



## Big Conversation

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## BIRMINGHAM PROFESSIONAL

### Birmingham Professional Christmas

11.00am–12.30pm, 20 December 2016, Great Hall, Aston Webb Building. Birmingham Professional and the BUAFTAs are delighted to invite you to this year's Christmas Event and BUAFTAs Shortlist reveal.

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## Honorary degrees

Do you know someone who has made a major contribution to academic, regional or national life? Have you considered nominating them for an honorary doctorate of the University?

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## University Free Schools

Last week, the University of Birmingham School held a conference on 'Setting Up a University Free School' to share best practice with more than 90 delegates from 52 universities and organisations.

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## University Carol Service

Monday 5 December, 6.15pm. Join us for a traditional service of carols and readings led by the University Chaplaincy, and seasonal music performed by Birmingham University Singers.

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## Clinical research award

Birmingham Health Partners has been awarded £12.8 million from the NIHR for the renewal of their Clinical Research Facility, paving the way for complex clinical research studies to benefit patients.

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## BUAFTA raffle tickets

BUAFTA raffle tickets are now on sale! Support miscarriage research by the University of Birmingham at Tommy's National Centre. You can purchase tickets from your BUAFTA champion or online.

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## Michael Mosley event

Register now for the Arthur Thomson annual lecture: 'Medical Mavericks – a history of self experimenters' delivered by well-known journalist, Dr Michael Mosley. **Taking place today.**

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## Fund your idea

Academics, students and Professional Services staff are invited to apply for up to £20,000 in funding from the Alumni Impact Fund.

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## LGBT Network Newsletter

1 December is World Aids Day, and to mark this Old Joe will be turning red. Read the *Rainbow Network Newsletter* to find out more.

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## Are you a parent or carer?

All staff who are parents or carers are invited to take part in a short survey about a new UoB Parents and Carers Network. There will be a chance to win a £25 National Book Token for taking part.

## Baubles for cancer

This Christmas, brighten up the Bramall Music Building's festive tree and give a child with cancer hope for the future by donating to hang a bauble with your personal message on our twinkly fir tree.

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## Arts & Science 2017

The University of Birmingham's Arts & Science Festival returns 13–19 March with a jam-packed line-up of exhibitions and events. Email [artsandscience@contacts.bham.ac.uk](mailto:artsandscience@contacts.bham.ac.uk) to join our mailing list.

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## Prototyping

Wednesday 25 January, 12noon–2.00pm. This seminar will look at how design methods used in the commercial sector can be applied to your research to accelerate commercialisation.

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## Staff Disability Group

3 December is International Day of Persons with Disabilities. The Staff Disability Group exists to represent staff who have a disability. Staff are warmly invited to become members.

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## Innovation Competition

Have you got an idea for a brilliant innovation based on your research? Would you like to win a cash prize of up to £20,000 to develop your ideas further?

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## U21 Staff Fellowships

Universitas 21 Staff Fellowship awards are open to academic and Professional Services staff. Please

## U21 PhD Scholarships

U21 PhD Scholarships of up to £1,500 are available. The deadline is 19 March 2017. Please visit the

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## Christmas at Winterbourne

Join Father Christmas and his  
reindeer for a wonderful family day  
out, with a craft fair and carol singing.  
Free access for staff, with a small  
charge for some activities.

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## Alan Walters Building

The Alan Walters Building 'official  
opening' event is on Wednesday 7  
December at 5.15pm. Please come  
along and celebrate this exciting new  
campus development.

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