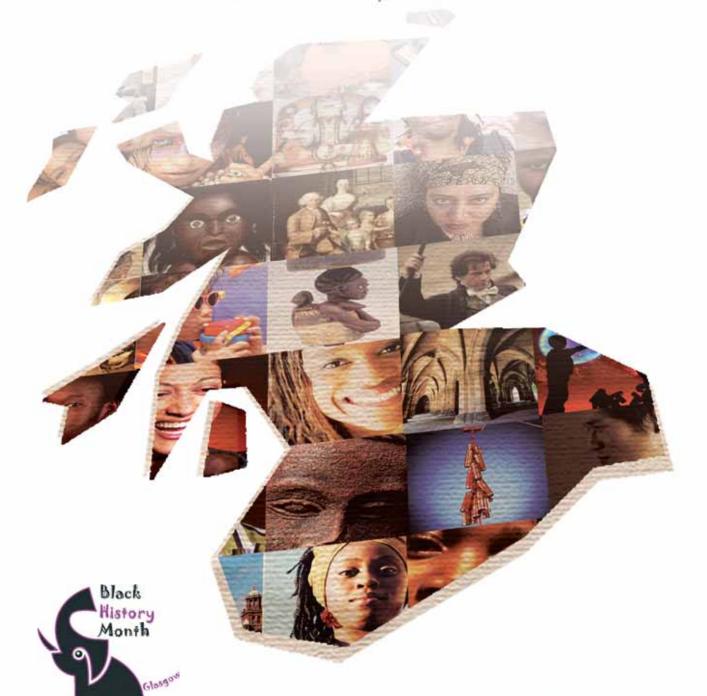
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#### Message From GARA

Black History Month celebrates the contribution of Black men and women throughout history. Celebrating Black History Month will give you the opportunity to learn about and discuss the role of Black people in shaping our history against a backdrop of racism, inequality and injustice.

October 2007 marks our 6th year of celebrating Black History Month in Glasgow. This year is particularly important as the 25th of March 2007 marked the Bicentenary of the Abolition of the Slave Trade Act. The slave trade was a dehumanising and brutal trade which resulted in a vast and unquantifiable loss of life. Therefore, this year's events will provide the opportunity to engage and educate people in the importance of Black history and its influence on our lives today.

In order to make it easier for you to see the events that will be taking place during this month, this programme of events is structured on a week-by-week basis and also has an easy to follow pull out calendar and map to allow you to easily see what is happening. There are a wide variety of events ranging from talks at the Hunterian Museum to interactive exhibits at the Glasgow Science Centre. Other highlights include performances with Heer Productions and film showings at the Glasgow Film Theatre. Therefore, whichever events you attend, you'll be sure to be entertained, stimulated and educated so come along and join in this celebration of Black History.

Glasgow Anti Racist Alliance (GARA), Glasgow City Council Education Services and Culture and Sport Glasgow hope this year's events will allow everyone to understand Glasgow's past and help to create a better, anti racist future.

Jelina Rahman GARA Chair

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GARA Director

October 2007

# Week One

# 1st to 7th October

## The Glassford Family Portrait: A Hidden Legacy

Friday 17th August - Sunday 2nd March 2008

This exhibition within the People's Palace and Winter Gardens takes Archibald McLauchlan's painting of 'tobacco lord' John Glassford and his family, circa 1767, to explore the legacy of the Glasgow tobacco trade and slavery. In particular, it focuses on the figure of a young black man behind Glassford's chair, who is said to have been deliberately obscured or painted over. Find out what we have learned as a result of the conservation and cleaning of the portrait. Discover clues in today's Glasgow to the legacy of the 18th century merchants.

Monday to Thursday and Saturday 10.00am - 5.00pm Friday and Sunday 11.00am - 5.00pm

**People's Palace and Winter Gardens** Glasgow Green, Glasgow, G40 1AT **Free** 

www.glasgowmuseums.com

## **No Barriers to Education: Glasgow University's International Students**

# Poster Exhibition from the University of Glasgow Archives, at the University Chapel

Monday 1st October - Wednesday 31st October

This exhibition explores the historical connections between the University of Glasgow, Africa and Japan and highlights some of the many Black students who came to study at the University over the last two hundred years. Featured students include Andrew Watson, the first Black British footballer and James McLune Smith, the first Afro-American to receive a university medical education anywhere in the world.

Monday to Saturday 9.00am - 5.00pm Closed Sundays

#### Gilbert-Scott Building

University Avenue, University of Glasgow, Glasgow, G12 8QQ (0141 330 4221)

Free

www.hunterian.gla.ac.uk





#### **Provand's Lordship: Talking Heads**

#### Monday 1st October and Friday 12th October

Can sculptures in the Provand's Lordship Garden speak to us about Glasgow's merchants and slavery? Come along to find out more.

1.00pm - 1.30pm

Provand's Lordship Garden

3 Castle Street, Glasgow (0141 553 2557)

Free

www.glasgowmuseums.com

#### **Hunterian Museum Lunchtime Talks**

#### Tuesday 2nd and Thursday 4th October

Inspired by Black History Month, these talks will focus on a particular topic that celebrates the role of Black people in shaping Scotland's rich and cultural historical heritage. The speakers this week are **Kevin Harrison** from SENSE Scotland discussing "Cultural Links and Black and Ethnic Minority Disabled People" (2nd October) and **Dr Jeff Liston** from the Hunterian Museum discussing

"Cradle of Technology, Early Tools from East Africa" (4th October)

12.45pm (both days)

**Hunterian Museum** 

University Avenue, University of Glasgow

Free

www.hunterian.gla.ac.uk

#### St Mungo Museum of Religious Life and Art Talks

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October

This week at St Mungo Museum there is a 1 hour lunchtime talk from **Patricia Allan**, World Cultures Curator discussing South African Beadwork.

12.45pm - 1.45pm

Lecture Theatre

**St Mungo Museum of Religious Life and Art** 2 Castle Street, Glasgow, G4 0RH

Free

www.glasgowmuseums.com

# People's Palace and Winter Gardens: Hidden Legacy Poetry & Discussion

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> October (National Poetry Day) and Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> October

Join **Tawona Sithole**, Glasgow based poet, as he recites his poem inspired by the painting 'Glassford Family Portrait' and Glasgow's links to slavery. This will be followed by a discussion on themes raised by the current temporary exhibition led by Kiran Singh, Education & Access Curator.

2.00pm - 4.00pm

People's Palace and Winter Gardens Glasgow Green, Glasgow G40 1AT

Free

www.glasgowmuseums.com

#### St Mungo Museum of Religious Life and Art: **Voices Of Africa**

Friday 5th October to February 2008

To commemorate the Abolition of the Slave Trade Act, St Mungo Museum (with support from the Scottish Museum Council) has been exploring the social legacy of slavery. Today, this can take the shape of racism and cultural stereotyping. Staff from St Mungo Museum have been working with members of Glasgow's African and African Caribbean communities on the creative reinterpretation and re-display of objects currently in storage across Glasgow Museums. As part of the project, artist Beth Forde was commissioned

to create an artwork exploring issues raised by the exhibition as well as to commemorate the bicentenary.

Daily from 11.00am - 5.00pm

Lecture Theatre

St Mungo Museum of Religious Life and Art 2 Castle Street, Glasgow, G4 0RH

Free

www.glasgowmuseums.com

#### Pan African Arts Scotland (PAAS): DVD Launch Sunday 7th October

Pan African Arts are launching their music DVD, PAAS Productions, and Fashion Line. This will also include live musical performances and a fashion show.

Times to be confirmed

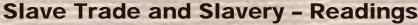
Old Fruitmarket, Albion Street, Glasgow www.panafricanartsscotland.org.uk

Pan African Arts Scotland



### The National Trust for Scotland

(Greater Glasgow Area)



To commemorate the Bicentenary of the Abolition of the Slave Trade Act, the National Trust for Scotland is hosting an evening of readings in association with Action of Churches Together in Scotland (ACTS). The readings will revolve around the slave trade and slavery. Contact the David Livingstone Centre for more details on 0844 493 2207.

#### **Throughout October**

the National Trust

for Scotland

#### Glasgow

Charges to be confirmed

www.nts.org.uk

#### This Is Our Story - Commemorating the Abolition of the Slave Trade Act

**Throughout October** (check with NTS locations)

During 2007, the National Trust for Scotland is commemorating the Bicentenary of the Abolition of the Slave Trade Act. A travelling display about Scotland and the slave trade (and examining connections with some NTS sites) is travelling round 3 sites in the west of Scotland during October (Pollok House, Greenbank Garden and the David Livingstone Centre).

#### Pollok House

Pollok Country Park, 2060 Pollokshaws Road, Glasgow, G43 1AT (0844 493 2202)

#### Greenbank Garden

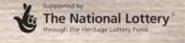
Flenders Road, Clarkston, Glasgow, G76 8RB (0844 493 2201)

#### **David Livingstone Centre**

Station Road, Blantyre, East Kilbride, G72 9BY (0844 493 2207)

Usual entry fee for NTS place NTS members free

www.nts.org.uk









# Week two 8th to 14th October

Glasgow Science Centre: 1,001 Inventions

Friday 12th October to January 2008

1001 Inventions is part of a unique UK based educational project that reveals the rich heritage that the Muslim community share with other communities in the UK and Europe. The exhibition is the first of its kind to communicate Muslim Heritage using a hands-on, interactive approach. Through multi-sensory interactive exhibits, moving models, audio-visual displays, objects and graphics panels, the exhibition seeks to reveal the amazing contribution of Muslim scholars and thinkers, over 1000 years, to the global understanding of science & technology and the development of the world that we live in today.

It focuses on the period between circa 600 to 1600 AD, referred to in the West as the 'Dark Ages', which was a time when science was in fact very much alive and flourishing in Southern Europe and other parts of the world. This exhibition runs within Glasgow Science Centre from the 12th October 2007 to January 2008.

A set of teacher resources including educational posters, a teacher resource pack and an easily accessible book accompanying the exhibition are now available at www.1001inventions.com

Normal Glasgow Science Centre Opening Hours (See website for more details)

Glasgow Science Centre 50 Pacific Quay, Glasgow

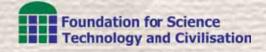
Exhibition is free with a ticket valid for entry to Science Mall

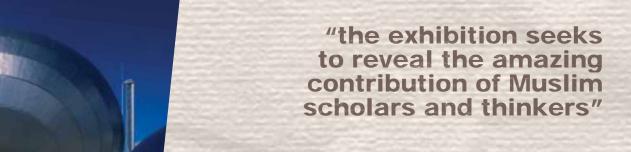
www.glasgowsciencecentre.org











## The University of Glasgow's Hunterian Museum

The Hunterian is Scotland's oldest public museum and following a careful refurbishment, nowre-emerges as Scotland's newest museum. This programme for Black History Month marks the abolition of the slave trade act and the bicentenary of the Hunterian Museum. This programme has been developed by the Hunterian Museum and Art Gallery in partnership with University Archives, the University Chapel and the University Equality and Diversity Unit.



#### Series of short lunchtime 10 minute talks at the Hunterian Museum

Come along to our lunchtime talk series inspired by Black History Month and the diverse collections from the Hunterian Museum and the University Archives. Each informal talk will focus on a particular object or story that celebrates the role of Black people in shaping Scotland's rich cultural and historical heritage

#### Tuesday Talks: 12.45pm every Tuesday in October

2 October	Kevin Harrison (SENSE Scotland)	Cultural Links and Black and Ethnic Minority Disabled People
9 October	Professor Nigel Thorp (General Editor, The Correspondence of James McNeill Whistler)	A Note in Black and White: Some Whistler Connections with Black History
16 October	Lesley Richmond (University of Glasgow Archives)	James McLune Smith: The First Afro-American to Receive a University Medical Education in the World.
23 October	<b>Dr Rose Mary Harley</b> (University of Strathclyde)	Cultural and Educational Contributions Made by Black Citizens
30 October	Austin Ngenge (Göteborg University)	Culture and Collections, Finding Black History in the Hunterian Museum

#### Thursday Talks: 12.45pm every Thursday in October

4 October	Dr Jeff Liston	Cradle of Technology, Early Tools
	(Hunterian Museum)	from East Africa
11 October	Naseem Anwar	Beyond Saris, Samosas and Steel
	(Equality and Diversity Unit)	bands
18 October	Azra Meadows (The Institute of	Kalasha, A Lost Tribe of the Hindu
	Biomedical and Life Sciences)	Kush
25 October	Peter Meadows (The Institute of	Living in Coastal Swamps, People
	Biomedical and Life Sciences)	on the Brink





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12.25 - 13.40

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AMAZING GRACE PG

12.30 - 15.30

THE MODERN DAY SLAVE TRADE

Talk by MIKE KAYE from ANTI-SLAVERY INTERNATIONAL

14.00 - 14.45

SANKOFA 15

15.15 - 17.30

CAPOEIRA

17.00 - 18.00 Garnethill Multicultural Centre

Workshop hosted by Scottish Carnival Arts and

Capoeira Master Mestre Claudio

SOUL FOOD OF THE DIASPORA

Presentation by Peggy Brunache

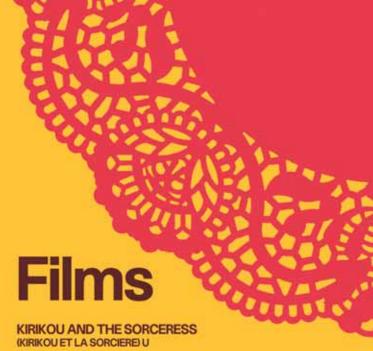
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21.45 - 22.45



12.25 - 13.40

Director Michel Ocelot Starring Antoinette Kellermann, Fezele Mpeka, Kombisile Sangweni

France/ Belgium/ Luxemburg 1998, 1hr14m, English

An enchanting animated adventure inspired by the folk stories of Senegal, his is the story of Kirikou, the pint-sized protagonist of this tale who outwits a powerful sorceress. This is really a picture book in motion, with beautiful images taken from the art and nature of West Africa. The soundtrack, featuring only traditional African instruments is by Youssou N'Dour.

#### AMAZING GRACE PG

12.30 - 15.30

Director Michael Apted Starring Albert Finney, Michael Gambon, Ioan Gruffudd, Youssou N'Dour UK/ USA 2006, 1hr58m, English

Based on the life of antislavery pioneer William Wilberforce (loan Gruffudd) and his fight to end the British transatlantic slave trade. The film also introduces Youssou N'Dour who plays Olaudah Equiano. Also a true story, he was a central figure in the abolitionist movement in Great Britain, a slave who was shipped from Africa to the Colonies. This will be preceded by an introduction discussing Glasgow's role in the slave trade.

The Glasgow Gospel Choir will follow performing hymns including Amazing Grace, the history of which is highly significant in the transatlantic slave trade. Choirmaster Jerry Boweh will provide a brief history of this beautiful piece of music to precede the performance.

#### SANKOFA 15

15.15 - 17.30

Director Haile Gerima Starring Kofi Ghanaba, Oyafunmike Ogunlano, Alexandra Duah Burkina Faso/ Germany/ Ghana

USA/ UK 1993, 2hr4m, English

The title of the film originates from an Akan word meaning "one must return to the past in order to move forward". A self-absorbed Black American model is spiritually transported back to a plantation in the West Indies where she experiences first-hand the physical and psychic horrors of chattel slavery, and eventually the redemptive power of community and rebellion as she becomes a member of a freedom-seeking colony.

19,30 - 21,30

Director David LaChapelle Starring Tommy the Clown, Dragon, Miss Prissy USA/UK 2005, 1h26m, English

Rize, a documentary like no other. The subject is krumping, a hip-hop dance phenomenom so frenetic you'll swear that the frames of the film have been speeded up (they haven't). Tommy the Clown' reveals how it developed into a gyrating dance that became an expression of sex, anger, need, competition and cultural identity. He shows krumping as untarned life. There's no way to take your eyes off it." ROLLING STONE

PRECEDED BY CAPOEIRA DEMONSTRATION

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21.45 - 22.45

Director Jyoti Mistry Starring Kgafela oa Magogodi South Africa 2006, 50m, English

Navigating the audience through the streets of Johannesburg, I Mike What Like is the visual interpretation of the words of political poet Kgafela oa Magogodi. The film is a roving conversation of words, images, text, music, graphics and performance set to jazz improvisation and action painting.



SUNDAY OCTOBER 14TH

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GFT MARKS THE 200TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE ABOLITION OF THE SLAVE TRADE IN BRITAIN WITH A FULL DAY FESTIVAL OF COMMEMORATION AND CELEBRATION THROUGH FILMS AND EVENTS

## **Events**

#### AFRICAN DRUMMING AND STORYTELLING 11.30 - 12.15

Kicking off the day with live sounds and infectious beats, local African drumming group Partick Beat, accompanied by Ewan McVicar of the Scottish Storytelling Centre, will work with children in the audience using drum rhythms, glove puppets and stories from Africa.

AFRICAN DRUMMING WORKSHOPS
WORKSHOP (children) 14.30 - 15.30 Garnethill Multicultural Centre
WORKSHOP (youths) 15.40 - 16.40 Garnethill Multicultural Centre

This is something that children, youths and even adults can really enjoy. Partick Beat will run highly engaging drumming workshops, providing a great platform to for you to express yourself while learning about another

#### THE MODERN DAY SLAVE TRADE Talk by MIKE KAYE from ANTI-SLAVERY INTERNATIONAL 14.00 - 14.45

2007 marks the 200th anniversary of the parliamentary abolition of slavery in Britain, however this must not overshadow its legacy. Mike Kaye from Anti-Slavery International, the only charity in the UK to work exclusively against slavery, will host a talk on slavery in the 21st century, accompanied by a 15 minute DVD and the opportunity to discuss the issues raised.

#### **CAPOEIRA**

#### Workshop hosted by Scottish Carnival Arts and Capoeira Master Mestre Claudio

17.00 - 18.00 Garnethill Multicultural Centre

Capoeira is a Brazilian dance and created by enslaved Africans during the 19th Century to mask martial arts training from their masters. We are very lucky to play host to Brazilian born Mestre Claudio, capoeira master from the heart of its origin, providing an excellent opportunity for you to learn about another culture from an expert in the field and loosen up some of those stiff muscles.

#### SOUL FOOD OF THE DIASPORA Presentation by Peggy Brunache 18.00-19.00

Who fancies some soul food? Peggy Brunache, African American expert on the subject, will host a presentation on the history and politics of the roots of soul food, preparing two dishes for the audience to sample. ncorporating visuals and open discussion, this proves to be a tasty event, what better way to learn about the history of the slave trade than through





















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#### St Mungo Museum of Religious Life and Art Talks

Wednesday 10th October

This week at St Mungo Museum there is a 1 hour lunchtime talk from **Alastair Callaghan**, World Cultures Volunteer discussing "Kitenge Fashions: History and Reflections on the Popular African Textile".

12.45pm - 1.45pm

Lecture Theatre

**St Mungo Museum of Religious Life and Art** 2 Castle Street, Glasgow, G4 0RH

Free

www.glasgowmuseums.com

#### **Provand's Lordship: Talking Heads**

Friday 12th October

Can sculptures in the Provand's Lordship Garden speak to us about Glasgow's merchants and slavery? Come along to find out more. 1.00pm - 1.30pm

Provand's Lordship Garden
3 Castle Street, Glasgow (0141 553 2557)

Free

www.glasgowmuseums.com

## Pan African Arts Scotland: African Art Exhibition

Saturday 13th to Wednesday 31st October

3.00pm - 6.00pm

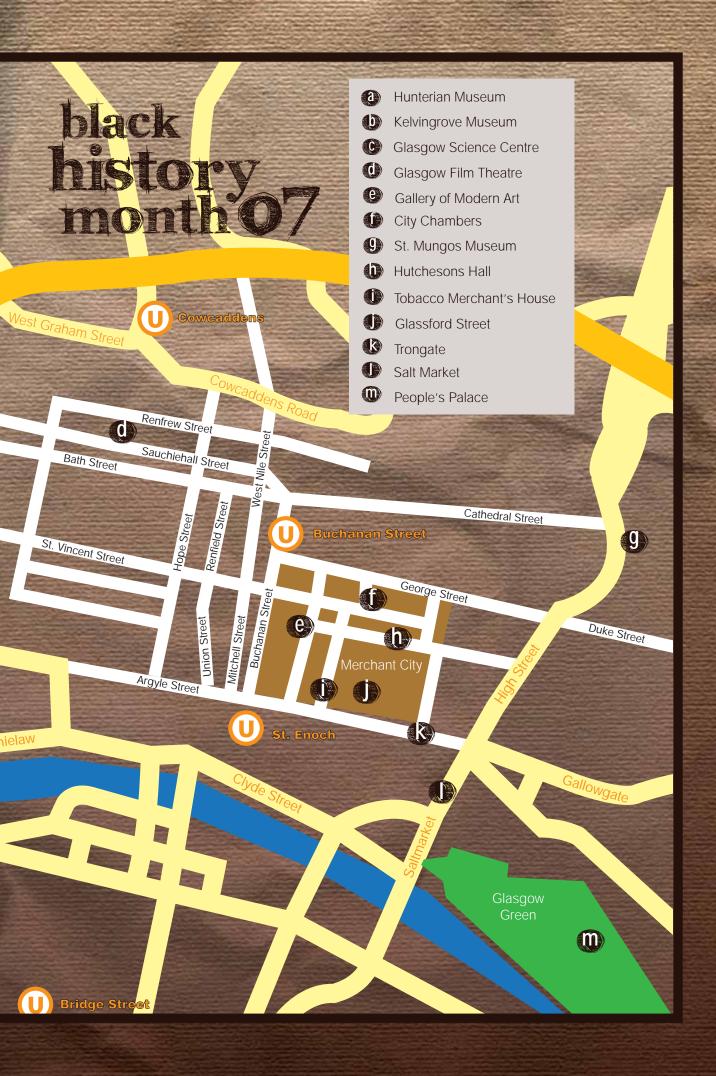
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Free

www.panafricanartsscotland.org.uk

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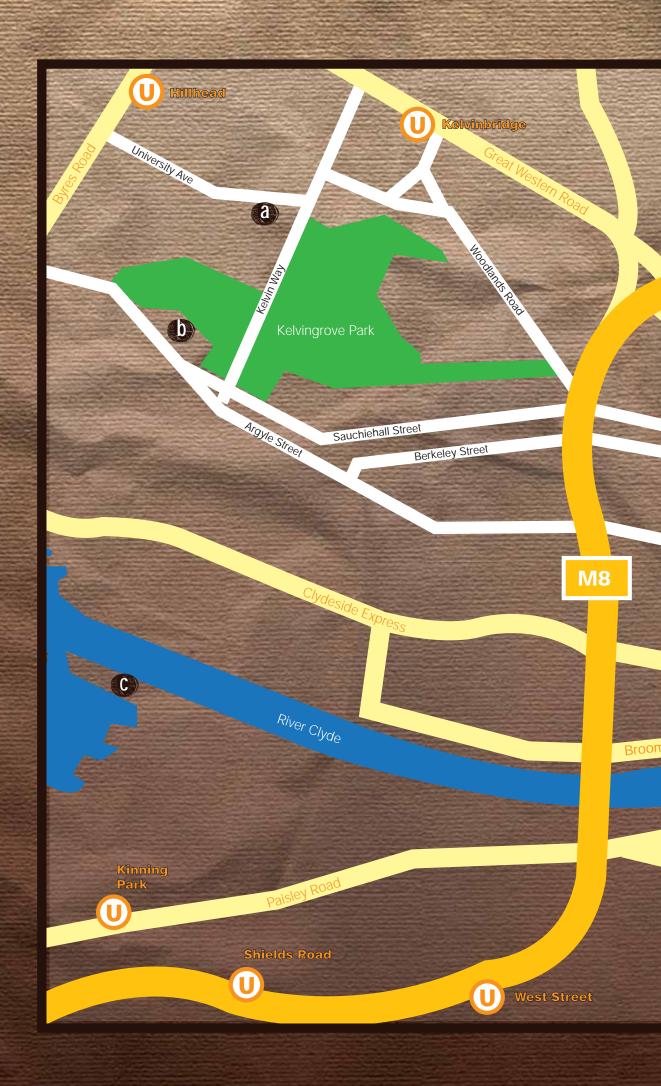
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	Kevin Harrison, SENSE Scotland	World Cultures Curator
Glasgow University: Poster		
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# Programme of events

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4	5	6	7
Hunterian Museum Talk: Naseem Anwar, Equality and Diversity Unit	Provand's Lordship: Talking Heads Glasgow Science Centre: 1,001 Inventions Exhibit Launch	Pan African Arts: African Arts Exhibition (13 – 31 October)  GARA: Black History Month Tour	GFT: Sugar and Spice Sunday
Hunterian Museum Talk: Azra Meadows, The Institute of Biomedical and Life Sciences  Edinburgh Pathfinder Books and GARA: Our History is Still Being Written  People's Palace and Winter Gardens: The Hidden History Sessions	St Mungo Talk: Jerry Boweh, Liberian Musician  Awaz FM Black History Month Weekend	11th Annual STUC Black Workers' Conference Kelvingrove Museum: Patterns and Rhythm: A Celebration of Black History Open Museum – GARA and Medical Foundation Scotland Patterns Exhibition Awaz FM Black History Month Weekend GARA: Black History Month Tour	11th Annual STUC Black Workers' Conference  People's Palace and Winter Gardens: Hidden Legacy Poetry and Discussion  Awaz FM Black History Month Weekend
Hunterian Museum Talk: Peter Meadows, The Institute of Biomedical and Life Sciences St Mungo Talk: Noorah Al-Gailani, Curator of Islamic Civilizations	GARA:Trip to the International Slavery Museum, Liverpool  26	The National Trust for Scotland Day Conference: Slavery and the West of Scotland GARA: Black History Month Tour	People's Palace and Winter Gardens: The Hidden History Sessions National Trust for Scotland Slave Trade Trail

All the details for all these events can be found throughout the programme of events.



#### Glasgow's Involvement in the Slave Trade: **Black History Tours**

**Every Saturday at 1.00pm throughout October** 

GARA is hosting Black History Tours in Glasgow throughout October 2007.

The tour around the city aims to raise awareness about Glasgow's controversial and understated involvement with slavery and its later abolition in the 18th and 19th century, and to highlight links with Glasgow's built heritage. In particular, the project examines Glasgow's rich mercantile past and draws attention to "Glasgow's golden age of tobacco", in the late 18th century.

During this time, Glasgow became a global economic trading centre which imported and re-exported tobacco into England and Europe. The tobacco trade was exclusively dependant on plantation slave labour. In addition, Glasgow's merchants were involved in sugar importing; another trade built primarily on plantation slave labour. The merchants also financed the slave trade missions from other ports, although some slave ships left directly from Glasgow. Glasgow's significant role in the abolition of slavery will also be illustrated.

The walk will last for around 2 hours and will explore Glasgow's hidden slavery history. Prominent Glasgow mercantile individuals and families will be detailed and linked to various locations in the city.

> "The tour around the city aims to raise awareness about Glasgow's controversial and understated involvement with slavery"

Contact GARA on 0141 572 1140 to book your place

www.gara.org.uk

If you are unable to attend the Black History Tours, or wish to do the walk at your own pace, an MP3 will be made available on-line from www.gara.org.uk from mid-September





# Week three

# 15th to 21st October

#### **People's Palace and Winter Gardens:** A Palace Mural

Monday 15th to Wednesday 17th October

'The Big Draw' - come and discover that drawing isn't just about paper and pencils! This year's big draw will use objects, stories and places that will inspire you to get arty! Some activities will focus on The Hidden Legacy project and exhibition. For more details, phone 0141 271 2962.

12.00pm - 3.00pm

People's Palace and Winter Gardens Glasgow Green, Glasgow G40 1AT

Free for children and families

www.glasgowmuseums.com

#### **Hunterian Museum Talks**

#### Tuesday 16th and Thursday 18th October

Come along to our lunchtime talk series inspired by Black History Month and the diverse collections from the Hunterian Museum and the University Archives. Each informal talk will focus on a particular object or story that celebrates the role of black people in shaping Scotland's rich cultural and historical heritage. This week's talks are:

- Lesley Richmond from the University of Glasgow Archives will discuss "James McLune Smith: The First Afro-American to Receive a University Medical Education in the World" on Tuesday 16th October.
- Azra Meadows from The Institute of Biomedical and Life Sciences will discuss "Kalasha, a Lost Tribe of the Hindu Kush" on Thursday 18th October.

12.45pm

**Hunterian Museum** University Avenue, University of Glasgow for more details phone 0141 330 4221.

Free

www.hunterian.gla.ac.uk

#### St Mungo Museum of Religious Life and Art Talks

#### Wednesday 17th and Friday 19th October

This week at St Mungo Museum there are talks from **Alison Kelly** (World Religions Curator) discussing "Designing the Sacred: The Benin Pot of Life" on Wednesday (17th October) and on Friday (19th) **Jerry Boweh** (Liberian musician) will talk and perform some music on the abolition of slavery, a Liberian perspective.

12.45pm - 1.45pm (both days)

17th Oct: Education Suite 1

(Please meet at information point in main hall)

19th Oct: Cultural Survival Gallery

St Mungo Museum of Religious Life and Art

2 Castle Street, Glasgow, G4 0RH

#### Free

www.glasgowmuseums.com

#### Our History is Still Being Written: The Story of Three Chinese-Cuban Generals in the Cuban Revolution

#### Thursday 18th October

Armando Choy, Gustavo Chui and Moisés Sío Wong are three Chinese-Cubans who, as young rebels, participated in the 1956–58 Cuban revolution that brought down the Batista dictatorship. Our History is Still Being Written, published by Pathfinder Press, tells their story. All three became generals in Cuba's army and helped lead 375,000 Cuban volunteers in the sixteen year long internationalist mission in Angola, the highlight of which was the 1988 defeat of the invading South African apartheid army. They all play leadership roles in Cuba today.

The significance of Chinese immigration into Cuba, starting in the 19th Century, is discussed in the book. Cuba's Spanish rulers transported over 150,000 Chinese peasants, in brutal conditions, to work as indentured labourers - virtual slaves - in the sugar industry. Thousands of them fought to free Cuba of Spanish colonial rule and later in the 1956-58 revolution. The three generals explain that it was through Cuba's socialist revolution that "discrimination—against blacks, against Chinese, against women, against the poor—was ended."

Speakers include Caroline Hoy - Research Fellow, Master of Chinese Studies course at the University of Glasgow and University of Edinburgh and Jonathan Silberman, Pathfinder Books, London, participant in several book launches held in Cuba for Our History is still Being Written. The meetings will also show an excerpt of Loni Ding's film "Ancestors in the Americas: Coolies, Settlers and Sailors"

Meeting Sponsors: China Centre, University of Glasgow; Chinese Studies Department, Edinburgh University; Pathfinder Books, Edinburgh; GARA

6.00pm (both days)

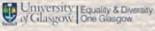
**Location: University of Glasgow** (18th) and **Edinburgh University** (19th)

Contact Peter Clifford on 07931 571 503 or cl.edinburgh@btinternet.com for more details

Free

www.pathfinderpress.com











#### People's Palace and Winter Gardens: The Hidden History Sessions

Thursday 18th October

Join us in uncovering more about Glasgow's involvement in the tobacco trade and slavery through the exhibition's themes. These sessions are suitable for all ages, but please note that some of the topics discussed are of a sensitive nature. If you are bringing a large group, please phone 0141 271 2962 in advance.

12.00pm and 2.30pm

People's Palace and Winter Gardens Glasgow Green, Glasgow G40 1AT

Free

www.glasgowmuseums.com

#### **Kelvingrove Museum: Patterns and Rhythm** A Celebration of Black History

Patterns and Rhythm provides a celebration of Black History Month through an exploration of the rich patterns and rhythms of Africa. This event will include drumming and dance from the energetic Afro-Percussionists Ayawara, Poetry with Seeds of Thought, fun filled beadwork making workshops including a chance to see the very special Pattern and Change exhibition hosted by the Open Museum and Medical Foundation for the care of victims of torture. This event is sponsored by GARA.

Saturday 20th October

2.00pm - 4.30pm

Kelvingrove Museum

Argyle St, Glasgow, G3 8AG (0141 276 9599)

Free

www.glasgowmuseums.com

#### 11th Annual STUC Black Workers' Conference

#### Saturday 20th and Sunday 21st October

The Black Workers' Committee holds an annual conference every year. This conference is attended by around 80 Black trade union delegates from the trade unions and trade union councils that are affiliated to the STUC. For more information contact the STUC on 0141 337 8100 or

email hcarson@stuc.org.uk

Times to be Confirmed

Salutation Hotel, Perth

Charges may be associated

Please contact the STUC

www.stuc.org.uk

#### People's Palace and Winter Gardens: **Hidden Legacy Poetry & Discussion**

Thursday 4th October (National Poetry Day) and Sunday 21st October

Join Tawona Sithole, Glasgow based poet, as he recites his poem inspired by the painting 'Glassford Family Portrait' and Glasgow's links to slavery. This will be followed by a discussion on themes of the current temporary exhibition led by Kiran Singh, Education & Access Curator.

2.00pm - 4.00pm

People's Palace and Winter Gardens Glasgow Green, Glasgow G40 1AT

Free

www.glasgowmuseums.com

#### **Celebrate Black History Month** with Awaz FM and GARA

#### Friday 19th October to Sunday 21st October

This October, we are dedicating a weekend of programming to recognise Black History Month. From the 19th to the 21st October, there will be a series of programming which will highlight some of the major events in Black History including the end of the British Raj, the role of Indian Freedom Fighters and the Bicentenary of the Abolition of the Slave Trade Act. We will also commemorate Black History Month by dedicating programmes to Black Music as well as discussions on a variety of topics.

These broadcasts will be suitable for people of all ages with a special programme made and presented by children called "Wots Up?" which will be transmitted on Saturday, 20th October between 12 noon and 1pm.

The Black History Month programmes will be broadcast at various times, check the Awaz FM website for further details

107.2 FM Radio or listen live online (www.awazfm.co.uk)

www.awazfm.co.uk www.gara.org.uk

Please note that the dates and times are subject to change







#### **GARA Public Debate Should Scotland Apologise for its Role** in the Slave Trade?

Wednesday 24th October

Join GARA in asking whether Scotland should apologise for the role it played in the slave trade. Whether you agree or not, this debate aims to highlight the main points through the use of key speakers on the topic. Refreshments will be available. This event is free but ticketed, if you wish to join in on this debate, contact GARA on 0141 572 1140.

6.30pm

Free but ticketed

STUC, 333 Woodlands Road, Glasgow, G3 6NG

#### **GARA: Trip to the International** Slavery Museum, Liverpool

Friday 26th October

To celebrate Black History Month GARA is organising a Black History Tour from Glasgow to Liverpool to visit the International Slavery Museum.

This museum highlights the international importance of slavery, both in a historic and contemporary context and focuses on freedom and enslavement. By visiting this museum, it will allow the opportunity to increase awareness and understanding of the legacy of slavery today. Adapted from the award winning Transatlantic Slavery Gallery, the International Slavery Museum is located in Liverpool's Albert Dock, at the centre of a World Heritage site and only yards away from

the dry docks where 18th century slave trading ships were repaired and fitted out.

The tour will continue onto the World Museum in Liverpool where they are currently displaying a World Cultures Gallery that represents Africa, North and South America, Oceania and Asia through artifacts symbolising various traditions, beliefs and religions.

The tour will leave Glasgow at 8.00am on Friday 26th October, if you wish to book your place e-mail Lyndsay@gara.org.uk or phone GARA on 0141 572 1140 before Friday 12th October, places will be limited for this tour so please book early.



### Week four **Hunterian Museum Talks** 12.45pm (both days) The series of lunchtime talks continues with informal discussions from: **Hunterian Museum** • **Dr Rose Mary Harley**, from the University of Strathclyde talking about "Cultural and Educational Contributions made by Black Citizens" on the 23rd October · Peter Meadows, The Institute of Free Biomedical and Life Sciences, will discuss "Living in Coastal Swamps, People on the Brink" on the 25th October This week at St Mungo Museum, Noorah 12.45pm - 1.45pm Al-Gailani, Curator of Islamic Civilizations, will be discussing "Islamic Patterns of North Lecture Theatre Africa". Free

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# 22<sup>nd</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> October

#### Tuesday 23rd and Thursday 25th

University Avenue, University of Glasgow for more details phone 0141 330 4221.

www.hunterian.gla.ac.uk

#### St Mungo Museum of Religious Life and Art Talks

#### Thursday 25th October

St Mungo Museum of Religious Life and Art 2 Castle Street, Glasgow, G4 0RH

www.glasgowmuseums.com

#### The National Trust for Scotland

(Greater Glasgow Area)



#### Saturday 27th October

The Bicentenary of the Abolition of the Slave Trade Act is being commemorated by the National Trust for Scotland throughout 2007. The day conference is run jointly by NTS West Region (Education/Archaeology) and the Renfrewshire Local History Forum. This conference will consider Scotland and the slave trade, with particular reference to the west of Scotland, including some recent research. Speakers include: Jim Muotune, Professor Charles McKean, Alan Steel and Eric Graham.

Following this conference, on **Sunday 28th October**, there will be a linked 'Slave Trade Trail' in the Merchant City. The guided walk will be led by Stuart Nisbet, meeting at 11am outside Hutchesons Hall, lasting 2 hours maximum.

To book a place for the day conference, or for more information, contact Greenbank House (NTS) on 0844 493 2134 or Derek Alexander on dalexander@nts.org.uk 10.00am to 4.00pm

Hutcheson's Hall
St Mungo Museum of Religious Life and Art
Ingram Street, Glasgow

£10 (£5 for students)

www.nts.org.uk

# People's Palace and Winter Gardens: The Hidden History Sessions

Sunday 28th October Sunday 18th and 25th November Thursday 6th December

Join us in exploring the hidden stories through the exhibition of 'The Glassford Family Portrait - A Hidden Legacy'. The session will offer hands-on opportunities and is suitable for adults and family groups. For large groups please phone **0141 271 2962** in advance

12.00noon and 2.30pm

**People's Palace and Winter Gardens** Glasgow Green, Glasgow G40 1AT

Free

www.glasgowmuseums.com





# Week five

## 29th October to 4th november

#### **Hunterian Museum Talks**

Tuesday 30th October

In the last talk of the lunchtime series, Austin Ngenge from Göteborg University will be discussing the "Culture and Collections: Finding Black History in the Hunterian Museum".

12.45pm

**Hunterian Museum** 

University Avenue, University of Glasgow for more details phone 0141 330 4221.

Free

www.hunterian.gla.ac.uk

#### Heer Productions in Partnership with GARA Presents Nowhere to Belong – Tales of an Extravagant Stranger

Tuesday 30th October

Developed with the RSC and following highly successful runs at Stratford, Newcastle, London and a nationwide tour, Yasmin Alibhai-Brown with Tara present her poignant and impassioned one woman show.

Respected (and often controversial) political commentator Yasmin Alibhai-Brown explores a life-long love of Shakespeare and details how her personal experience of playing Juliet as a teenager in 60's Uganda sent shockwaves through her family and helped to shape the emotional and political landscape of her life.

Yasmin is well-known for her regular radio and television broadcasts and columns in the Evening Standard and The Independent. Her outstanding books include "No Place Like Home" and "Some of My Best Friends" (a collection of her journalistic writing). Memorably in 2003 Yasmin returned her MBE in protest against the war in Iraq.

This show is directed and devised by Gavin Marshall, the tour has been coordinated by Tara Arts.

7.00pm

**Gilmorehill G12,** James Arnott Theatre, University of Glasgow 9 University Avenue, G12 8QQ

#### Full £8.00 Concessions £6.00.

To book tickets contact the Box Office on 0141 330 5522 or email boxoffice@gilmorehillg12.co.uk

www.heerproductions.com www.gara.org.uk www.tara-arts.com







"This polemical piece is one from the heart" The Times

#### Glasgow Film Theatre (GFT): Amazing Grace

Amazing Grace (Directed by Michael Apted, 2007 PG certificate) chronicles the long journey toward the abolition of slavery in the British colonies through the story of William Wilberforce, a pioneering British reformer. An inspiring and dramatic film which commemorates those who suffered the slave trade in the British Empire and those people of conscience who stood up against injustice to speak the truth to empower others.

Amazing Grace is being offered to schools as part of National Schools Film Week (www.nsfw.org). Screenings are FREE to schools and take place at the GFT on Monday 29th October, Thursday 1st November and Monday 5th November at 10am. To book, please contact Film Education on 020 7439 4880 or events@filmeducation.org

There is a public showing of the film on Sunday 14th October at 12.30pm at the GFT.

School Screening

Monday 29th October 10am Thursday 1st November 10am Monday 5th November 10am

Public Screening
Sunday 14th October 12.30pm

Glasgow Film Theatre Rose Street, Glasgow

Free

www.nsfw.org www.gft.org.uk



In support of Black History Month, Glasgow City Council Education Services are offering Glasgow schools a contribution towards bus and coach hire to the cinema. Schools are responsible for organising their own transport. For further details and to take advantage of this offer, please contact George Mackie on 0141 287 3814 or

george.mackie@education.glasgow.gov.uk

#### **One Moon: Chinese Moon Festival**

#### Tuesday 30th October

Ricefield Arts and Cultural Centre along with the Harmony Group and Glasgow Children are coming together to celebrate the Chinese Autumn Festival. This event is a celebration of many different cultures.

The Chinese Moon Festival takes place on the 15th day of the 8th lunar month. It is also known as the Mid-Autumn Festival. Chinese culture is deeply embedded in traditional festivals and like the Christmas and Thanksgiving celebrations in the West, the Moon Festival is one of the most important traditional events for the Chinese.

Activities for the One Moon Festival include: Lantern making and display, Chinese dance and music workshops and performances by Glasgow children. 7.00pm

#### Merchant Square

Merchant City, Candleriggs

#### Free

but ticket required - phone 0141 287 9835

www.ricefield.org.uk







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