

Inclusive British History Project (BCA)

The opportunity:

This is a fantastic opportunity to work with the Black Cultural Archives and Royal Holloway as they scope collaboratively produced educational videos and workshops to support the teaching of more inclusive British history in English schools. You would join an existing project seeking to identify stories based on material held in the BCA collection that map onto GCSE specifications and help turn these stories into engaging educational resources and experiences. You would be carrying out research into these stories at BCA (while also taking advantage of Royal Holloway's Library, Senate House Library, and their extensive e-resources); working with the BCA and RH team to turn these stories into scripts or case studies for workshops; and then have the option of presenting these stories to camera as the video resources are filmed by a professional videographer. You will also have the opportunity to contribute stories you research to a planned digital timeline of Black British History, a new digital educational resource planned for the BCA website.

This is a six-month opportunity (February to July 2023) offered at 0.5FTE (2.5 days per week).

What skills you'll bring:

- Experience of researching and analysing archival material
- Ability to write up succinct reports to summarise your findings
- An interest in archives, education, and or video production
- An understanding of Black British History but not a must

The ideal candidate will be highly motivated and a clear communicator who is able to work collaboratively or independently, as required.

What you will gain:

- The chance to explore and research the rich and diverse collections of BCA
- Experience in writing for a non-academic audience
- An enhanced understanding of the UK's diverse history
- The opportunity to support teachers in teaching more inclusive British history

About the Black Cultural Archives:

The home of Black British History, our mission is to collect, preserve and celebrate the histories of people of African and Caribbean descent in the UK and to inspire and give strength to individuals, communities, and society. The Black Cultural Archives can be found at 1 Windrush Sq. Brixton, SW2 1EF. To learn more about its work please visit its website: https://blackculturalarchives.org/

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