



## Festive Forum

Birmingham Professional and BUAFTAs are delighted to invite you to the December celebration and BUAFTA Shortlist reveal on Wednesday 20 December, 11.00am–12.30pm, Great Hall, Aston Webb Building. Festive refreshments available.

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## Technical Academy

Last week we launched the University of Birmingham Technical Academy. The Technical Academy is designed to deliver the skills and career development essential to supporting those in technical roles across the University, both today and in the future.

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## Christmas Bauble appeal

In aid of the 10,000 Lives appeal, you can sponsor a bauble and leave your festive message, for a suggested donation of £10, either by text or online. For more information visit our website. Thank you!

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## #BikesforBrum

There are just two days left to pledge to help win #bikesforbrum. We need your help to beat the competition and win a bike-share scheme to help staff and students get around campus and beyond!

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## Economic impact of staff

We are taking part in a piece of research to examine the contribution that University of Birmingham staff make to the local economy through their spending. To find out more about taking part, please visit the link below.

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## UoB and Royal Shakespeare Company (RSC) Conference

Registration is now open for 'Radical Mischief: a Conference Inviting Experiment in Theatre, Thought and Politics', set to take place on Friday 20 and Saturday 21 July 2018.

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## Tree planting project

The first mature trees have now been lowered into the Green Heart as part of an ambitious tree planting project. The 12-acre parkland will include 160 new trees along with 144 existing trees.

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## Happiness workshop

How is happiness measured, how does it affect your body, and how can you achieve a work-life balance? Join us as we explore notions of happiness and health by drawing on research from the University.

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## BEAR wins HPC awards

IT Services' Birmingham Environment for Academic Research (BEAR) has won two international awards for a project enabling the analysis of Zika virus genomes, and for resources to support global public health.

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## Philip Leverhulme Prizes

Four College of Arts and Law (CAL) academics have been awarded prestigious £100,000 prizes, recognising the international recognition of their outstanding research, and that their future career is exceptionally promising.

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## A Winterbourne Christmas

Festive fun for the family – Christmas lunch and kids workshops!  
Winterbourne closes on 15

## A Bramall Christmas

Jingle all the way to the Bramall in December for a cracker of a comedy night with Jollyboat and George Zach, *The Polar Express* for the kids, and

December, and will welcome you back on 13 January.

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the uplifting Black Voices' tribute to Nina Simone.

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## BIFoR wins award

The Birmingham Institute of Forest Research (BIFoR) was named 'winner' in the sustainability category at the Insider Property Awards earlier this month.

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## UniGreenScheme rewarded

The University of Birmingham and UniGreenScheme received a national Green Gown Award for Facilities and Services last week, thanks to an innovative scheme that is making waves beyond the University.

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## New ILM Level 5 Cohort

POD are pleased to announce a new ILM Level 5 cohort starting in January 2018. Induction will take place on 17 January. Please check our intranet pages for more information and how to apply.

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## GDPR Project

In May 2018 new data protection laws come into force. At the University we have established a working group to take this forward. If you have any queries please contact Legal Services.

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