

Black History Month 2025

Standing Firm in Power & Pride



A very warm welcome to this years Black History Month.

History embeds every facet of life and when recorded and told with truth and peaceful actions we can all stand firm in the resilient spirit of strength.

The Bradford Black Heritage Arts & Culture planning group & supporting partners are proud to have assembled a city wide and internationally linked BHM 2025 events programme. We are honoring the Black community in celebration of achievements, developments & impact of its rich cultural heritage for the betterment of present and future generations. Our mission is to raise awareness, acknowledge the contributions and sacrifices made to increase understanding of our culture and belonging in the City of Bradford and beyond.

This programme of events has something for all generations and backgrounds. The events are hosted in accessible safe venues and respectful to the environment. The events range from; Civic flag raising ceremonies, Educational & Cultural activities for schools, Colleges and Universities; Museum & Art Gallery tours; Guest Speakers and Historians; Book Clubs; Photography; International Cuisines; Live Music shows; Poetry; Business, Health and Welfare advice; Games and Entertainment Nights; Pop Up Exhibitions, Dance & Theatre performances; National Independence celebrations; International Conferences; Black Tie & Traditional wear Dinner & Fund Raisers, Steel Pan, African Dance workshops, Beat Boxing and much more!

Our aim is to progress together, welcoming the opportunity for you to engage and be inspired, building stronger relations, Black History must be acknowledged and shared throughout every month of each year with and between diverse cultures for a fairer unified future. So please join us and be a part of our growing mission.



Join Us To Celebrate





A Free Event For All









Frontline 1984/1985

A selection of photography from Frontline 1984/1985, an exhibition exploring Bradford's African Caribbean communities in the '80s. African Caribbean communities in the 1980s are brought vividly back to life in this display featuring a selection of photography from Victor Wedderburn's first exhibition. Victor Wedderburn Jr arrived in the UK from Jamaica in 1971 at the age of 16, joining his Windrush Generation parents here in Bradford. When redundancy took his job at Crofts Engineers in the early 1980s, he used his pay-off to buy a second-hand camera and film developing kit, then set about documenting life in the city. This selection is drawn from *Frontline* 1984/1985, the first ever exhibition from this self-taught photographer, and vividly evokes African Caribbean life in Bradford 40 years ago. From Lumb Lane landmarks such as Roots Record Shop and the Perseverance Hotel to sound system parties, these photographs tell a story that's sometimes written out of Bradford's history.

Don't miss this powerful window into a lost era—a striking snapshot of a community that Victor Wedderburn knew from the inside out.

DATE: 1st - 29th October 2025 10am - 4pm

FREE TEMPORARY DISPLAY

Museum Foyer Level 0 The National Science and Media Museum **Bradford BD1 1NO**





AFRICA4U ASSOCIATION & FRIENDS CIC PRESENTS

AFRICA4U AWARDS 2025

CELEBRATING AFRICANS & CARIBBEANS IN WEST YORKSHIRE



Bringing people together to empower, educate and celebrate their stories.

- BANQUETING HALL, CITY HALL, BRADFORD
- FRIDAY, 3RD OCTOBER 2025
- STARTS AT 5:00 PM SHARP

Join us in honoring inspiring individuals and communities making a difference.

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Congo Week/ Goma and Bukavu Crisis Sat 4th October, 12-2pm at Millside Centre

To commemorate Congo Week and Black History Month, CRC (Conflict Resolution Centre) Bradford is hosting an awareness raising event at Millside Centre, 131 Grattan Road, BD1 2HS.

The 3-decade endless war and related endemic insecurity in this strategic-resource-rich DR Congo in relation to the illegal exploitation of these resources has reached another level on 27 January 2025. This new episode started with Rwanda-backed M23 rebels capturing 2 major cities in the east of the country (Goma & Bukavu) with, as a result, the extra humanitarian disasters on women & children. In geo-politics, this episode was followed by the interest and involvement of President Trump in Congo minerals. A peace talks have been organised in both Washington (between DRC & Rwanda) and Doha/Qatar (between DRC government and M23 rebels). Come and learn more and find out how you can take action.



For more info, please email: crc_bradford@yahoo.com or call 07535881472



NIGERIAN STUDENTS SOCIETY, UNIVERSITY OF BRADFORD





- SAT. 4TH OCT. 2025
- O 2PM 6PM
- THE EVENTS PLACE, 1, Interchange, 5, Nelson Street BD5 5AX



Nonmembers£10

Klds Age 1 - 12 £2

FREE FOR MEMBERS CHILDREN

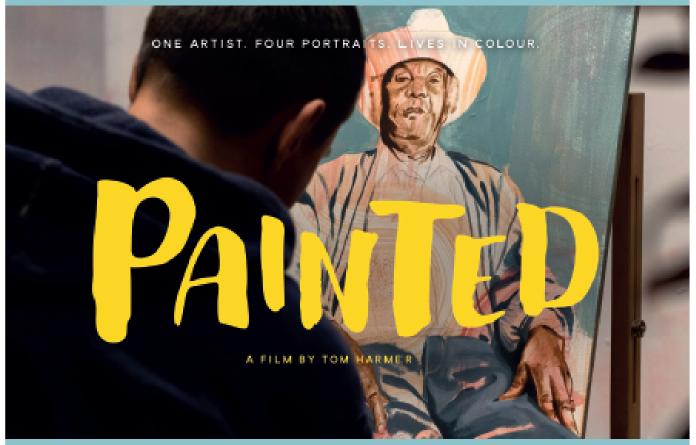
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Register here: https://bit.ly/4p80aVH Side Attractions: | AWARD NIGHT 2025 | STAGE DRAMA | MUSIC | GAMES | AFRICAN DELICACIES | AND MUCH MORE

Acc. Name: Nigerian Community Association, Bradford

Sort code: 05-03-03 Acc. No: 68027745

FILM PREMIERE



SATURDAY 4TH OCTOBER, 7PM PICTUREVILLE CINEMA, BRADFORD

PAINTED is a 30-minute documentary rooted in Bradford, exploring the heritage and experiences of the city's Afro-Caribbean community, directed by local filmmaker Tom Harmer. The film examines identity, racism, and legacy through portrait painting, as four elders from the African Caribbean Wellbeing Café share their stories...

Portrait artist Jamie Stewart, whose work is gaining national recognition, listens as he paints, reflecting on the responsibility of truly seeing someone and capturing more than their image. Through his portraits, Jamie seeks to reveal "the layers of a person," weaving their journeys and experiences into paint and canvas.

The film will premiere at Pictureville in Bradford for one night only as is a joint production between The Black Health Forum and Tom Harmer.

SCAN OR CODE FOR TICKETS



OR VISIT Scienceandmediamuseum.org.uk

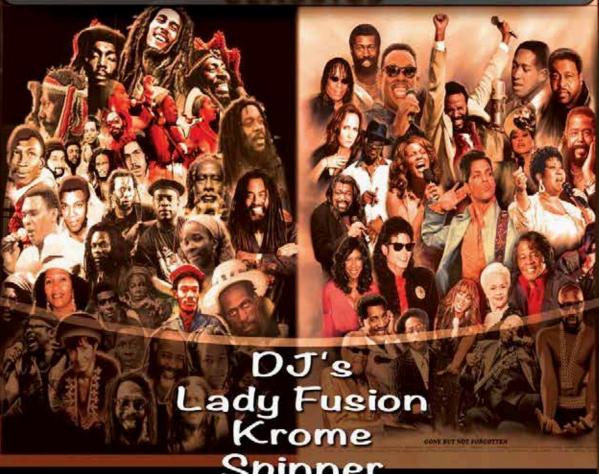




PULL UP DE TUNEE BLACK HISTORY MONTH EDITION



RnB-SOUL-REGGAE-SOCA CLASSICS



Spinner

MR G and MC Regytex

SATURDAY 4th OCTOBER 2025
9pm till late

ENTRY: £3 Members £5 Non - Members

10 Worthington Street Bradford BD8 8ET



Enjoy a fantastic weekend at

BRAVE Festival, packed full of workshops and performances for all ages & abilities

This Black History Month, discover arts that originated in Black Culture, try Workshops & Performances in Steel Pan, African Dance, Beat Boxing & much more!







BRADFORD ARTS CENTRE, BD1 4TY (formally known as Kala Sangam)

£ GIVE WHAT YOU DECIDE 📽

ww.bravefestival.co.uk







Hosted by

Bradford Arts Centre



18-19

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Free Breakin' Classes

Breakin' Workshops with Clean North Crew! Learn the basics of power moves while adding your top rock, footwork, freezes, and oin these fun and energetic own style and creativity. You will be working towards a performance at **BRAVE Festival on** Saturday 18th October.

Culture, through performances and BRAVE Festival is a celebration of arts that originated in Black workshops.

Wednesday 24th September Wednesday 15th October Wednesday 8th October Wednesday 1st October



5pm-5,45pm 8-12 year olds

Contact bradfordactivedance@gmail.com or call 07512577584 for more details St James Community Hall, Beaufort Grove, Bradford BD2 4LJ Saturday 18th October at Bradford Arts Centre (formerly Kala and to join. Performance at Brave Festival will take place on Sangam) from 11am.











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invited to join our Free Congolese Mussanzi at the Gateway Centre. You and your family are warmly professional singer Furaha community choir. Led by

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You will have a fantastic opportunity to perform at **BRAVE Festival on Saturday 18th October from 11am** at the Bradford Arts Centre.

BRAVE Festival is a celebration of arts that originated in Black Culture, through performances and workshops.

Free Refreshments from 3.30pm. Free Choir from 4-5pm

Monday 22nd September Monday 15th September Monday 29th September Monday 1st September Monday 13th October Monday 6th October

45 Thackeray Rd, Bradford BD10 0JR. Contact Mandy at the Gateway The Gateway Centre (Ravenscliffe) Centre for more information. mandy@ravenscliffe.org.uk Tel: 07840097207











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Bradford_ **Arts Centre**

Organised by Swirl









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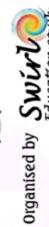
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Costume Making workshops to ioin us for Free Carnival Calling all Youth at MAPA with renowned maker Pam Crawford

Tuesdays 5-7pm

23rd September 30th September 16th September 9th September 7th October 14th October



As part of this exciting opportunity, you will make a Carnival Queen Costume and your own troupe costume.

You will exhibit your costume at BRAVE Festival on Saturday 18th October. BRAVE Festival is a celebration of arts that originated in Black Culture, through performances and

Contact Tanya for more information and to book your space. Email: tanya.mapa71@gmail.com Tel: 07824162031





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Arts Centre Bradford_ Hosted by





Lmproving Lives

Millside

CENTRE

performance at BRAVE Festival on You will be working towards a Saturday 18th October. BRAVE performances and workshops.

All ages and abilities welcome!



12noon - East Bierley Cricket Club

Thursday 21st August 11am

12noon - East Bierley Cricket Club

Friday 22nd August 11am

Wednesday 10th September

7.15pm - 8.15pm - MAPA Community Centre

Wednesday 8th October 7.15pm

- 8.15pm - MAPA Community

Centre

Wednesday 15th October 7.15pm - 8.15pm - MAPA Community

(formerly Kala Sangum) from 11am. Please let Aky know if you would like to join! aky.khan@hotmail.co.uk 07850964864 Performance Saturday 18th October at Bradford Arts Centre























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5th Sept

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Free African Art

and Painting

Festival is a celebration of arts that originated in Black Culture, through



2th September 19th September 26th September 10th October 3rd October

Fridavs 10am-12noon at the Millside Centre.

Arts Centre on 18th and 19th October. part of BRAVE Festival at the Bradford The art you create will be displayed as

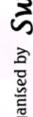
This great opportunity is free and all equipment is supplied, but spaces are limited, so speak to Flavia at the Millside Centre to book your place now. fnabasunda@millsidecentre.org

Millside Centre, 131 Grattan Road , Bradford , BD1 2HS Mobile number: 07305064822 Office 01274 409661











Arts Centre Bradford_

Organised by Swirl

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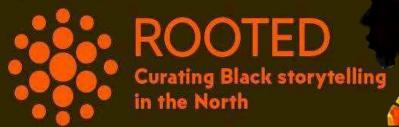
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SOUND SYSTEM: MUSIC & POETRY OF THE BLACK ATLANTIC

Wednesday 8 October 6:30pm Royal Armouries Leeds

LINTON KWESI JOHNSON Icon of dub poetry







Get ready to enjoy a good film, great company and a friendly community debate!

FRIDAY 10TH OCTOBER 2025

FROM 6:00 PM UNTIL 10PM

ACAP, 17 CLAREMONT, BRADFORD, BD7 1BG

ENTRY £5

Price includes all food and refreshments

Call 07534 649467 to book your place





www.acap.org.uk





Lack History Month Event

Black History Month Celebration Bolton Woods Community Centre Tuesday 14th October 2025

5:30 - 8:00 PM



Order of Events

Welcome

Grab some refreshments, and take a moment to settle in. You'll be shown where the fire exits and toilets are, and you'll spot friendly faces from the Allstar and Bolton Woods teams, please feel free to chat with them about the amazing projects happening in our community.

Opening Performances 🎶

To set the tone for the evening, we'll be lifting the roof with music!

- 1) ACAP Choir will open with a song of their own
- 2) A special joint song with both choirs singing together
- 3) Followed by the Bolton Woods Choir performing solo

Inspiring Guest Speakers 🎓

Welcoming two guest speakers who will share their stories and insights. Expect powerful words, visuals and reflections that highlight the importance of culture, heritage and resilience.













Learn about the rich cultural heritage & the contribution to the world of innovation made by black Britons.

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DONATION OF BOOKS, WRITTEN BY BLACK & ETHNIC MINORITY AUTHORS

AFRICAN CARRIBEAN ACHIEVEMENT PROJECT (ACAP)

BRAVE FESTIVAL

BLACK HEALTH FORUM

BRADFORD DOMINICA ASSOCIATION

CARIBBEAN FOOD TASTING MENU

FLOURISH, 14 NORTH PARADE, Bradford BD1 3HT **16 OCTOBER 2025** 10AM-4PM



PRESENTS:

HER 2ND ANNIVERSARY

DAY 1

EMPOWERMENT AND MARKET SHOWCASE DAY

OCT. 17. 2025

- Panel sessions on various funding available for business owners or CICs
- The power of collaboration
- Networking/Partnerships
- * Come shop your favorite items at slashed prices
- * Food items, meals/treats, fashion, hair/hair products, jewelry, journals, gift items.

THE EVENT PLACE

3rd Floor, 1, 5 The Interchange, Nelson St, Bradford BD1 5AX

FREE ENTRY/ GIVE AWAY 11:00AM No African Time



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2ND ANNUAL CONFERENCE' 2025

THEME:

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Pst. Tim Obeta Panelist



Pst. Morin Osunmakinde

Keynote Speaker

Tracy Sheldon

Panelist



Panelist



Prof. Engobo Emeseh

Keynote Speaker





UNIT 30 LISTERHILL SCIENCE PARK, BRADFORD. BD7 1HR (CAMPUS ROAD) OPPOSITE JANAN

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Tomiwa Dada

















SATURDAY 18TH OCTOBER 6:30PM

@ BRADFORD PLAYHOUSE 4-12 CHAPEL ST BRADFORD, BD1 5DL

TICKET PRICES:

ADULT £6

CHILD £4

FAMILY TICKET £20

(FAMILY TICKET IS ANY COMBINATION OF 4 PEOPLE)















PERSONALLY INVITES YOU TO THE RELAUNCH OF OUR COMMUNITY CENTRE

After months of renovation, our doors are open again and we cannot wait to welcome you back. ACAP has been transformed into a vibrant home for Arts and Culture, Education and Wellbeing. This is your space as much as it is ours and we'd love for you to come and celebrate this special moment with us.

SATURDAY
OCTOBER 18TH
3:00 - 9:00 PM
ACAP, 17
CLAREMONT,
BRADFORD, BD7 1BG

LIVE MUSIC AND
PERFORMANCES
AMAZING CATERING
A FIRST LOOK AT OUR
NEWLY TRANSFORMED
SPACE

This relaunch is more than an event, it's a celebration of everything we have built together and everything still to come.

We would be honoured to have you with us.

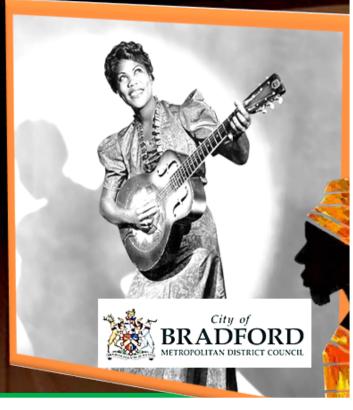


A Black musical heritage learning project for Bradford schools leading to a schools Big Sing event at St George's Hall on Monday 20th October, Celebrations gospel choir on stage led by Colin Williams, compere Nigel.S.Guy (MBE) and invited guests from Bradford's African and Caribbean community.

Pupils will learn the songs – 1
Wimmoweh, (Solomon Lindo), 2
Stand by Me (Ben E King) 3
Something Inside So Strong
(Labbi Siffre) 4 Three Little
Birds (Bob Marley and the
Wailers) 5 We are Family (Sister
Sledge), 6 Up above my Head
(Sister Rosetta Tharpe). And
about local and international
Black history through this
musical heritage project which
is a collaboration between
Bradford's Music & Arts service
and Bradford Theatres.

Bradford BD1 1JT







AFRO FUSION

22nd October 2025 1.00pm

A free vibrant black history month celebration showcasing the richness of African and Black diasporic culture through art, food, fashion, and music. This campus event will bring together students and staff to experience the beauty of Black creativity and heritage. We will put on display captivating art exhibitions, energetic cultural dance performances, delicious traditional and modern dishes, and a stunning fashion show.

It is a fusion of roots and rhythms, honouring the past while celebrating the present and future of Black excellence. AFRO FUSION celebrates Black History Month with art, dance, food, and fashion—showcasing vibrant African heritage, creativity, and culture in a dynamic campus experience of unity, rhythm, and style.

Richmond Atrium
University of Bradford
Students Union

For further info Tel: 07881809037

Email Address: nasagoe@bradford.ac.uk





Frontline 1984/1985

A Panel Discussion with Victor Wedderburn

23 Oct 2025 | 5 - 7pm | Small Hall, University of Bradford, Richmond Road, BD7 1DP

A discussion inspired by Victor Wedderburn's photography centering African-Caribbean social, cultural and community lived experience from the 80's to the present day in Bradford and



Victor Wedderburn

Jerry Crawford

Beverley Lennon

Peter Edwards

Yvonne Lennon

Mycal Isrell

Moderators

PVC EDI, University of Bradford) Prof Udy Archibong

Charles Dacres

'Director, Bradford Hate Crime Alliance)





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BRADFORD 2025
UK City of Culture



Windrush National Organisation

International Conference & Dinner Dance Fundraiser

Friday 24th October 2025

Edgbaston Park Hotel & Conference Centre,

53 Edgbaston Park Road,

Birmingham B15 2RS



9.00 am - 4.00 pm
Hear from notable
international and regional
speakers including the
UK Windrush Commissioner
Rev. Clive Foster M.B.E;
& various Government Reps.
Participate in groundbreaking
workshops. Network with
delegates during
lunch/refreshment breaks.
Tickets: £20.00 per/person

Dinner Dance

6.00 pm - 1.00 am Rum Punch Drinks Reception & Three Course Dinner Host: Comedian John Simmit. Special performances by: Paulette Tajah; Lytie; and more.

Music by: Magic Sounds & Jus I Roadshow. Raffles on the night supporting the WNO Welfare Fund. Tickets: £70.00 per/person Table of 10: £630.00

For further details and bookings visit

www.windrushnationalorganisation.com or Telephone 07947 355974



Bananas in Pyjamas

Grab your PJs, bring your friends, and enjoy a chilled evening of films, fun and friendship for young people (8-16), celebrating culture, community and Black History Month



24TH OCTOBER 2025

5.30-8.00pm

Free popcorn, drinks, snacks, comfy beanbags, etc.

Choice of films for different ages

Parents: We dare you to come in your pyjamas for extra fun!



17 Claremont Bradford BD7 1BG Tel: 01274 720254 or 07534 649467 Limited places: you must book to secure your place. Call us on 01274 720254 or 07534 649467



BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND FOR BHM 2025

REGGAE Name that Chuuya ie!



A bright of Bure Fun

Get ready to sing your heart out and win some cool prizes! Saturday, 25th Oct 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 office@acap.org.uk









PALESTINE POP UP MUSEUM





HONEST HISTORY



27th of October - 9th of November



Late events Fri 7th nov Sat 8th nov 7pm-9pm Common space
1-3 John Street
Bradford
BDI 3JT
Ilam - 4pm daily

Palestine Pop Up Museum.

14 Days to explore the rich history and culture of Palestine. Educational with Many Workshops for Children and Adults.

Food and Solidarity Merchandise Stalls.

UNITY IN THE COMMUNITY

GAMES NIGHT

FRIDAY 31ST October 2025 6.00 pm - 11.00 pm +

Venue: Dominica Association 10 Worthington Street Bradford BD8 8ET A great night of live entertainment, games, food and a complimentary drink. £10.00 limited tickets, book in advance.































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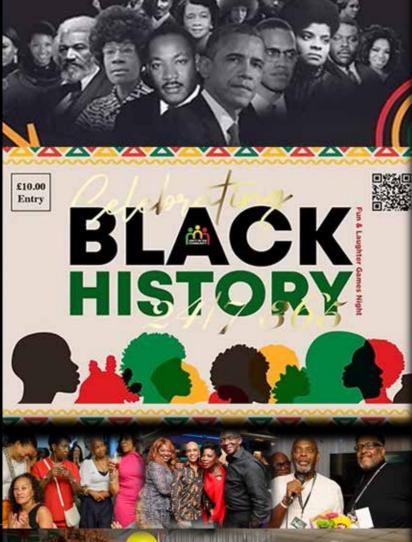












OUR MISSION:

To create some UNITY fun love & laughter for our Elders, our Family & Friends Show the importance of COMMUNITY spirit

"In giving a little, we achieve a lot"

email info@unityinthecommunity.co.uk



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