

# March 2023 Kingston Inter Faith Forum Bulletin

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This bulletin has been set-up on the request of Kingston Interfaith Forum (KIFF) members who wish to share regular notices. All KIFF members have access to this document. Bulletins will be shared on the first Wednesday of the month.

## How to add your notices to the bulletin next month

- Simply add your notices to an empty box below by the 25th of each month
- Please keep information short and relevant to the forum members.  
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<b>Title of article or notice:</b>	<b>KIFF Meeting Notes - 23 Feb</b>
<b>Author</b>	Marina Payen, Inclusion Lead, RBK
<b>Short summary</b>	Thank you to everyone who joined. Welcome to new members. A lively conversation and lots of activity.
<b>Request of the Kingston Interfaith Forum network</b>	Please see full meeting notes published on KIFF website. <a href="https://e-voice.org.uk/kingston-inter-faith/files/">https://e-voice.org.uk/kingston-inter-faith/files/</a>

<b>Title of article or notice:</b>	<b>The Kingston Partnership Stakeholder Briefing</b>
<b>Author</b>	Kate Leyland, Strategy & Partnerships, RBK
<b>Short summary</b>	The Kingston Partnership Stakeholder briefing
<b>Request of the Kingston Interfaith Forum network</b>	The Kingston Partnership Board is a new partnership for Kingston, combining the work of the Health and Wellbeing Board with the Kingston Strategic Partnership. We will be circulating regular updates about items of interest from across the borough, and will be happy to include items from the Kingston Interfaith Forum. If you wish to be included on the distribution list for this briefing, please email <a href="mailto:strategy@kingston.gov.uk">strategy@kingston.gov.uk</a>

<b>Title of article or notice:</b>	<b>The Real Estate Poetry Project</b>
<b>Author</b>	John Azah, KREC
<b>Short summary</b>	<p>Multi-award winning poet, Michael Groce, presents '<i>Come Rhyme With me</i>', a series of writing workshops on the Cambridge Estate, prioritised for racially minoritised communities. The aim is to reach as many Black African and Caribbean people with support from all Allies to give this community a voice.</p> <p>The workshops are free and food will be served. They will be held Mondays from 20 February 2023, 6.00pm-8.00pm for six weeks.</p> <p>Venue: Archway Parish Rooms, Washington Road, Kingston, KT1 3JL</p>
<b>Request of the Kingston Interfaith Forum network</b>	Please share with relevant networks and please note in any comms that the workshops are specifically for Black, African and Caribbean Communities. <a href="https://kva.org.uk/news/the-real-estate-poetry-project/">https://kva.org.uk/news/the-real-estate-poetry-project/</a>

<b>Title of article or notice:</b>	<b>International Women's Day 2023</b>
<b>Author</b>	Marina Payen, Inclusion Lead, RBK
<b>Short summary</b>	Please join a borough-wide campaign for International Women's Day 08 March. The aim is to collaboratively celebrate women's achievements in the Borough. We are <u>encouraging men to take part too</u> in the campaign as allies as we all need to play a part in challenging gender stereotypes.
<b>Request of the Kingston Interfaith Forum network</b>	<p>This year the challenge set by International Women's Day (IWD) is '<a href="#">strike the EmbraceEquity pose</a>' so, if you use social media, would members of KIFF in their different communities like to collaborate by:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>Taking a similar picture</b> with this pose</li> <li>2. <b>Share on 08 March</b> on your social media and include the following text: '<i>This International Women's Day, we are celebrating women's achievements in our Borough with @kingston_council</i>' by... (mention how you are supporting equity in your own sphere of influence or, if you are a man, mentioning what you are doing as an ally). Add person in photo's name and job title.</li> <li>3. <b>Tag IWD and @kingston_council</b> so we can mutually share and amplify women's achievements in the borough</li> </ol>

<b>Title of article or notice:</b>	<b>Coronation Pageant on Sunday May 7th</b>
<b>Author</b>	Rev Joe Moffatt, Vicar of All Saints Kingston
<b>Short summary</b>	<p>A big event to celebrate the Coronation is being planned for May 7th. This is being called a Coronation Pageant and is being organised by All Saints in partnership with the Council, Kingston Music Service, the Rose Theatre and Kingston First.</p> <p>It will start with some street theatre at 3pm featuring a re-enactment of the Coronation of King Athelstan in the Memorial Gardens by members of the Rose Youth Theatre. At 3.30pm there will be a carnival vibe in the Market Square with Kingston Music Service leading a 'junk percussion samba'. There will also be traditional fairground rides and cream teas in the churchyard. The event will culminate in a Service of Thanksgiving at 4.30pm at All Saints Church. This will include some school choirs singing alongside our church choir.</p> <p>A key theme that connects Athelstan's coronation and Charles' III is that of unifying people. The Saxon Kings chose Kingston for their coronations because it was on the border of Wessex and Mercia, the two kingdoms that they were bringing together. Charles III is known for his sponsorship and encouragement of interfaith relations, bringing together people of different faiths, viewpoints and cultures.</p>
<b>Request of the Kingston Interfaith Forum network</b>	<p>During the Service of Thanksgiving at 4.30pm I would like to include 'Prayers for Unity' from different faith traditions.</p> <p><b>I would like to hear from faith leaders who would be happy to provide a short prayer from their own tradition and to be present to read it at the service, or to nominate a representative.</b> Please contact me directly on <a href="mailto:joe@allsaintskingston.co.uk">joe@allsaintskingston.co.uk</a></p>

<b>Title of article or notice:</b>	<b>Kingston University Faith Fayre 2023</b>
<b>Author</b>	Hamad Momin
<b>Short summary</b>	<p>Many Faiths, One Kingston! An opportunity for all our students, staff and local community to meet representatives from all the different faith groups at Kingston University. Find out what they do and where they meet!</p> <p>The Fayre aims to highlight the good work, strengthen good relations, increase awareness of different and distinct faith communities, and increase understanding between people of religious and non-religious belief.</p>
<b>Request of the Kingston Interfaith Forum network</b>	<p>Join us <b>9 March from 12 - 4pm</b> Venue: The Courtyard, Townhouse, Kingston University, Penrhyn Road</p>

<b>Title of article or notice:</b>	<b>National Peace Symposium UK</b>
<b>Author</b>	From Ahmadiyya Muslim Community
<b>Short summary</b>	Members of KIFF are invited to attend the National Peace Symposium UK: The event is taking place on 4th March in the afternoon from 5pm onwards till 9pm in Baitul Futuh Mosque Morden. <a href="https://loveforallhatredfornone.org/peace-symposium/">https://loveforallhatredfornone.org/peace-symposium/</a>
<b>Request of the Kingston Interfaith Forum network</b>	Please contact Yasir Muhammad if you would like to attend: 07474708987 or mmyassir@gmail.com