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Morning All,

Hope everyone is well. Here is this week's roundup:

Black History Month 2020 – October 2020

The BAME Staff Network are looking for your ideas and contributions for BHM 2020 which will run in the month of October. Please submit your suggestions by 28th August [online](#). The theme of the event this year will be 'Aftermath'.

Goodbye to Aishah Ali – Communications Officer for the Network

We would like to formally say thank you and goodbye to Aishah Ali, who has been the Communications Officer for the Network since January this year. Aishah is leaving the University to go and work on service improvement for the Citizen's Advice Bureau on the 24th August – good luck in your new role Aishah. This leaves the Network with a vacancy. If anyone is interested in this position please email a short statement (no more than 500 words) outlining why you would like the position and what you feel you could bring to the role.

Staff Reflections on Black Lives Matter

[Lorraine Mighty](#), events officer for the Network, has written her reflections on Black Lives Matter and the death of George Floyd. [Mike Stanford](#) has also written about what allyship means to him as a white colleague. Both pieces have been posted on to the BAME Staff Network Intranet pages.

Did you meet your significant other at UoB? If so DARO are looking for you...

One of the most popular features in *Old Joe* is campus romance featuring alumni who met their significant others on campus. We would like to include as many diverse stories as possible from across our alumni community many of our staff members are also alumni. If you would like to be featured please contact [Emily Bradley](#) by 20th August with a photo and short description of how you met.

Here to Stay Exhibition Goes on Tour

The exhibition commissioned by UoB in partnership with Sandwell and West Birmingham NHS Trust and Recognize Black Heritage and Culture is now available to see at [Wolverhampton Art Gallery](#). For anyone who missed the exhibition when it was on Campus, it is an archive of portraits and oral histories by documentary photographer Inès Elsa Dalal which documents the personal and professional narratives of 23 Black healthcare personnel working in the National Health Service.

Microaggressions Project – Drawing it Out

The University of Birmingham EDI team is working with values based cartoonist Dr Pen Mendonca to develop a project which explores microaggressions in Higher Education. "Drawing it Out", which has been funded by an Advance HE Good Practice Grant, will use artwork to stimulate online conversations and "draw out" our experiences of, concerns about and reactions to microaggressions. The conversations will then be developed into a toolkit which will be freely available to all HEIs to support their work in this area. To start the conversation, Pen has created an image (attached) which invites us all to "Press pause" for a moment, to think about two questions:

- Which words or comments do you identify with?
- What is missing from this drawing?

We would like to get as many people involved as possible and would really appreciate it if you could

join the conversation and encourage others to do so. Please view the image (attached) and follow the project on [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#), or tag us via our social media accounts' handle "@presspauhe" and @mendoncaPen.

****Job of the week****

[Lecturer in Marketing – Birmingham Business School, Grade 8 \(14860\)](#)

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Stan (Marvel) Lee's Black History

4th September 18:30 – 21:00. [Register online](#) – Tickets £6

Interactive breakdown on the hidden politics in some of Stan Lee's Marvel heroes/stories; links to US Civil Rights and African history.

African Animation: Ancient to Modern

11th September 18:30- 21:00. [Register online](#) – Tickets £6

The African origins of popular cartoons PLUS modern day African animation studios that are leading the Black Image revolution.

If you have anything you would like shared in our weekly Friday roundups please send it through via [email](#) by the Thursday before the Friday you would like it shared in.

Many Thanks

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