1).

Fluent Italian, good French, clean driving license, courses in Psychosynthesis, gardening and aspects of eco-living.