

SUNDAY 23RD AUGUST

2.00 pm

AFRICAN CULTURAL BONANZA AND FASHION SHOW COMPETITION

Key note address by Edmond Moukala, Programme Specialist, Routes to Slavery Project, UNESCO, Paris

2.00pm: Cultural Performances:

AVF national community members will show case their diverse cultures and proud heritage. Performances will last a maximum of 20 minutes for each national community organisation and will include drama, singing, spoken word, drumming etc.

• Kombo Sillah Association presents a story in a form of song about an African King thus:

Once upon a time, there lived a king who had a beautiful daughter that caught the attention of every suitable man in the land of Kakuyaa (wonderland). Because of the Kings wealth and opulence, every suitor in the land wanted to buy themselves into royalty by seeking for the hand of the princess whose striking beauty and elegance was without match. Every suitor in one way or another thought that by having the Princess's hand in marriage would earn him not only royal favors and privileges, but could possibly make him possible inheritors of the royal throne some day...

Want to hear more... You must come to hear the rest of the story. Come pulsate and gyrate with the rhythm of the drum beat unique and inviting to the ear...!

• The Kenyan Association will present spectacular traditional dance from Masai tribes

All showered with traditional costume of the Masai heritage which extends from the Far East Side of Africa living in the Masasi Tribes. Come and witness Kenyan Frontier, the land of WONDERS and POWER showing their pride and happiness in TRADITIONAL STYLE 'DON'T MISS IT!'

• Jamafrique Social Club – presents Brawta (A Little Extra) In true Jamaican style.

Wearing their traditional costume this group will mesmerize you with Dialect and Dub

poetry, Creative Movements Dance and original folksongs like 'Carry mi ackee go a Unsted market' and 'Mango Time'

• The Nigerian Association will illuminate the night

with their highlife cultural dancers responding to the sound of do me I do you magnetic tune. A catalogue of moon light past modern girls, born to cream the floor with their 21st century African traditional designer brocades linen attires.

• Powered By Afrika Jambo Band and His Electric Girls Dancers & Bristol Fusiondance

A multi Talent Band featuring some of the very best Bristol Based African Diaspora Artist of the past and present including Celestine Delroy Oglivie Moussa Koyate will be there live.

7.00pm: Fashion Show

The Grand Final is an event not to be missed it climax will be the demonstration of African fashion show organised by different stake holders and registered members of African Voices Forum.

African and Caribbean Girls would have the opportunities to show their legs with esthetic African designer's dresses with cartwalk to grease the night. This will lead to the crowing of Africa King and Queen for 2009 in Bristol.

Members / Affiliated Organisations will have the opportunity to put forward a maximum of 2 entries for the African Fashion King and Queen. They will be expected to carry out a short presentation (3 minutes maximum) where they will be judged on the following criteria: Best Cultural Attire, Presentation, performance and audience interaction

Winning contestants will receive a reward of one hundred and fifty pounds (£150) each and certificates of merit

Admission: Free
Venue: New Colston Hall, Colston Street, Bristol, BS1 5AR. Tel: 0117 922 3686

A UNESCO documentary "Slave Routes: A Global Vision" will also be screened at Colston Hall on the 23rd of August

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African Voices Forum (AVF)

Extend Appreciations to all members of African Voices Forum for their unflinching participation in celebrating the 2009 UNESCO DAY and AFRICA WEEK:

Bristol Zimbabwe Association
Sierra Leone Bristol Association
Gloarts
British Francophone Migrant Community Development
Sierra Women's Independent Group
Association of Somali Community Organisations
Bristol Nigerian Association
Amana Education Trust
Kombo Sillah Association (The Gambia)
Kenya Association in Bristol
The Pierian Centre
African Initiatives
African In One
BAC Charity
Expo Network
Somali Resource Centre
AI Accounting Solutions
Savannah
Africa Eye
Jamafrique Social Club - Brawta

The Legacy Commission is very happy to give their support to the event highlighting Bristol Diversity in particular young people from ethnic minorities strive to make Bristol their home.

Paul Stephenson OBE
Chairman Bristol Legacy Commission

Special Thanks

African Voices Forum is gratefully overwhelmed by the unconditional support received from the Bristol Legacy Commission to make this special week possible

For further information or to reserve a place please contact the African Voices Forum Secretariat 97-107 Wilder Street, Ujima House BS2 8QU Bristol

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Celebrating African Diaspora Cultural Diversity

United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation (UNESCO)
International Day for Remembrance of the Slave Trade and Abolition & Africa Week

August 15th-23rd 2009

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**Saturday 15th August
8.00 pm
EAST AFRICAN BAND FEATURING KENYAN
ORCHESTRA PLAYING SOUNDS OF VIRUNGA,
SAMBA MAPANGALA.**

This event is hosted by Migrations Bristol and supported by African Voices Forum (AVF)

Admission: £12
50 tickets available to registered AVF members. Members should contact AVF office or ring Billy on 0781 841 8668 or Amirah on 0787 613 2003 to book tickets.

Tel: 0117 974 7307
Venue: Bristol Zoo Gardens, Clifton, Bristol BS8 3HA
www.stgeorgesbristol.co.uk

**Wednesday 19th August
5.00 pm - 7.00 pm
FUNDING SURGERIES**

Open to AVF registered members. This event will provide an opportunity for members to engage with funders and spend quality time and explore areas such as writing bids eligibility and to receive feedback on potential bids.

Admission: Free
Tel: 0117 924 4512
Venue: Pierian Centre, 27 Portland Square, Bristol, BS2 8SA.

**Friday 21st August
6.00 pm – 8.30 pm
OFFICIAL LAUNCH OF UNESCO DAY
AND AFRICA WEEK & EXCLUSIVE VIEWING
OF THE AFRICAN ARTS EXHIBITION AND
PERFORMANCE**

Event introduced by Edmond Moukala, Programme Specialist, UNESCO, Paris.

**Friday 21st August
11.00 am – 5.00 pm
WOMAN'S WORLD' OR 'HYPE' OR..?**

This is a combination of Arts hosted by Gloarts in partnership with AVF Ltd.

Lead Artist Gloria Ojulari Sule, featuring other female local artists such as:
Folake Shoga, Ruth Ramsey, Leiza Mclead, Valda Jackson.

Many Artists have made Bristol their home for many reasons therefore, this show will present an exhibition/ installation of 4 Artist of African heritages, comments on the black Bristolian experiences working in different ways, mediums and approaches to their subject careers.

Artists will be available throughout Africa week to talk about their work. We hope that individuals families and young people will attend to learn about the future of black art in Bristol, nationally and globally. African arts to be exhibited will include visual Arts, paintings, mixed media, digital media / moving image and performing work.

Admission: Free
Venue: Gloarts Ltd, Spike Island (Top floor Studio), 133 Cumberland Road, Bristol, BS1 6UX
www.gloarts.co.uk



**Friday 21st August
8.00 pm – 9.30 pm
TIDES OF GOLD**

The award winning film about the Monomatapa Empire of Southern Africa which traded gold & ivory with India and China 800 Years ago. Q and A by video phone with Dr. Webber Ndoro Director of Africa World Heritage Fund.

This event is hosted by Afrika Eye in partnership with AVF.

Admission: £6.50 full and £5.00 concessions. Tickets from the Watershed Cinema www.afrikaeye.com

Tel: 0117 927 5100
Venue: Watershed, 1 Canon's Road, Harbourside BS1 5TX.



**Saturday 22nd August
12 noon - 8.00 pm
Cultural Food Feast & Cultural Entertainment**

12.00 - 2.00 pm: Exhibition stalls and setup.

1.00 pm: Drumming and dancing by Pax Productions Ltd

2.00 pm: The tasting and sharing of cultural cuisine from Africa and the Caribbean featuring dishes from The Gambia, Zimbabwe, Somali, Jamaica, Sierra Leone, Sudan and Congolese and many more.

Recipes include:

Nigerian cuisine - Jollof Rice and Fufu and soup. These are staple food in Nigeria. They composed of mash yam with soup well spice mix with meat cud fish and vegetable to go with.

Kenyan cuisine - Fish, Nyama Choma, and a traditional beans / maize mixture.

Jamaican cuisine - Finger licking Festival, Jerk chicken, rice 'n' peas and Ital stew (yam, sweet potato, plantain ackee) followed by a cool glass of punch.

3.00 pm – 4.00 pm: Young People entertainment include: music, dance, rap and a short play. There will also be a presentation based on the creative drawings produced by 4 young people; they will discuss their work and stimulate discussion with the audience.



Highlight of the Day

**Saturday 22nd August 09
4.30 pm - 7.30 pm
FOREIGN AID DEBATE**

This event is hosted by Africa in One in partnership with AVF

Theme; FOREIGN AID: Dead RIGHT or Dead WRONG? - a lively debate on the Value of Aid to Africa.

Synopsis: The debate, in the main, would holistically consider the various impacts of development aid on Africa Panelists are expected to be local, national and international.

The general audience is expected to be actively involved in the process. Come and have your say in a debate that is not only contemporary but of crucial importance to Africa. A debate not to be missed!

- Is aid reducing or increasing poverty in Africa?
- Is it contributing to economic growth and strengthening institutions in Africa?
- Is aid helping poor and marginalized Africans exercise their rights?

Admission: Free
Tel: 0117 955 4497
Venue: Malcolm X, 141 City Road, Bristol, BS2 8YH



**Saturday 22nd August
10.00 pm till late
AFTER PARTY**

Continuation of early Cultural Activities that took place at Malcolm X with local DJ's, music, performances you'll dance till you drop.

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