



BLACK HISTORY MONTH

Bradford 2026

*Honouring Our
Communities*



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Honouring Our Communities



A very warm welcome to this years Black History Month.

This programme honours the Black community by celebrating its achievements, contributions, progress and lasting cultural impact—helping to create a better future for present and succeeding generations. The Bradford Black Heritage Arts & Culture planning group's mission is to raise awareness, recognise the contributions and sacrifices of Black communities, and promote a deeper understanding of Black heritage, culture and belonging in the City of Bradford and beyond.

There is something for people of all ages, backgrounds and interests. Including a snap shot of events prominent in the Ilkley Literature Festival and also at the NHS BRI RESIN Network and also at The National Science & Media Museum whose respective BHM events will be taking place over the month of October 2026. Updates on these events will be shared throughout when details are availbale. All the featured events in this programme will take place in safe, accessible , environmentally respectful venues and include:

- Civic flag-raising ceremonies.
- Educational and cultural activities for schools, colleges & universities.
- Contributions from community and organisational leaders, facilitated focus group discussions, film screening
- Museum and Art Gallery tours, networking & choral rendition
- Live radio broadcasts and pre-recorded shows on BCB 106.6fm
- Guest speakers Authors, Historians and book launches.
- Poetry, writing and creative painting workshops.
- Live music, entertainment and international cuisine.
- Business, health and wellbeing advice.
- Games, sports, quizzes and social evenings.
- Pop-up exhibitions., dance and theatre performances.
- National Independence day celebrations & International conferences.
- Black-tie and traditional-wear dinner dances and fundraising events.
- Caribbean and African dance workshops. & Much more.

Our aim is to move forward together by creating opportunities for people to engage, learn, celebrate and be inspired. Through shared experiences, we can build stronger relationships and connect more communities. Black history should be acknowledged, celebrated throughout the year, across all communities, to help create a fairer, more inclusive and unified future. Please join us and become part of our growing mission.

Nigel S Guy MBE

For & On Behalf of Bradford BHAC planning group

For further details email: windrush-generations@outlook.com

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DATE	EVENT	TIME	VENUE	PAGE
Thu 1st Oct	Black History Month 2026 Launch & Nigerian Independence Day Civic Flag Raising Ceremonies	9.45am-10.15am	Centenary Square, Bradford BD1 1HY	5
Throughout Oct	Black History Month on BCB 106.6FM	Various	BCB 106.6FM / online	6-7
2nd-18th Oct	Ilkley Literature Festival - selected Black writers, poets and cultural events	Various	Various venues in Ilkley LS29 8HB	8-9
Fri 2nd Oct	REN Lecture : "Educationally Subnormal": Fascism and Racial Science Beyond the Culture Wars	6.30pm-8.00pm	Dominica Association, 10 Worthington Street, Bradford BD8 8ET	10
Sat 3rd Oct	Bradford & District Is For Everyone - Unity March & Festival	Assemble 12noon	City Park, Bradford BD1 1HY	11
Mon 5th-Fri 9th	The Real McCoy - Black Inventors: A Rich Heritage exhibition	9.30am-10.30pm; Friday closes 2pm	Bradford College, David Hockney Building	12
Mon 5th Oct	Black Men's Health & Prostate Cancer Awareness Evening	6.30pm-8.30pm	Dominica Association, 10 Worthington Street, Bradford BD8 8ET	13
Mon 5th Oct	Windrush Stories 'Don't Give Up' Pop Up Exhibition	9.30am-6.00pm	Entrance Foyer Bradford Royal Infirmary, Smith Lane, Bradford BD9 6DA	14
Wed 7th Oct	ACAP Black Studies - Education for Liberation	5.30pm	ACAP, 17 Claremont, Bradford BD7 1BG	15
Fri 9th Oct	10 Decades - Theatre, Dance, Music & Performances	4pm-7pm	Bradford Arts Centre, St Peters House, 1 Forster Ct, Bradford BD1 4JB	16
Sat 10th Oct	International Peace - Black History Month event	12 noon-2.00pm	Millside House, 131 Grattan Road, Bradford BD1 2HS	17
Sat 10th Oct	Explosion presents - Let's Do It Again - song and dance extravaganza	Doors open 5.30pm Show starts 6.00pm	The Bradford Playhouse, 4-12 Chapel Street, Little Germany Bradford BD1 5DL	18
Sat 10th Oct	ACAP Black Studies - Education for Liberation	12 noon	ACAP, 17 Claremont, Bradford BD7 1BG	15
Wed 14th Oct	Well Being Café - Black History Month Celebration with Pathway Media & Sinead Campbell	12 noon-3.30pm	St Paul's Church, Manningham BD8 7PH	20
Wed 14th Oct	ACAP Black Studies - Education for Liberation	5.30pm	ACAP, 17 Claremont, Bradford BD7 1BG	15
Sat 17th Oct	Nigeria @ 66 - live podcast session	12 noon-3.00pm	NFS Community Centre, @ RCCG 50 Nelson Street Bradford BD5 0DD	19
Sat 17th Oct	ACAP Black Studies - Education for Liberation	12 noon	ACAP, 17 Claremont, Bradford BD7 1BG	14
Sat 17th Oct	ACAP Black History Month Celebration	2.30pm-6.00pm	ACAP Building, 17 Claremont, Bradford BD7 1BG	27
Sat 17th Oct	Paint'n'Sip with artist Soraya Grayston	3.00pm-5.00pm	ACAP, 17 Claremont, Bradford BD7 1BG	28
Sat 17th Oct	BRAVE Presents - workshops, drop-ins and live performances	3.00pm-8.30pm	Bradford Arts Centre, St Peters House, 1 Forster Court, Bradford BD1 4JB	21-26
Sun 18th Oct	Walking Cricket - a fun activity for everyone to enjoy	11.00am-1.00pm	Park Avenue Bradford Dome, Powell Avenue, Little Horton BD5 9LP	29

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Wed 21st Oct	University of Bradford Black History Month Celebration Event	10.00am-3.00pm	Norcroft Centre, University of Bradford	30
Wed 21st Oct	ACAP Black Studies - Education for Liberation	5.30pm	ACAP, 17 Claremont, Bradford BD7 1BG	15
Fri 23rd Oct	ACAP All Star Black History Month - culture, performances, food and community	5.00pm-8.00pm	Bolton Woods Community Centre 71 Livingstone Rd, Bradford BD2 1BD	31
Fri 23rd Oct	Unity in the Community - 5th Anniversary Celebration	6.00pm-late	Dominica Association, 10 Worthington Street Bradford BD8 8ET	32
Sat 24th Oct	Black Brain Health Across Generations	12 noon-3pm	Cartwright Hall, Lister Park, Bradford BD9 4NS	33
Sat 24th Oct	ACAP Black Studies - Education for Liberation	12 noon	ACAP, 17 Claremont, Bradford BD7 1BG	15
Sat 24th Oct	ACAP Reggae Reggae Bingo	7pm-10.30pm	ACAP, 17 Claremont, Bradford BD7 1BG	34
Tue 27th Oct	ACAP Sensory Oasis - for neurodivergent children and families	10.30am-12 noon	ACAP, 17 Claremont, Bradford BD7 1BG	35
Wed 28th Oct	ACAP Sensory Oasis - for neurodivergent children and families	10.30am-12 noon	ACAP, 17 Claremont, Bradford BD7 1BG	36
Wed 28th Oct	ACAP Black Studies - Education for Liberation	5.30pm	ACAP, 17 Claremont, Bradford BD7 1BG	15
Thu 29th Oct	ACAP Sensory Oasis - for neurodivergent children and families	10.30am-12 noon	ACAP, 17 Claremont, Bradford BD7 1BG	37
Fri 30th Oct	Windrush International Conference 2026	Registration 8.00am; Conference 9.00am-5pm	Edgbaston Park Hotel & Conference Centre, 53 Edgbaston Park Rd, Banqueting Hall, City Hall, Bradford BD1 1SD	38
Fri 30th Oct	AFRICA4U Awards & Graduation Ceremony			39
Fri 30th Oct	Windrush Gala Dinner & Fundraiser	Reception 6.30pm; Dinner 7.15pm	Edgbaston Park Hotel & Conference Centre, 53 Edgbaston Park Rd,	40
Sat 31st Oct	ACAP Black Studies - Education for Liberation	12 noon	ACAP, 17 Claremont, Bradford BD7 1BG	12
Sat 31st Oct	CRC Black History Month & Congo Week - Honouring Our Communities	12 noon-2.00pm	Millside House, 131 Grattan Road, Bradford BD1 2HS	39
Sat 31st Oct	Afro Caribbean Market Day	2.00pm-8.00pm	Darley Street, Bradford BD1 3AW	40
Sat 31st Oct	Celebration Choir - Song for Windrush	Doors 6.00pm; Concert 6.30pm	Bradford Cathedral, 1 Stott Hill, Bradford BD1 4EH	41
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Join Us To Celebrate

Black History Month 2026

& Nigerian
Independence
Day Civic
Flag Raising
Ceremonies
With The Lord
Mayor Of
Bradford



Thursday 1st October 2026 9.45am - 10.15am
Centenary Square Bradford BD1 1HY
A Free Event For All



For further details email : windrush-generations@outlook.com



BLACK HISTORY MONTH ON BCB 106.6FM



**Tune in for a month of great interviews,
features, interviews and programmes**

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BLACK HISTORY MONTH ON BCB 106.6FM

EVERY WEEKDAY

Mon-Fri 11.45am & 5.30pm Black History Month in Focus

MONDAY

Mondays 11pm-midnight Both Sides Now

TUESDAY

Tuesdays 10-11pm I'll Take You There

Tuesdays 11pm-midnight Tunes With EJ

WEDNESDAY

Wednesdays 11pm-midnight Tony's Jukebox / Dream Machine Radio

THURSDAY

Thursdays 12-1pm One-To-One

FRIDAY

Fridays 9-10am One-To-One

Fridays 9-10pm Sticks & Stones

Fridays 11pm-midnight Friday Night Vibes

SATURDAY

Saturdays 11am-midnight About Bradford

Saturdays 5-6pm Angie C's Musical Adventure

Saturdays 7-8pm Shades of Soul

Saturdays 8-9pm Floor Fillers

Saturdays 9-10pm Reggae, Roots & Culture / Sisters Of Soul

Saturdays 10-11pm The Drop

Saturdays 11pm-midnight Boe & Lx / The Onion

SUNDAY

Sundays 5-6pm One-To-One

Sundays 7-8pm Cities Of Culture

Sundays 9-10pm Blowin'

Sundays 10-11pm I Went To The Crossroads

Sundays 11pm-midnight The Record Shack

*Programmes subject to change.

Visit bcbradio.co.uk for up-to-date programme listings



Download the
2026 programme

Ilkley Literature Festival has been bringing together the very best writers of contemporary fiction, non-fiction and poetry with book-loving audiences for over 50 years. Every autumn, we are joined by 14,000 readers and 100+ writers in creating conversations, tackling tricky topics and encouraging exploration.

Discover new writers, encounter new ideas and enjoy a very warm Yorkshire welcome!

2026 Festival Dates: Fri 2 – Sun 18 October

BOX OFFICE

Book online: ilkleylitfest.org.uk (24 hours)

Book by Phone: 01943 816714

35. WritersMosaic: What We Leave We Carry

Writer and historian **Colin Grant** has travelled the country, listening to stories of migration, foundational tales of arriving in a new land, along with rarely spoken stories of love and loss. The result is *What We Leave We Carry*, a collection of oral history sharing the secrets of becoming British, of migrant songs and objects. Grant will be joined on stage by WritersMosaic writers Suzanne Harrington, Vayli Naidu, and Chitra Ramaswamy to transport you between the UK and Ireland, South Asia and the Caribbean with the stories they've collected.

This event has a limited number of bursary tickets available for people who might not otherwise be able to afford them. You can apply [here](#).

Presented in partnership with WritersMosaic.

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42. Melissa Thompson: Fired Up

What gets tastebuds tingling more than the smell of coals sizzling on a barbecue? Melissa Thompson is here to get you *Fired Up*. An award-winning writer and cook, Thompson is a regular on Radio 4's *The Kitchen Cabinet* and *The Food Programme* and her essays have sparked important discussions around diversity and inclusivity in the British food industry. Her new cookbook is dedicated to the al fresco art of grilling over charcoal – from grilled meats to flame-kissed vegetables, flavoursome sides and condiments. *Smokin'!*

Book tickets

Event categories → Food & Drink



62. Informal Verse: A Poetry Networking Event

Whether you're trying to break into poetry publishing or simply want to meet with like-minded verse-lovers, Word Up North's informal networking event offers the opportunity to relax and make new connections in the poetry world over a drink and nibbles.

*Please note this venue has level access but no accessible toilet.

Presented in partnership with Ilkley Tap.



WORD UP
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97. 2026 SI Leeds Literary Prize: Winners Announcement

Join us for the announcement of the 8th SI Leeds Literary Prize for unpublished fiction by Black and Asian women. Previous winners include Mahsuda Bnath, Saima Mir, Amrita Murray and Winnie M Li. Hear readings from the six shortlisted writers and head judge **Irenosen Okojie**, before the 2026 winner is revealed. The SI Readers' Choice award, previously won by extraordinary writers such as Kit de Waal, Laura Fish and Maeve Clarke, will also be announced.

Word Up North is proud to be a lead partner in the biennial prize alongside Peepal Tree Press and SI Leeds. sileedsliteraryprize.com

The link to the YouTube Premiere of the 2026 SI Leeds Literary Prize Winners Announcement will be available on this page closer to the date of the event.



109. Emma Conally-Barklem: Taking Flight

Writing Narrative Voice for Impact and Feeling

Explore writing in different narrative voices, register and form. Using extracts from **Emma Conally-Barklem's** own collections, the session will involve practical writing activities, prompts and opportunities to read back. We'll also share tips and pitfalls of the writing process and writing for publication. You'll also be able to ask questions and work with other writers during the session.

Conally-Barklem is an author, grief worker and yoga teacher based in Yorkshire. She performed on Radio 4 at the 2025 BBC Contains Strong Language festival and this year published *The High Flight*, her first full collection.

This event has a limited number of bursary tickets available for people who might not otherwise be able to afford them.



103. Emily Zobel Marshall: Measuring Sky, Unmapping Land

Decolonial Poetics Nature Walk and Workshop

In this immersive walking and poetry workshop led by acclaimed poet, author and academic Emily Zobel Marshall, we will use a cyanometer (an 18th-century tool invented to quantify the blueness of the sky) as a starting point to challenge traditional ways of seeing the landscape. Through observing the woods and moors of Ilkley, we will pair "precision looking" with decolonial poetic practice, asking: "Whose perspective defines how we read nature?" and "How do our personal histories shape our relationships to place?"



Race Equality Network

BHM2026 lecture series presents

"Educationally Subnormal?": Fascism and Racial Science Beyond the Culture Wars

A lecture and Q&A with
Dr. Adam Elliot-Cooper



Date: 02/10/2026

**Location: Dominica Association, 10 Worthington St,
Bradford BD8 8ET**

Time: 6:30pm – 8pm

Register for FREE via Eventbrite:

<https://shorturl.at/Ke3Uq>



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VENUE: Bradford College - David Hockney Building

Monday 5th Oct - Friday 9th October

Time: 9:30am – 10:30pm (2pm Friday close)



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WINDRUSH STORIES: *'Don't Give Up'*

Pop Up Exhibition

Entrance Foyer BRI, Smith Lane, Bradford BD9 6DA

Date: 5th - 18th October 2026 9.30am – 6.00pm

The project was initially funded in 2022 by the British Library, and managed by Nigel Guy MBE, Director of Windrush Generations, in partnership with Bradford District Museums and Galleries, trained three young people of African and Caribbean heritage to interview 22 Black elders of the Windrush Generation who came to live in Bradford.

This project aimed to record and preserve for future generations their untold stories.

This exhibition seeks to share these stories, to increase understanding of their experiences, and to recognize and celebrate the contribution the Windrush Generation have made to Bradford. Participants were asked to share their memories of growing up in the Caribbean and of their personal stories of life in the UK. They were also asked if they have any advice for young Black people today, of which one of the interviewees, Cynthia Rowe urged: 'Don't Give Up', from which the title of this exhibition is taken.

With grateful thanks to all those interviewed, to Nigel Guy MBE and the three interviewers: Alexandra Enyori, Olivia Guy and Grace Flerin



Nigel S Guy MBE
Freelance Coordinator
Windrush Stories
Director
Windrush Generations



Windrush Stories Experience Young Interviewers
Lex Enyori, Olivia Guy & Grace Flerin



*'I tell them I am human
just like them, I have the
same red blood as them.
I give as good as I get.'*

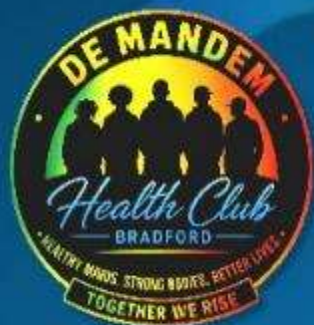
Juanita Adassa Williams (Linnie)
NHS State Enrolled Nurse 1970 - 2006



Born 1946 Belfield, St. Mary, Jamaica

Childhood





Black Men's Health & PROSTATE CANCER Awareness Evening

An Evening with Mr Raj Singh

Consultant Urologist Bradford Teaching Hospitals

Date: Monday 5th October

Time: 6.30pm - 8.30pm

Venue: Dominica Association, Bradford

Discussion Topics:

Prostate cancer risk in Black men

Early diagnosis & PSA testing

Open conversation in a safe, culturally relevant space

Free community session, everybody welcome

Hosted by De Mandem Health Club

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RESISTANCE & LIBERATION

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Black contributions in Britain and the world



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ANGELA DAVIS
1944-

MARCUS GARVEY
1887-1940

CLAUDIA JONES
1915-1964

KWAME NKRUMAH
1909-1972



WHEN

Wednesdays
5:30PM
Saturdays
12:00PM



FIRST SESSIONS

Saturday
10th October 2026
Wednesday
7th October 2026



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10 DECADES

Theatre and stage play.



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Dance, Music & Performances

**Friday 9 Oct. 2026
4pm to 7pm**

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**CENTRE RESOLUTION CONFLICT
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**INTERNATIONAL PEACE (AS
PART OF BLACK HISTORY
MONTH 2026)**

**TIME:
12H - 14H**

**Theme:
Investing all in
peace -
everywhere,
every day!**

All Are Invited

**SAT.
10/10/2026**

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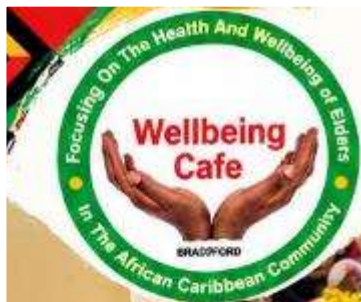
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Saturday 10th Oct 2026 - 6 pm

DOORS OPEN 5:30PM

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CHAPEL STREET, LITTLE GERMANY,
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OUR PEOPLE
OUR STRENGTH
OUR COMMUNITY



BLACK HISTORY MONTH Celebration

FEATURING
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WEDNESDAY
14th OCTOBER

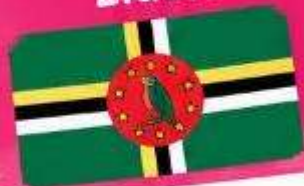


12:00 pm –
3:30 pm



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Visiting Group
**Dominica
Association
Elders**



ACTIVITIES INCLUDE:



Group
Exercise



Quiz



Bingo



Games



A warm
Caribbean
Lunch

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A LIVE PODCAST SESSION
on Living as an Immigrant
in Diaspora

INVOLVING

6 ELDERS & **6** YOUNGSTERS



SATURDAY
17TH OCT,
2026



12:00 – 3:00PM



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Presents



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YOUR TICKETS

Join us for an afternoon and evening of workshops and performances in arts that originate from Black Culture.

From dance, rap and African drumming to spoken word, storytelling and live music, there's something for everyone to enjoy.



Tickets from £1 - £15



Bradford Arts Centre



Saturday 17 October 2026
3pm - 8.30pm



Book your tickets online

<https://bdartscentre.co.uk/whats-on/events/brave-presents/>



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EVENT TIMETABLE

Each scheduled workshop lasts 50 minutes. Performance lasts 2 hours

3pm	Jamaican Dancehall Workshop with DHK Shortman	Rap and Rhyme Workshop with D3 (Limited capacity)
4pm	African Dance Workshop Gambian Dance with Fatou Sallah	Loop Pedals and Layering Workshop with Dan Loops (Limited capacity)
5pm	Sass Class - Vogue Dance Workshop with Keisha Hamilton	Nigerian Headwrap & Storytelling Workshop with Ndidi Nkwopara (Limited capacity)
6.30pm	BRAVE FINALE – PERFORMANCES (Open Mic Style) - see page 6 for details	

Drop-in Sessions

African Drumming
3-6pm

Arts & Craft Space
3-6pm

EVENT TICKETS

Afternoon workshop tickets include access to all session between 3pm and 6pm. The evening performance tickets are separate (you can buy both to enjoy the whole event).

Please book in advance to secure your place – BRAVE is a popular event and tickets are likely to sell out. You choose how much you pay when booking through Bradford Arts Centre. www.bdartscentre.co.uk

TURN UP 10 MINUTES EARLY

On the day, choose what you would like to take part in. Some workshops have limited capacity. Please arrive at least 10 minutes before the start of each workshop to avoid missing out. You can go to the drop-in sessions any time between 3pm and 6pm.

EVERYONE WELCOME

BRAVE is for all ages and all abilities. All children must be accompanied by an adult for workshops.



WORKSHOPS • LIVE MUSIC • DANCE • SPOKEN WORD
FAMILY ACTIVITIES • OPEN MIC STYLE PERFORMANCES

WORKSHOPS



JAMAICAN DANCEHALL WORKSHOP

With DHK Shortman

Date: Saturday 17 October 2026

Time: 3pm – 3.50pm

Age/ Duration: 5yrs – 100yrs - 50 Minutes

Disability-inclusive: Yes with support

An upbeat, high-energy class rooted in the groove, flow, and culture of Jamaican dancehall. Learn authentic steps straight from the streets of Jamaica; full of rhythm, attitude, and good vibes!

All children must be accompanied by an adult.

RAP AND RHYME WORKSHOP

with D3

Date: Saturday 17 October 2026

Time: 3pm-3.50pm

Age/ Duration: 10yrs – 100yrs - 50 Minutes

Disability-inclusive: Yes with support

Got something to say? Step up and find your flow in this high-energy rap workshop. Whether you're writing your first bars or you've already got lyrics in your notebook, this session is all about creativity, confidence and having fun with words.

Explore rhyme, rhythm and storytelling as you create your own original rap. You'll learn techniques used by MCs and lyricists, take part in creative writing exercises and develop your own style in a supportive, welcoming environment.

No experience is needed, just bring your ideas, your energy and get ready to make some noise!

All children must be accompanied by an adult.

GAMBIAN AFRICAN DANCE WORKSHOP

with Fatou Sallah

Date: Saturday 17 October 2026

Time: 4pm – 4.50pm

Age/ Duration: 5yrs – 100yrs - 50 Minutes

Disability-inclusive: Yes

Gambian dance is full of energy: fast footwork, bold hip and shoulder movements, and rhythms that pull you straight into the beat. It grew out of everyday community life, with different steps and styles for weddings, naming ceremonies and harvest celebrations, all driven by the powerful polyrhythms of sabar and djembe drumming.

Fatou will guide you through the moves, the music and the stories behind them, showing how dance has always been a way for communities to celebrate together. No experience needed, no perfect moves required. Just bring your energy and be ready to laugh, sweat a little, and connect with the rhythm.

All children must be accompanied by an adult.



Photo Credit - David Lindsay



Photo Credit - D3



Photo Credit - Fatou Sallah

WORKSHOPS



LIVE LOOP PEDAL & BEAT MAKING WORKSHOP with Dan Loops

Date: Saturday 17 October 2026

Time: 4pm - 4.50pm

Suitable: 10yrs - 100yrs - 50 Minutes

Disability-inclusive: Yes with support

Discover how a loop pedal can transform your voice, beats and ideas into live music. Led by musician and live looper Dan Loops. This hands-on workshop introduces the basics of live looping, showing you how to layer sounds, rhythms and vocals to build original tracks in real time.

Whether you're into rap, singing, spoken word or simply curious about music technology, you'll have the chance to experiment with the equipment, create your own loops and see how simple ideas can grow into full performances. No previous musical experience is needed.

All children must be accompanied by an adult.

SASS CLASS - VOGUE DANCE WORKSHOP with Keisha Hamilton

Date: Saturday 17 October 2026

Time: 5pm - 5.50pm

Age/ Duration: 5yrs - 100yrs - 50 Minutes

Disability-inclusive: Yes

Sass Class is all about confidence, self-expression and owning your unique style. Whether you're a complete beginner or love to dance, you'll be guided through the foundations of Vogue Femme while discovering your own flow, attitude and presence.

Unleash your inner diva in this dance workshop inspired by Vogue Femme (a dance style rooted in Black queer culture and the ballroom scene).

All children must be accompanied by an adult.

NIGERIAN HEADWRAP AND STORYTELLING WORKSHOP with Ndidi Nkwopara

Date: Saturday 17th October 2026

Time: 5pm-5.50pm

Age / Duration: 5yrs - 100yrs - 50 Minutes

Disability-inclusive: Yes with support

Ndidi will share traditional Nigerian stories to delight and inspire, alongside guiding you through the beautiful art of head wrapping. Blending storytelling with hands-on learning, this session celebrates heritage and imagination in equal measure. Perfect for families and individuals, it's open to everyone aged 5 years to 100 years.

All children must be accompanied by an adult.



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DROP IN SESSIONS



AFRICAN DRUMMING (DROP-IN WORKSHOP) with Khula African Arts

Date: Saturday 17th October 2026

Time: Drop in anytime between 3pm-6pm

Age/ Duration: 5 yrs to 100 yrs - 15-20 mins (Drop-in)

Disability-inclusive: Yes with support

This is a drop-in workshop. Stop by any time between 3pm - 6pm. Get ready to feel the rhythm! Join this fun, hands-on introduction to African drumming, where you'll learn to play two classic rhythms.

Explore the energy of traditional Kuku and Ewe rhythms in a call-and-response style. You will be guided by an expert who will call out each rhythm, making it easy to follow.

No experience necessary, just bring your hands, your energy, and your enthusiasm! You'll leave the session feeling like a pro, with the joy of rhythm pumping through your veins.

All children must be accompanied by an adult.

ARTS AND CRAFT SPACE (DROP-IN WORKSHOP)



Date: Saturday 17 October 2026

Time: Drop in 3pm - 6pm

Age/ Duration: All Ages - As long as you like

Disability-inclusive: Yes

This is an unfacilitated drop-in workshop, stop by any time between 3pm - 6pm. Take a moment away from the busy festival and drop into our relaxed creative space. Inspired by Black arts, culture and creativity, this self-led activity area invites visitors to explore, make and create at their own pace.

With a selection of creative materials and activities to choose from, this is a welcoming space for all ages to slow down, get creative and enjoy a quieter side of the festival. No experience is needed, and there's no pressure to finish a piece; simply drop in whenever you like and spend as much time as you choose creating.

All children must be accompanied by an adult.

ABOUT BRAVE FESTIVAL

BRAVE stands for Black Roots and Voices Expressed. BRAVE Presents is a scaled-down version of BRAVE Festival, bringing together fun workshops, live performances and creative activities for everyone to enjoy.

BRAVE is proudly Black-led because we believe Black history and culture should be shared through authentic voices and lived experience. We welcome people of all backgrounds, ethnicities, ages and abilities.

BRAVE, it is for everyone, because we believe that Black History is so fun that it needs to be shared!

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Karol Wyszynski



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Wilkins



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Pishdaad
Modareesi
Chahardehi



Photo
Credit
Joanna
Klu



BRAVE FINALE - PERFORMANCE

PERFORMANCE: BRAVE FINALE – OPEN MIC STYLE SHOWCASE

Date: Saturday 17 October 2026

Time: 6.30pm – 8.30pm

Suitable: All Ages

Duration: 120 Minutes

Disability-inclusive: Yes, ear defenders might be required

Join us for our BRAVE Presents Finale!

Hosted in an open mic style, this showcase boasts an exciting line-up of artists spanning rap, spoken word, live looping, acoustic music and soulful vocals. Expect thought-provoking lyrics, powerful storytelling, infectious energy and incredible musicianship as each artist brings their own unique style to the stage.

Featuring performances from (pictured to the left):

Martin Scott – Acoustic set with a rich and beautiful voice.

Mofetoluwa Fasanya – Powerful spoken word exploring Black culture, identity and lived experience.

D3 – High-energy rap with commanding stage presence and razor-sharp delivery.

Dan Loops – A unique blend of rap, singing, guitar and live looping, creating full soundscapes in real time.

Joanna Klu – Soulful vocals that captivate audiences with warmth, emotion and outstanding musicality.

To round off the evening, audience members may even have the opportunity to step up to the mic and share their own music, poetry or spoken word, making this a true celebration of community, creativity and the voices that make BRAVE.

At BRAVE Festival, we champion authentic Black voices and creative freedom. Some performances may include strong language or explore themes relating to identity, racism, inequality or lived experience. Families are warmly welcomed, and we encourage parents and carers to use their discretion when selecting performances for younger audience members.

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

Come & celebrate Black
culture community at ACAP!



SATURDAY 17TH
OCTOBER 2026
2.30pm - 6pm



ACAP BUILDING
17 CLAREMONT
BRADFORD BD7 1BG

Paint'n'Sip with Sorayah • Stalls
African-Caribbean Food • Music
T Shirt & Tote printing workshop
Live Performances • Yoga Taster





ACAP BLACK HISTORY MONTH EVENT

PAINT'N'SIP

With artist Soraya Grayston

Saturday 17th October
3pm-5pm for this session, the full
ACAP event is 2.30 - 6pm)

Join us for a special edition of
Paint'n'Sip - a guided painting
class with artist Soraya Grayston

Theme: Black Identity +
Culture and wellbeing



instagram : @HuesofSG



LIMITED SPOTS!
FIRST COME FIRST SERVE!
TO REGISTER INTEREST,
PLEASE EMAIL:
LEX@ACAP.ORG.UK

WALKING CRICKET

AS PART OF
**BLACK
HISTORY
MONTH**

A FUN ACTIVITY FOR EVERYONE TO ENJOY!

A fun, friendly and inclusive way to stay active, meet new people and enjoy the game we all love.



**WALK, PLAY,
HAVE FUN!**



**EVERYONE
IS WELCOME**



**GREAT FOR ALL
AGES AND ABILITIES**



**NO EXPERIENCE
NEEDED!**

Park Avenue Bradford
Dome, Powell Avenue,
Little Horton BD5 9LP



HORTON PARK



11:00 AM – 1:00 PM



SUNDAY 18TH OCTOBER 2026

**JUST
TURN UP!**
NO NEED TO BOOK

JUST TURN UP ON
THE 18TH AT 11:00

ORGANISED BY



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HONOURING THE PAST
INSPIRING THE FUTURE



**YORKSHIRE
CRICKET**

**COME ALONG, GET ACTIVE AND CELEBRATE COMMUNITY,
TOGETHER WE PLAY, TOGETHER WE THRIVE!**

BLACK HISTORY MONTH ²⁰²⁶

CELEBRATION EVENT

HONOURING OUR
THEME: COMMUNITIES

Includes
screening & panel
discussion of
Tom Harmer's
acclaimed short
film documentary
'PAINTED'



Join us as we bring colleagues, students, and community partners together to recognise, celebrate, and reflect on the contributions, achievements, and rich cultural heritage of Black communities.

WEDNESDAY, 21 OCT.

10:00am - 3:00pm

**Norcroft Centre
University of Bradford**

**Let's Celebrate
Together!**

Celebrate Black History Month with a vibrant day of inspiring community speakers, uplifting choir performances, a vibrant fashion show, delicious food, and exhibitions from local businesses brought to you by the University of Bradford and the Trust.

If you would like to hold a stall on the day to promote your services, please reach out to equality@bradford.ac.uk

GUEST SPEAKERS



Yvonne Stocks DL

Founder & CEO at
Palm Cove Society CIC



Charles Dacres

Director at Bradford
Hate Crime Alliance

Places are limited, to attend
scan the QR Code to register
via the eventbrite page.



Scan to book!



BLACK HISTORY MONTH



**FRIDAY 23rd OCT
2026 - 5-8pm**



**BOLTON WOODS
COMMUNITY CENTRE**

Join us for an evening of culture:
Dance, singing, rap, spoken word
performances, Afro-Caribbean food,
community and unity!

FREE

To register interest, please email
candice@allstarents.co.uk



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SIMONE LISA KENNEDY

International Singer

Coming Direct From London
To Entertain Our Community

5 Celebrating UITC 5th
YEAR ANNIVERSARY

Games, Prizes & Entertainment

**A NIGHT NOT TO
BE MISSED!**



Held at
**The DA • 6.30pm
Kick Off**

Friday 23rd October
Best Dressed Prizes
• Entry £10.00

Food and Drink Included
• For This Special Evening

6pm – till Late



THE BLACK HEALTH FORUM & BRADFORD DISTRICT MUSEUMS AND GALLERIES PRESENTS

Black Brain Health Across Generations



AN EXHIBITION OF ART, LEARNING & COMMUNITY

Artwork created by Bradford's Black African and Caribbean communities, exploring experiences and conversations around dementia, lifestyle and brain health.

24 **OCTOBER**
2026
12PM - 3PM

CARTWRIGHT HALL
LISTER PARK
BRADFORD BD9 4NS

IN COLLABORATION WITH



**Bradford
District
Museums
& Galleries**

**ALZHEIMER'S
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BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND FOR BHM 2026

REGGAE REGGAE *Bingo*

Name that Chuuuune!



*A night of
Pure Fun*

Get ready to sing your heart out
and win some cool prizes!

Saturday, 24th Oct 2026
7PM - 10:30PM

at ACAP, 17 Claremont,
Bradford, BD7 1BG

Hosted by the one
and only - 'Big Big 45'

To register please contact us:
07534 649467 or email
claudia@acap.org.uk



ACAP
AFRICAN CARIBBEAN ACHIEVEMENT PROJECT



LAUNCH OF

SENSORY OASIS

DURING THE **SENDIVERSE** FESTIVAL

A calm space to explore, play & connect

Inclusion, Belonging, Connection.

EVERY CHILD MATTERS.
EVERY FAMILY MATTERS.



27TH • 28TH • 29TH
OCTOBER



10:30 AM - 12:00 PM



Explore at your own pace



Sensory-friendly activities



Space to connect



Parents are heard too



For Black autistic & neurodivergent children and their families

We understand that every child **experiences the world differently.**

Sensory Oasis is a flexible, sensory-informed and inclusive environment where children can explore and participate in ways that feel comfortable for them.

NO PRESSURE. NO EXPECTATIONS.

Just space to be.

Parents and carers are welcome to stay, relax, connect and share experiences in a **supportive, listening space.**



Scan for more info



ACAP
17 Claremont
Bradford
BD7 1BG



MORE INFORMATION

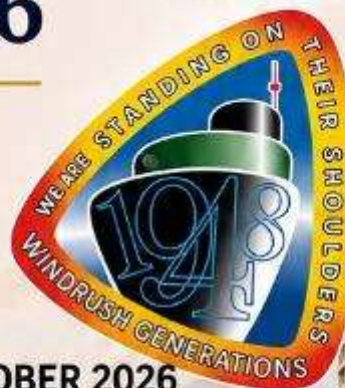
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WINDRUSH INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE 2026



Windrush National
Organisation

*Honouring the legacy.
Finding solutions.
Building justice.*



FRIDAY 30 OCTOBER 2026



**EDGBASTON PARK HOTEL
& CONFERENCE CENTRE**

Edgbaston Road, Birmingham, B15 2RS



**REGISTRATION
8:00 AM**



**CONFERENCE
9:00 AM – 4:30 PM**

IN ATTENDANCE



Home Office
Windrush Teams



The Windrush
Commissioner



The
Adjudicator



The Parliamentary
Ombudsman
Service



The Passport
Office



Campaigners



Victims



Advocates



Legal Clinics
and
Organisations

DELEGATE RATES

**EARLY BIRD
LIMITED**

£20

Ends: 31 August 2026

STANDARD RATE

£40

Ends: 30 September 2026

LATE RATE

£60

From: 1 October 2026



STALLS AVAILABLE

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*Together, let's ensure justice, restoration
and recognition for the Windrush Generation.*



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Bringing people together to
empower, educate and celebrate their stories



AFRICA4U AWARDS FOR AFRICANS IN WEST YORKSHIRE

AND

The Purpose Driven

**PUBLIC SPEAKING
GRADUATION CEREMONY**



DATE

Friday the 30th of
October 2026
at 5pm on the dot.



VENUE

Banqueting Hall,
City Hall, Bradford
BD1 1SD

*Come and be part of this
amazing event.*



For more information contact

Tony on +447882809005



Windrush National Organisation

Windrush Gala Dinner & Fundraiser

Friday 30th October 2026



Edgbaston Park Hotel & Conference Centre
Edgbaston Road, Birmingham, B15 2RS

PERFORMANCE BY

★ **JAKI** ★
GRAHAM

★ **Windrush 75 Legacy
Celebration Choir**

★ HOSTED BY

★ **John Simmit**

★ MUSICALLY ENTERTAINED BY

★ **Jus I Roadshow
and Magic Sounds**



Drinks Reception
6.30pm



Dinner Served
at 7.15pm



Carriages
at 1.00am

FANTASTIC 3 COURSE MEAL



**Tickets £70.00 each
or tables of 10 £630.00**

directly available from WNO.
Tickets also available at Eventbrite



For further information email
windrushnationalorganisation@gmail.com



www.cr-conflict.org

**CENTRE RESOLUTION CONFLICT
(CRC) INVITES YOU TO:**

**BLACK HISTORY MONTH &
CONGO WEEK 2026**

**TIME:
12H - 14H**

**Theme:
Honouring Our
Communities -
Focus On Local
Stories!**

All Are Invited

**SAT.
31/10/2026**

**Venue: Millside House, 131
Grattan Road, Bradford BD1 2HS**

Please arrive on time: 11:45am. Any
question? Please WhatsApp Papa
Ben Mussanzi

07473492999

BLACK HISTORY MONTH 2026

HONOURING OUR COMMUNITIES

AFRO CARIBBEAN MARKET DAY

Celebrate African and Caribbean culture
at our vibrant community market — a day of
music, food, creativity, local talent and togetherness.



SATURDAY
31ST OCTOBER 2026



2PM – 8PM



DARLEY STREET,
BRADFORD
BD1 3AW

= FREE ENTRY =

FACE PAINTING
FOR THE KIDS



FOOD &
DRINK



MARKET
STALLS



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LOCAL
BUSINESSES



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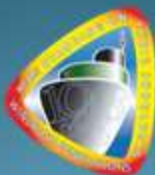
Song For Windrush

Bradford Cathedral 1 Stott Hill BD1 4EH

Saturday 31st October 2026

Doors Open 6.00pm Concert Starts 6.30pm

Advance Tickets £10.00 www.eventbrite.co.uk or £15.00 On The Door



Many Thanks & Appreciation To Our Partners
Supporting Black History Month 2026



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