

Celebrate Black History Month this October

Hi I'm Sam, your Students' Union (SU) Liberation Officer, and I've been working with your BME Officer to put together Black History Month 2020!

As part of the University of Nottingham Students' Union, we've been collaborating with the University of Nottingham (UoN) to deliver Black History Month's (BHM) most ambitious programme yet. How? Well, we're hosting loads of events that **celebrate the diversity of our membership while also profiling the structural challenges** that persist within both higher education and society today.

The UK celebrates BHM every October, and our activities are all part of wider events taking place across the country, with voluntary groups, local authorities, NHS services, museums and libraries often taking a lead in planning local and national events.

Ideally, institutions collaboratively develop and deliver BHM to **recognise and respect the often-neglected achievements of the Black community** across society and throughout history. Not only does BHM promote the **celebration of Black liberation, success and development, it's also an opportunity to educate society** on the systemic barriers faced by the Black community.

Through a high-profile Black History Month and continued activity throughout the year, we want to start a student-led conversation on how the University and your SU can work in partnership to improve BAME attainment, employability and, ultimately, experience in years to come.

This year we'll be hosting lots of seminars, workshops, events and socials, so there's something for everyone. Please take a look at the calendar to see what's happening, and get involved!

Visit su.nottingham.ac.uk/events

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Celebrating Black culture, history and our Black community at your Students' Union





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Celebration of University of Nottingham Black Alumni
When: 5-7pm, Friday 2 October
Where: Virtual event

Culture Fridays
When: 7pm, Every Friday, October
Where: Virtual event

Weekly Instagram lives discussing the notion of Black existence and Black well-being in different life spaces

03

JOY! Jazz Music of the African Diaspora featuring Tony Kofi and Dennis Rollins presented by the Department of Music *
When: 6pm, 9pm, Saturday 3 October
Curated and hosted by the Music Department in conjunction with Peggy's Skylight, a highly-regarded jazz venue in Nottingham

04

Black Joy - Online Radio
When: 6-10pm, Every Sunday
Where: Virtual event

An interactive event -listen in to guest speakers sharing their experiences in industry as Black workers

05

Blood Donation Campaign
When: 10am
Where: Virtual event

"The Black People's Side of the Story": The Historical and Transatlantic Roots of Black Lives Matter." Virtual talk by Dr Hannah-Rose Murray *
When: 5-6pm, 6 October

In this virtual talk, Dr Hannah-Rose Murray will explore the trajectory of Black activism and agency from the nineteenth century to the modern period

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Movie Night
When: 6.30-9pm, Tuesday 6 October
The movie will be in honor of BHM

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The Exhibition
When: 3.30-8.30pm, Wednesday 7 October
This event will showcase the artwork of students from an Afro-Caribbean heritage

Online Panel: What is Black Joy? *
When: 5-6.30pm Wednesday 7th October
The event will be open to the whole of the University of Nottingham community via MS Teams Live. Sign up via Eventbrite. With guest panel

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Medical Racism with Visible Unseen
When: 4pm, Thursday 8 October
Where: Virtual event

Elia Chitwa from The Visible Unseen, a group who aims to amplify the voices of disabled people of colour, talks on this very pressing issue in healthcare

Film Party - Celebrating Black History Month!
When: 11am-2pm, 8,13,20,27 October
Where: Virtual event

Grab some snacks and your laptop as Sutton Bonington Guild brings a film party to the comfort of your flat!

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Paint and Sip
When: 6.30pm-9pm, Wednesday 14 October
Listen to music, paint and have discussions in relation to the theme 'Black Joy'

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Praising the Black Woman through poetry
When: Thursday 15 October. Virtual event
Through poetry, we want to show our appreciation for our beautiful Black women and will be holding 2 podcast recording sessions with NSTV

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15 Inspirational Black Brits in Healthcare
When: 10am Friday 16 October. Virtual event
Lets celebrate the amazing and wonderful contribution to Healthcare from 15 Inspirational Black Brits

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Online Panel: Why We Need Black Radicalism *
When: 5.30-7pm, Wednesday 21 October
The event will be open to the whole of the University of Nottingham community via MS Teams Live. We will look at the role of Black Radicalism in creating and maintaining Black Joy

Nottingham ACS Conference
When: 3-6pm, YouTube live stream
Nottingham's African-Caribbean society is launching their first ever BLM conference

27, 29

BAME Careers in Science Event presented by the Faculty of Science *
When: 5pm, 27 October, 12pm 29 October
Student Sign up via MyCareer. These will be open to students from across the Faculty of Science, and will give them chance to hear from Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic Science Alumni about their careers and experiences.

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Fireside Chat between Baroness Young, Chancellor and Professor Shearer West, Vice Chancellor *
When: Thursday 29 October

* These events are organised by the University of Nottingham (UON) and UON Black History Month Programme Board, some of which involve our students as guest speakers, as well as our new Chancellor