WHAT’S ON AT BROOKES 2021

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A Happy New Year. I do hope that you and yours are keeping safe and well during these extraordinary times. Given the current circumstances of the pandemic, all our events are continuing to take place online. They are free and open to all. We welcome you just as warmly as ever to take part, and enjoy what’s on offer virtually.

There’s a wonderful range of opportunities for you to explore some of the most pressing issues facing us today. Highlights include leading wildlife protection campaigner Dominic Dyer in conversation, and Liv Little, founder of media company gal-dem, on diversity in the media industry.

There’s also the chance to discover new areas of interest, and of course, to be entertained. A host of family-friendly activities are on offer, including our popular Science Bazaar in February, this year’s event will focus on the theme of discovery and exploration.

Oxford Brookes is proud to be at the heart of this community, and our staff and students are passionate about making a significant contribution - both culturally and socially. I very much hope you will enjoy what we have in store for you.

PROFESSOR ALISTAIR FITT,
VICE-CHANCELLOR,
OXFORD BROOKES UNIVERSITY
Dominic Dyer is one of Britain’s leading wildlife protection campaigners, writers and broadcasters. Unlike many conservationists, he became a wildlife protection campaigner after a career in government and industry using the skills he acquired in Whitehall, Brussels and the corporate boardroom to fight for the protection of animals and nature. He is a regular speaker at wildlife protection protests, conferences and exhibitions and a contributor to the print and broadcast media on a wide range of issues ranging from the badger cull and trophy hunting, to the ivory trade and wildlife crime.

Photo by Vincent van Zalinge
Be Ambitious and Model Excellence

Redefining “BAME” as we celebrate renowned black figures who dare to Be Ambitious and Model Excellence highlighting their goals and recognisable achievements. Hosted by Lydiah Igweh, Chair of Oxford Brookes BAME Staff Network and Director of Brookes Enterprise Support, we will be joined by the CEO, founder, and visionary of the iconic MOBO platform Kanya King CBE, who displayed the drive and ambition needed to help take urban music from the margins of British popular culture to the heart of the mainstream culture. Additionally, key and influential figures include Beverley De-Gale OBE, CEO and founder of the African and Caribbean Leukaemia Trust (ACLT), Trevor Robinson OBE, CEO and founder of Quiet Storm, and Euton Daley MBE, former CEO of Pegasus Theatre, Oxford.

Kanya King; Beverley De-Gale OBE; Euton Daley MBE; and Trevor Robinson OBE.

2 February 2021 - Virtual Lecture

6pm

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To shop or not to shop: A case for conscious fashion

Can fashion and sustainability of the people and the planet go hand-in-hand or should we stop shopping altogether? As the traditional fashion industry gets exposed for exploiting the basic human rights of people throughout their supply chain, and for causing a great deal of harm to the planet, a global movement is emerging calling for conscious fashion. Come and listen to our panel of Oxford Brookes Alumni discuss how they are helping change the face of the industry to make it fairer, more diverse and sustainable.

The panel will be chaired by Lucy Turner, Head of Quality Assurance and Validation at Oxford Brookes and former Art and Design Foundation Course Leader.

Andy Showell-Rogers, Alberto Saccavini, Laurenti Arnault, Ru Amiri, Sarah Jordan, Tamsin Lejeune

3 February 2021 - Virtual Lecture

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Liv Little: A little more conversation? Takeovers and untold stories in the media industry

Liv Little is a journalist, author and curator. Whilst at university, Liv founded gal-dem, a media company committed to spotlighting the creative talents of women and non-binary people of colour, due to frustrations with the lack of stories being told from marginalised voices in the media and publishing industries.

Her commitment and love of storytelling weaves through all aspects of her work, which encompasses writing, TV research, event curation, and campaigns and public speaking.

For our LGBTQ+ History Month Lecture 2021, Liv will share her experiences and offer insights on storytelling and community building.

Liv Little

10 February 2021 - Virtual Lecture

6pm

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Women in Innovation: Closing the gender gap

The Brookes Inclusion, Diversity and Gender Network is pleased to host the Athena Swan annual open lecture. The Industrial Strategy has set an ambitious goal for the UK to become the most innovative economy in the world by 2030. However, research shows that there is a gender gap in the ecosystem that drives innovation.

Join Professor Simonetta Manfredi in conversation with Dr Fanya Ismail, winner of “Women in Innovation” award 2019 by Innovate UK. Dr Ismail is CEO and founder of SGMA, and will be sharing her experience of founding a successful research-based business, and reflecting on what can be done to close the gender gap in the innovation ecosystem.
The Brookes Science Bazaar is going Beyond! Our theme this year is ‘Discovery and Exploration’. Be prepared to listen, watch, build, draw, experiment, share, laugh and think. This year the Brookes Science Bazaar will be a virtual event, so be sure to register your place. This FREE event will be packed with exciting activities offering something for everyone.

COMING LATER THIS YEAR...

Oxford Brookes Beyond the Science Bazaar

13 February 2021
10.30am - 4pm
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NEVER STOP EXPLORING

A Season of Postgraduate Study between March - June 2021

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