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Have Your Say 2016

Have Your Say is changing: running 18 April–6 May, it will return in a new slimmed-down, annual format, providing you with an important opportunity to shape the University's future.

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EU: In or Out?

The University and students will be organising public debates and other events in the weeks running up to Referendum day. Our 'EU Referendum: In or Out?' website provides information on these as well as the latest expert commentary.

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Birmingham Professional Annual Conference

Tuesday 12 April, 9.30am–2.00pm,
Crush Hall, Ground Floor, Mechanical
and Civil Engineering Building.

Inspiring success: talks, interactive
sessions and networking
opportunities.

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The Other Place

Iconic studio theatre The Other Place,
in Stratford-upon-Avon, has re-
opened after undergoing a
transformation partly funded by the
University in a five-year partnership
with the RSC.

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Phenome Centre opening

Monday 23 May, 9.30–4.00pm.

The official opening of Phenome
Centre Birmingham, a pioneering £8
million Life Sciences facility.

Speakers include Professor Sir Mark
Walport, Chief Scientific Advisor to
the Government.

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The Birmingham Proms

Join us in Chancellor's Court for an
outdoor evening of Proms favourites
and fireworks with the University of
Birmingham Symphony Orchestra.
Register for your free tickets now!

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WSC 2016

Just one month left to register for the World Shakespeare Congress 2016, before registration closes on 1 May 2016. The event itself takes place from Sunday 31 July–Saturday 6 August 2016.

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UoB @ Hay Festival 2016

As in previous years, the College of Arts and Law will host a series of six sessions at this year's Hay Festival. The Festival is set to take place from Thursday 26 May–Sunday 5 June 2016.

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Staff Welcome Resources

Visit the Staff Welcome Resources website, which will continue to be updated before Welcome 2016. It hosts a wide range of information to support staff in developing induction activities for new students.

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Workplace stress

On Thursday 28 April we will be raising awareness of work-related stress as part of the International Labour Organization (ILO)'s World Day for Safety and Health at Work. Join the conversation and find out more about support available.

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New IT Services Gateway

A new way for you to find information about the services IT Services offer, in a simple website with links to

Student Employee of the Year (SEOTY) Awards

Do you have an outstanding student employee that has successfully

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managed to combine part-time work with their studies? Nominate them for a SEOTY Award!

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Research Sync and Share

BEAR provides advanced computing solutions for researchers, including BEAR DataShare for mobile working and collaboration. BEAR DataShare works similarly to Dropbox, but your files are based on campus.

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UoB Business Club

Join UoB Business Club on Wednesday 20 April to network with local businesses who are interested in engaging with the University.

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Creative Thinking

Discover how to produce a host of new commercial ideas from your research. Creative thinking specialist Nigel Temple will show you a series of ways to come up with new, original ideas on demand.

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Qualified green fingers

Winterbourne is launching accredited Royal Horticultural Society courses for those looking to enhance their gardening skills and gain a qualification. A mixture of courses will be available.

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The Game gets Named

Alumna Chrissie Wellington will see her name on the gym at the University's new sports centre, 360 Sport & Fitness, after winning the Name of the Game competition.

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New Bramall website

The Bramall website has undergone a facelift, enhancing visitor experience when you log on to find out about performances and book tickets – why not take a look around?

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