

# WELCOME NEWHAM NEWS.

Edition: November 2023

Hello and welcome to our November newsletter. Our aim is to highlight activities and events happening in the area that may be of interest to you. If you know of something happening that you think would be a good idea to show case in the newsletter, then please get in touch with the team and we will do our best to promote it to the new arrivals in the borough.

*We would like to wish you an Early  
Merry Christmas.*

– From Welcome Newham Team

## Children in Need Christmas Jumper Day – 7<sup>th</sup> December 2023

Christmas Jumper Day will take place on Thursday 7 December 2023. But you can celebrate on whatever day works for you!

It's time to put on your Christmas jumper and help kids in the UK and around the world get the best future ever. It's been a really scary time for lots of children this year, so getting involved is more important than ever.

There's more to Christmas Jumper Day than wearing a silly jumper. You'll be helping children facing serious issues like war, hunger and poverty.

And this year, with so many children having a really tough time, getting involved matters more than ever. You can donate when you attend the One Stop Shop on Thursday or on the website <https://www.savethechildren.org.uk/christmas-jumper-day>



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## THINKING OF RENTING YOUR OWN PLACE?

If the time has come that you are thinking about renting your own place, but you are not sure where to start, then the Welcome Newham Team can help! We will be hosting Private Rental Scheme information sessions in English for anyone who would like more information about how to rent their own property. During these sessions we will cover the items below and there will be a chance to ask questions afterwards.

Some of the things that we will cover in the session include:

- How Newham Council is able to support you when the time comes to move to the private rented sector
- Guidance that can help you navigate the private housing sector maximising the likelihood of success
- Advice on the challenges you may face when you transition to living in the private rented sector
- A short talk from someone who has been through the process themselves

The next PRS workshops/sessions will be held at **Stratford Library - 3 The Grove**, London E15 1EL on:

- 7<sup>th</sup> December
- 14<sup>th</sup> December



If you would like to attend then please email us with your name and contact number and **we can also get translators for any non-English speakers.** You can email [welcome.newham@newham.gov.uk](mailto:welcome.newham@newham.gov.uk) or call 0203 373 3222 and ask for Iana.

**PRS Session**



English: <https://youtu.be/Jgc1BttkuaY>

Ukrainian: <https://youtu.be/4UHuhITvt0>



## ДУМАЄТЕ ПРО ОРЕНДУ ВЛАСНОГО ЖИТЛА?

Якщо настав час, коли ви подумуєте про оренду власного житла, але не знаєте, з чого почати, команда Welcome Newham може допомогти! Ми проведимо інформаційні сесії англійською та українською мовами для людей, які хотіли б отримати більше інформації про те, як орендувати власне житло. Під час цих сесій ми розглянемо наведені нижче питання, після чого у вас буде можливість поставити запитання. Деякі з тем, які ми обговоримо під час сесії, включають - Як рада Ньюхем може підтримати вас, коли прийде час переїхати в приватний орендований сектор - Поради, які можуть допомогти вам орієнтуватися в приватному житловому секторі, максимізуючи ймовірність успіху - Поради щодо проблем, з якими ви можете зіткнутися при переході до проживання в приватному орендованому секторі - Коротка розповідь людини, яка сама пройшла через цей процес. Наступні семінари/сесії ССБ

будуть проводитись: Четвер 26 жовтня - четвер 30 листопада з 15:30 до 17:00 / четвер 2 листопада - четвер 7 грудня з 15:30 до 17:00 у Стратфордській бібліотеці, 3 The Grove, London E15 1EL (на другому

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Наступні семінари/сесії PRS відбудуться у Стратфордській бібліотеці - 3 The Grove, London E15 1EL on:

- 7 грудня
- 14 грудня

Якщо ви бажаєте взяти участь, будь ласка, напишіть нам своє ім'я та контактний номер телефону, щоб ми знали, коли вас чекати! Ви можете написати на [welcome.newham@newham.gov.uk](mailto:welcome.newham@newham.gov.uk) або зателефонувати за номером 020 3 373 3222 і запитати Яну.

## Help with Homelessness



### CRISIS SKYLIGHT LONDON

If you are homeless or will soon become homeless, please call 020 7426 5650, email [london@crisis.org.uk](mailto:london@crisis.org.uk) or come to **Crisis London Skylight, 50-52 Commercial Street, London E1 6LT**



### SHELTER ENGLAND

If you are homeless, or at risk of becoming homeless, SHELTER offer advice, support and guidance with housing and benefits. Open Monday to Friday 9:30am to 6pm.  
Under 25 years old - 0330 053 6091 / 25 years and over - 0344 515 1540  
[www.EnglandShelter.org.uk](http://www.EnglandShelter.org.uk)



### DAY CENTRE IN EAST HAM

Address: **Bobby Moore Pavilion, Napier Rd, East Ham, London E6 2SG**

You will need to register when you first come to Newway, have a London borough of Newham Connection.

NEWday is unable to support adults with dependents (children/elders).

[www.newwayproject.org](http://www.newwayproject.org)



### STREET LINK

If you are CURRENTLY sleeping on the streets, use StreetLink.

This is the National Rough Sleeper referral helpline. You will need to register with them first.

[www.thestreetlink.org.uk](http://www.thestreetlink.org.uk) Choose 'Get Help for Yourself' and select 'Make an Alert'

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### ST MUNGO'S

Visit St Mungo's for comprehensive advice across the whole of England [www.mungos.org](http://www.mungos.org)

## Food banks/ Hot Meals around Newham

In the current economic situation, more and more people are in need of a bit of help. The table below has been put together by Newham local residents to share information about food bank resources that are available in your local area and who don't believe there should be any shame or stigma around needing

If you're in financial crisis, freecall 0808 2082138 (open Mon to Fri, 9am-5pm) to talk confidentially to a trained Citizens Advice adviser. They will provide support to help you manage your money, navigate the benefits system, and identify any other grants you might be entitled to. If you need one, they'll issue you with a food bank voucher so you can get an emergency food parcel.

Newham Food Alliance [www.newham.gov.uk/advice-support-benefits/newham-food-alliance](http://www.newham.gov.uk/advice-support-benefits/newham-food-alliance) or call 0779 0975086

Emergency Assistance: FairShare [www.fairshare.org.uk](http://www.fairshare.org.uk)  
Salvation Army  
<https://www.salvationarmy.org.uk/emergency>

How to get a food voucher? Your local food bank will be able to tell you which referral agencies they work with in your area and how you can get a voucher. You can come by the **One stop shop in Stratford library from 10am to 2pm every Thursday** so that we can make a referral for you.



**FoodCycle** East Ham welcomes anyone to attend as a guest and enjoy a FREE hot meal. No need to book. Just turn up on the day! In addition very family friendly.

### **Location:**

Pilgrims Way Church, Pilgrims Way (entrance via Myrtle Road), East Ham, London, E6 1HW

### **Date/Time:**

Every Tuesday at 7 pm

Every week, our volunteers collect surplus food and cook it, Ready, Steady, Cook-style, into delicious three-course meals which they serve to you, our guests.

- Everyone is welcome
- Meals are totally free; you don't need a referral or a voucher
- If we have extra surplus food that week, our guests are welcome to take it home

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### Food Banks/ Food Community - Table

Organisation:	Address:	Day/Date:	More information:
<b>Ascension Church</b>	Ascension Church Centre, Baxter Road, E16 3HJ	Free hot meals Tuesdays 10am – 2pm – Can just turn up	Activities include: English language sessions, Gardening, Food bank, Activities for children, Family support, Community café and Free Pilates class from 10-11am.
<b>Highway Vineyard Church</b>	88A Romford Rd, E15 4EH	Free hot meals Tuesdays, 11.30am-3pm. No need to book.	Activities include: Board games, Puzzles, Watch a film, English conversation groups and Creative workshops
<b>The Renewal Programme</b>	395 High Street, E12 6PG	Free hot meals Tuesdays 11am-1.30pm (As part of existing foodbank café sessions) Wednesdays 12.30-3pm Friday 11am-1.30pm (As part of existing foodbank café sessions)	Contact 07473 159 269 to book and find out more.
<b>The 5es Development</b>	St Marks Community Centre, 218 Tollgate Road, E6 5YA	Tuesdays 11am-1pm and Fridays 11am-1pm WhatsApp: 07491999289	Activities include: Wellbeing group sessions and Social connection
<b>All Saints West Ham</b>	All Saints Church, Church Street, Stratford, E15 3HU	Tuesdays	
<b>The Dockland Settlements</b> No need to book	TMO Building, 17 Doran Walk, E15 2JL.	Food bank: Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 9.30pm-12pm	

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## Warm Havens around Newham:

Libraries	Monday - Saturday	Sunday
Beckton	10am-8pm	12pm-4pm
Canning Town	9am-8pm	12pm-4pm
Custom House	10am-8pm	12pm-4pm
East Ham	9am-8pm	12pm-4pm
Forest Gate	9am-8pm	12pm-4pm
Green Street	10am-8pm	12pm-4pm
Manor Park	10am-8pm	12pm-4pm
North Woolwich	9:30am-8pm	12pm-4pm
Plaistow	9.30am-8pm	12pm-4pm
Stratford	9am-8pm	12pm-4pm

Until 31 March 2024, all of our libraries have extended opening hours to become Warm Havens; providing safe, non-judgemental, warm spaces during the cold winter months. In addition, tea and coffee will be provided.

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### Volunteering in Newham

Volunteering is a great way to give something back to the community and to make use of your spare time. It makes a difference to your local area and to the people who live here. It is also a fun, rewarding way to meet new people, improve the environment and the lives of others, and in addition, learn new skills. It doesn't matter if you can spare a little time, or a lot, there are lots of ways to get involved and improve your community.

It is really easy to become a volunteer, to start, register here: <https://volunteers.newham.gov.uk/index-classic>

Once you have completed your registration form you will be contacted to complete our online induction, this includes signing a code of conduct, a lone working policy and a form. Once the signed documents have been received, your induction status will then be granted and you can start volunteering straight away. You will be provided with all the information that you will need about our volunteer opportunities on offer. For further information please email [volunteers@newham.gov.uk](mailto:volunteers@newham.gov.uk) or call 0203 373 3216

### **Волонтерство в Ньюхемі:**

Волонтерство - це чудовий спосіб зробити щось корисне для суспільства і використати свій вільний час. Це має значення для вашої громади та людей, які тут живуть. Це також веселий і корисний спосіб познайомитися з новими людьми, поліпшити навколишнє середовище і життя інших людей, а крім того, отримати нові навички. Неважливо, чи можете ви приділити трохи часу, чи багато, є багато способів долучитися до волонтерства і покращити свою громаду.

Волонтерство - це чудовий спосіб справити враження на потенційних роботодавців. Допомога місцевим жителям або громадським організаціям може заповнити прогалини у вашому досвіді роботи, покращити ваше резюме та дозволити вам спробувати себе в різних ролях, що допоможе вам отримати рекомендацію...

### **العمل التطوعي في نيوهام**

العمل التطوعي هو وسيلة رائعة لرد الجميل للمجتمع والإستفادة من وقت فراغك. يحدث فرقاً في منطقتك المحلية والأشخاص الذين يعيشون هنا. إنها أيضاً طريقة ممتعة ومجزية لمقابلة أشخاص جدد وتحسين البيئة وحياة الآخرين، بالإضافة إلى تعلم مهارات جديدة. لا يهم إذا كان منه، فهناك الكثير من الطرق للمشاركة وتحسين مجتمعك بإمكانك توفير القليل من الوقت أو الكثير العمل التطوعي هو وسيلة رائعة لإبهار أصحاب العمل المحتملين. تقديم المساعدة في إحدى مناطق السكن المحلية أو إحدى المنظمات المجتمعية يمكن أن تساعد في سد الثغرات في خبراتك في العمل، وتعزيز سيرتك الذاتية، والسماح لك بتجربة أنواع مختلفة من الأدوار لمساعدتك في الحصول على مرجع وتوصيات من عملك التطوعي.

## WE ARE VOLUNTEERING.

## WE ARE NEWHAM.



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## Volunteering Opportunities:



FoodCycle East Ham will only be possible thanks to great volunteers giving their time, enthusiasm and energy.

If you'd like to volunteer at one of these events, we are always looking for cooks, hosts and food collection volunteers

Apply: <https://foodcycle.org.uk/volunteer-roles/>

There are loads of different roles such as:

- Hosting Volunteer
- Cooking Volunteer
- Check-in and Chat Volunteer
- Project Leader Volunteer
- Food collection Volunteer

## Bonny Downs CommuniTEA Café Volunteer

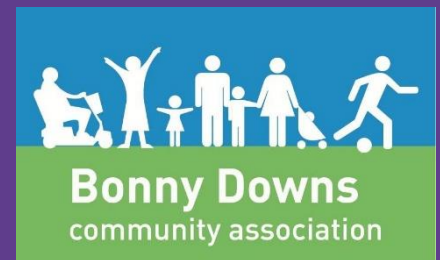
COMMUNITEA CAFE – currently open

In October 2022 we re-opened our community café. Now local residents can drop in to our warm community centre anytime from 9am to 5pm on Mondays to Fridays to enjoy FREE tea, optional books and board games – and of course a friendly chat.

Everyone is welcome and it's all completely free, so no one is left out. this winter.

We're looking for volunteers to give out hot drinks and warm welcomes, on mornings or afternoons on a day that suits you! If you could join our communiTEA, please [email us!](#)

**To apply please email:**  
[volunteer@bonnydowns.org](mailto:volunteer@bonnydowns.org)



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## Free Employment Workshop:

Are you preparing for work? Do you need help with the job application process? Do you want to develop your skills to confidently communicate in the workplace?

If the answer is yes, join our free interactive workshops delivered by business volunteers!

All workshops are held at The Wells Community Centre, 49 Vicarage Lane, London E6 6DQ on Tuesdays 10 am to 12 pm. You must [book your space here](#) or <https://eeqv.org/experience/4706/dates>

Workshops include: Help writing your CV, preparing for interviews, completing job applications, building confidence in speaking, delivering presentations confidently, managing your time effectively and more!

Ensure that you book your space as sessions are limited to 15 people per session.



Workshops:

- Techniques to improve your confidence when speaking: Tuesday 5th December 2023  
Discover your strengths and areas where you have a growth or fixed mind-set. Explore strategies to help build confidence by discovering your strengths and learning about fixed and growth mind-sets, and celebrating your successes.
- Giving a good impression at a job interview Tuesday 9th January 2024  
As you progress in your career, you may find you need to give presentations. This online module will take you through how to stand, how to use your slides most effectively and how to engage with your audience
- How to answer questions in job interviews: Tuesday 23rd January 2024  
This workshop will look at some of the most common questions in job interviews, what to say, what not to say and how to structure your answers.
- Mock interviews: Tuesday 6th February 2024  
This is your chance to put your skills into practise and have a mock interview. You can answer the mostly commonly asked questions and practise using effective body language
- Good time/workload management: Tuesday 20th February 2024  
It can be difficult when you are out of work to manage your time well. This module has some tips on how you can make the most of the time you are searching for work and demonstrate good time management skills when you start your new job.

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## Online ESOL Classes

Together South works with refugees and non-EU migrants living in London to help them settle into the UK. Sound interesting? Then get involved in our **free weekly sessions** today! Check out our timetable below.



### Monday:

**1:30 – 3:00pm:**

Spotlight / Advanced English Class (Online): English grammar and creative writing sessions for higher level learners

### Tuesday:

**9:00am – 5:00pm:**

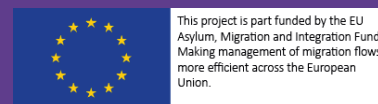
One to One English (Online): English conversation tailored to participants needs.

**10:00am- 12:30pm:**

English Class in Lambeth (In person): Mosaic Clubhouse, 65 Effra Road, London SW2 1BZ

**10:30am – 11:30am:**

Group Employment Workshop (Online): Gain advice on how you can improve your chances of finding employment or training



### Wednesday:

**10:30am- 12:30pm:**

Weekly Walks (In-Person): Explore different locations each week and try free things to do in London!

**3:30 – 4:30pm:**

UK Cultural Insights (Online): Get a better understanding of UK cultures by doing fun activities and meeting new people

### Thursday:

**9:30am – 10:30am:**

English Class (Online): Pre-beginners

**11am – 12pm:**

English Class (Online): Beginners

**11am – 12pm:**

English Class (Online): Life in the UK

**1:30pm – 2:30pm:**

English Class (Online): Intermediate

**4pm – 6pm:**

English Class in Bexleyheath (In Person): 5 Brampton Road, Bexleyheath DA7 4EZ

### Friday:

**12:30pm – 2pm:**

English Class (In Person): Woolwich Library, 35 Wellington Street SE18 6HQ

### Contact Us

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ESOL Provider	Criteria	How to enrol	Notes
<b>Mary Ward Centre</b> 275-285 High Street, Stratford E15 2TF	Must have lived in UK for 6 months or longer	Send an email with your name, address and mobile number to <a href="mailto:MWEnquiries@marywardcentre.ac.uk">MWEnquiries@marywardcentre.ac.uk</a>	They will contact you directly with an appointment for assessment. Travel fare refunded
<b>The Renewal Programme</b> 395 High Street North, Manor Park E12 6PG	No criteria	No booking required. Turn up for assessments on any Thursday between 12pm – 2pm	Bring a form of ID on the first day
<b>Catch 22</b> 105 Barking Road E16 4HQ	No criteria	Send an email with your name, contact details and immigration status to <a href="mailto:pembelemichael.paulo@catch-22.org.uk">pembelemichael.paulo@catch-22.org.uk</a>	You can take these lessons on their own or alongside another ESOL class. They will contact you directly with an appointment for assessment. Travel fare refunded
<b>The University of East London - Stratford Campus</b> Water Lane, London E15 4LZ	No criteria	Send an email with your name, address and contact number to <a href="mailto:c.conway@uel.ac.uk">c.conway@uel.ac.uk</a>	Lessons taught by trainee teachers on Wednesdays 12pm – 2pm They will contact you directly with an appointment for assessment. You can take these lessons on their own or alongside another ESOL class
Our Newham Learning and skills Lessons take place in either: Forest Gate E7 Stratford E15 Beckton E16 Manor Park E12 East Ham E6	No criteria	Send an email with your name, mobile number, address proof of immigration status (section 95, ARC card with the expiry date no sooner than August 2024) to <a href="mailto:ournewhamLS@newham.gov.uk">ournewhamLS@newham.gov.uk</a>	They will contact you directly with an appointment for assessment.

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Informal/ Conversational ESOL Classes

St Matthews Church 38 Dyson Road E15 4JX	Tuesdays 19:30	No need to book, just turn up
West Silvertown Foundation 2 John Harrison Square E16 2ZA	Wednesday 10:00 – 11:15 Absolute beginners (no crèche) Wednesday 11:30 – 12:45 Improvers Wednesday 13:00 – 14:15 Beginners Thursday 10:00 – 11.15 Absolute beginners Thursday 11:30 – 12:45 Higher level	text Nida on 07519953455 or Email <a href="mailto:hello@wsfroyaldocks.org">hello@wsfroyaldocks.org</a> to register.  Crèche is available for most sessions with no age limit.
Ascension Community Trust Ascension Church Centre, Baxter Road E16 3HJ	Tuesday 13:00	No need to book, just turn up
Highway Church Vineyard 88A Romford Road E15 4EH	Tuesday 11.30 – 15:00	No need to book, just turn up
St Francis Church 160 The Grove E15 1NS	Tuesday 18:00 Intermediate level (B1) Tuesday 19:00 Beginner level	With native speaker No need to book, just turn up
St Francis Church 160 The Grove E15 1NS	Sunday 18:00 Intermediate level (B1) Sunday 19:00 Beginner level	No need to book, just turn up <b>With Ukrainian teacher</b> <b>For UKRAINIANS only</b>

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# Christmas Activities

## Garland Making Workshop

21st Nov - 2nd Dec

With



### Garland Making Workshop

#### Location:

The Community Shop Newham -  
27 Silvertown Way London E16 1DH

#### Dates:

30<sup>th</sup> November  
1<sup>st</sup> December  
2<sup>nd</sup> December

**Drop-in sessions from 11 am to 6pm**

Join the festive fun with Lione & Sheikh's Paper Garland Making Workshop at the Community Shop Newham!

Discover the joy of crafting and add a personal touch to your holiday decorations at our enchanting workshop. Whether you're a seasoned crafter or a beginner, this workshop is designed for all ages!

🎨 Unleash your creativity as our skilled instructors guide you through the art of paper garland making. Dive into a world of colors and textures, creating stunning garlands that will add a unique flair to your festive decor.

🎁 All materials will be provided, and you'll have the chance to explore our exquisite range of stationery products. From vibrant papers to stylish embellishments, let Lione & Sheikh be your creative haven this holiday season.

Don't miss out on the chance to make cherished memories with friends and family. **Drop in anytime between 11 am and 6 pm at the Community Shop Newham and let the festivities begin!**

#### Book Tickets:

[https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/paper-garland-making-workshop-tickets-763073091157?aff=ebdssbdestsearch&keep\\_tld=1](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/paper-garland-making-workshop-tickets-763073091157?aff=ebdssbdestsearch&keep_tld=1)

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### Undocumented? : An exhibition about migration on the edges of Europe

#### Location:

UCL East Campus One Pool St,  
London E20 2AF

#### Date & Time:

Thu, 30<sup>th</sup> Nov – Sat, 10<sup>th</sup> Feb

Visit Monday - Saturday, 10am - 6pm, no need to book.

Tickets are required for the following special events:

- 30th November, 18:30-20:30: exhibition opening with refreshments and talk by the curators
- 22nd January, 17:00-19:00: Vignettes as Way of Seeing Seminar. In this seminar they will examine how the format of vignettes can be a useful way to understand difficult migrant stories. Thinking with the exhibition Undocumented? they discuss migration as a dynamic set of experiences in which research can only capture a glimpse into lived realities. They focus on the medium of film and the exhibition space as sites of evidence to understand the poetics of narrative as seen in vignettes.
- [February 2024 TBC]: Poetry as Record – An Interactive Workshop Exploring Ethical Documenting of Migrant Stories How can we use imaginative forms as a way of telling our own stories on our own terms? This workshop considers how different forms of evidence are created and used. Through poetry, we will share how to create one's own verbal and textual material. We will illustrate how poetry can exist as a creative form of record keeping, telling migration stories and as research materials.

**Book Tickets:** <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/undocumented-an-exhibition-about-migration-on-the-edges-of-europe-tickets-737153244197?aff=ebdssbdestsearch>

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## WELCOME NEWHAM NEWS



### FEATURE FILM - FARHA + Q&A

Farha is a 14-year-old girl who lives in a small village in Palestine, 1948. Farha wants to continue her education despite traditions and the restrictions. However, as violence breaks out, fearing for her life, Farha's father locks her up in a concealed, small food storage space by the house, promising to return.

Dir: Darin J. Sallam

Cast: Karam Taher, Ashraf Barhom, Ali Suliman

Cert: 15

Dur: 92min

#### Date:

Friday 1st Dec 2023 from 7pm to 10pm

#### Location:

Stratford East Picturehouse

Salway Road Stratford London E15 1BX

Free refreshments available!

Admission is on a first come, first served basis.

No children under 15 years old allowed.

BSL Event

This film programme is supported by Newham Council and Film London.

**Book tickets:** <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/ncc-iam-2023-farha-subtitled-panel-signed-tickets-750806411187?utm-campaign=social&utm-content=attendeeshare&utm-medium=discovery&utm-term=listing&utm-source=cp&aff=ebdsshcopyurl>



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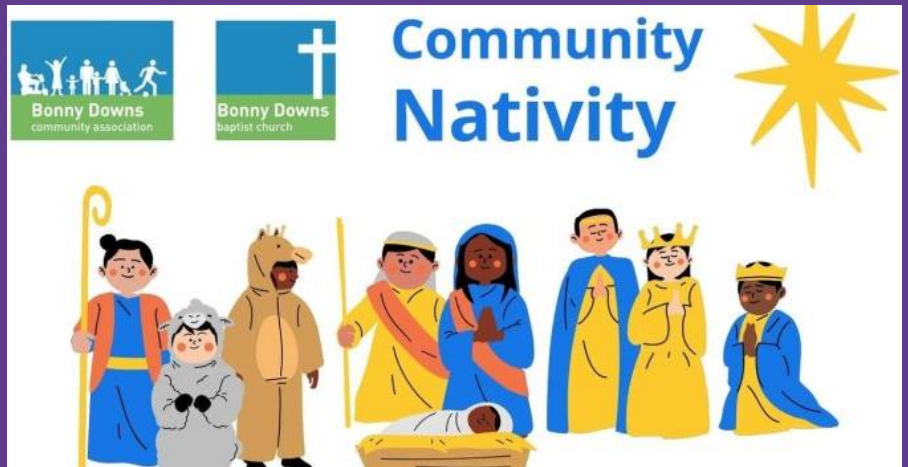
# WELCOME NEWHAM NEWS

## Bonny Downs Community Nativity

Calling all Primary School aged children: be a part of your local church's nativity play!

Maybe you'd like to play a lead part? Or a shining bright star? Or be part of the behind-the-scenes team?

- Light refreshments provided
- All faiths welcome



**Parents will need to stay with their children and ensure all rehearsals are attended.**

### REHEARSALS

Mondays 4 – 5 pm from 13 November until 11 December at Bonny Downs Church, 18 Darwell Close E6 6BT

### PERFORMANCE

Sunday 17 December 9:30 am – 12 pm at The Well,  
49 Vicarage Lane E6 6DQ

To sign up, contact **07423 143 451** or [families@bonnydowns.org](mailto:families@bonnydowns.org)



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# WELCOME NEWHAM NEWS



**WINTER FAIR**

Wednesday, 6 December, 12 – 8 PM, Docklands campus  
**DOCKLANDS SQUARE CHRISTMAS LIGHT SWITCH ON AT 4:30**

wreath making - reusable cracker workshops -  
cookie decorating - festive food & drink -  
photobooth - funfair rides - local shops & charity stalls

## UEL Winter Fair

Celebrate the joy of the holiday season at the University of East London's (UEL) annual Winter Fair, where you can immerse yourself in festive delights like Christmas wreath-making, reusable Christmas cracker workshops, fairground rides, and a variety of festive-themed stalls. Hosted at the University's Docklands Campus, this event will feature a traditional Christmas Tree Light Switch-On by the University's Vice-Chancellor and President, Professor Amanda Broderick.

Event Details: UEL's Winter Fair and launch of the Royal Docks Centre for Sustainability

- Date: Wednesday, 6 December
- Time: 11am - 5pm (RDCS tours run from 11m to 2pm, Christmas Tree Light Switch-On 4.30pm)
- Where: Docklands Campus, University Way, London E16 2RD

To sign up, [please register online](#) or

[https://app.geckoform.com/public/?\\_gl=1\\*p93t5q\\*\\_ga\\*MTczMTEzNjlyQ54xNzAxMjUyMDg1\\*\\_ga\\_Q0JAZKSES\\_N\\*MTcwMTU1MjA4NC4xLjEuMTcwMTU1MjcyQCAzMC4wLjA.#/modern/21EO00egs3pk9v00I2emp0x2pk](https://app.geckoform.com/public/?_gl=1*p93t5q*_ga*MTczMTEzNjlyQ54xNzAxMjUyMDg1*_ga_Q0JAZKSES_N*MTcwMTU1MjA4NC4xLjEuMTcwMTU1MjcyQCAzMC4wLjA.#/modern/21EO00egs3pk9v00I2emp0x2pk)

By registering online and signing in on the day of the fair, you automatically enter a draw to win a Winter Hamper filled with an array of festive food and drinks.

Be part of this festive celebration and embrace the spirit of sustainability!

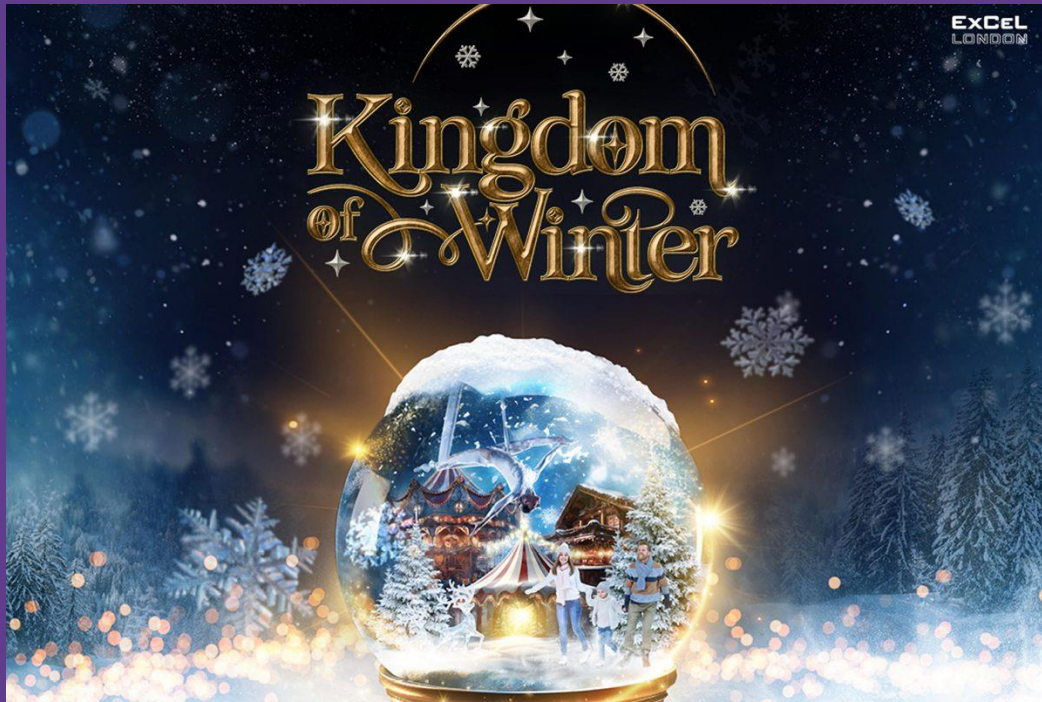
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## Kingdom of Winter

This Christmas, whisk your family away on a magical adventure. Journey to the Kingdom of Winter – London’s exciting new destination for festive fun at ExCeL London.

This is London’s only indoor festive experience designed with all the convenience that families need to make a perfect day out. Step into another world and enjoy a host of attractions, including a winter themed circus, ice skating, fairground rides, ice expedition trail, an alpine-style Christmas market and a tantalising range of festive food and drink all under one roof.

**Dates: 8<sup>th</sup> December 2023 – 7<sup>th</sup> January 2024**

Open 10am until 8pm. Last entry tickets 6/6.30pm.

Entry from £5.50 per person, no booking fees.



Book your entry and attraction tickets today:

<https://kingdomofwinter.seetickets.com/timeslots/filter/kingdom-of-winter-entry>

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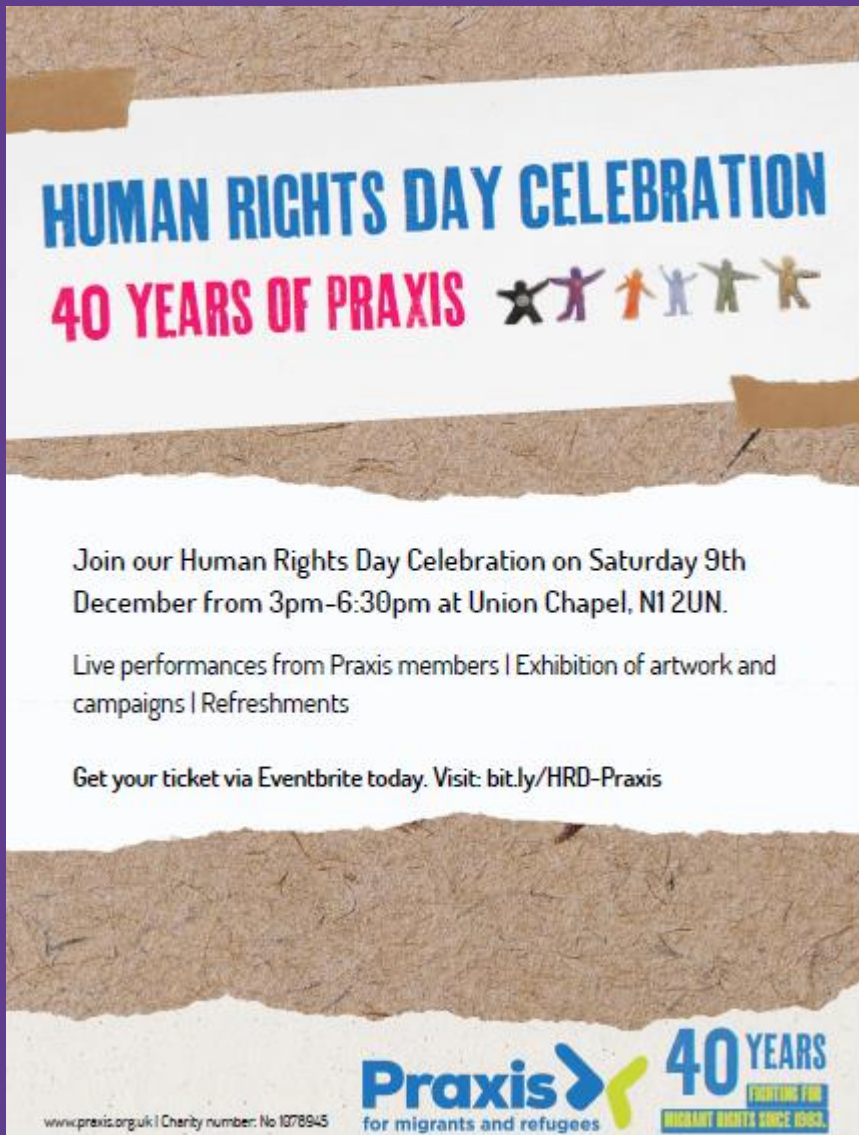
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## Human Rights Day Celebration

Address: Union Chapel, 19b Compton Terrace, London N1 2UN

Date: Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> December 2023

Book Tickets:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/human-rights-day-celebration-tickets-749090318307?aff=ebdsoporgprofile>

Join our Human Rights Day Celebration on Saturday 9th December from 3pm-6:30pm at Union Chapel, N1 2UN.

Live performances from Praxis members | Exhibition of artwork and campaigns | Refreshments

Get your ticket via Eventbrite today. Visit: [bit.ly/HRD-Praxis](https://bit.ly/HRD-Praxis)

Get ready for an afternoon filled with music, dance, and spoken word as the Praxis community comes together to celebrate Human Rights Day.

As you arrive, there will be refreshments and a beautiful exhibition of artwork by Praxis members from the past year for you to check out.

We've got an incredible line up of community performers that are

guaranteed to leave you feeling moved and joyful. Following the performances, a delicious hot meal will be available for those interested.

There will also be an additional exhibition by Amnesty International and Artvocate.co, 'A Canvas of Courage: Bridging the dividing world with activist art in support of Human Rights', open for your viewing.

All tickets include a donation. Children go free but please register.

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Celebrate the holiday season with our Festive Ornament Decorating event! It's the perfect opportunity to let your creativity shine. Bring your friends and family and join us for a festive and fun-filled afternoon of ornament making.

This event is suitable for ages 5 - 11 years, so little one's can channel their inner artist. Keep little hands busy while our community shop team help your child create a treasured keepsake. Join us at the Festive Ornament Decorating event and make your holidays even more special. See you there!

**Time & Date:**

Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> December 2023 from  
10am – 12pm

**Location:**

Good Hotel,  
Western Gateway, London  
E16 1FA

**Book Tickets:**

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/festive-ornament-decorating-tickets-759810994137?utm-campaign=social&utm-content=attendeeshare&utm-medium=discovery&utm-term=listing&utm-source=cp&aff=ebdsshcopyurl>

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## WELCOME NEWHAM NEWS



### RDLAC –

RDLAC and Blake House Craft Centre are having a community trip on the **14<sup>th</sup> December 2023 at 11am.**

We have 10 funded (free) spaces for refugees, Asylum seekers through the Welcome Newham Project - flyers for the trip attached.

Meeting at RDLAC at 11am and being taken by coach to the craft centre for afternoon tea. The coach returns between 5pm - 6pm depending on traffic.

### Location:

RDLAC, Albert Road, North Woolwich, E16 2JB

If you'll like to attend this free trip please email RDLAC at [admin@rdlac.org.uk](mailto:admin@rdlac.org.uk)

RDLAC's Welcome Newham Flyer has dates of our events to help those newly arrived to Newham meet and connect with Newham Residents with celebrated traditions



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## WELCOME NEWHAM NEWS

### Winter Market

#### Location:

Rosetta Arts,  
1 Hamilton Rd  
London  
E15 3AE

#### Date & Time:

Saturday 16th December, from 12pm

We are having Winter Market event, with taster workshops, shopping and fun for all the family. Come join us for to support some independent makers, make something creative yourself, and have a fun day out!



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## WELCOME NEWHAM NEWS

**DOCKLANDS VILLAGE NURSERY**  
It takes a village to raise a child

- FESTIVE CRAFTS
- BUBBLES
- FESTIVE MUSIC FUN

**Christmas**  
CRAFTS & CARD  
MAKING

Ho Ho Ho Docklands Village Nursery

**FREE FAMILY EVENT**  
2.30 - 4.30PM

**SATURDAY 16TH DECEMBER**

**AGES UNDER 5 YRS**

EMAIL TO BOOK:  
[HELLO@DOCKLANDSVILLAGENURSERY.COM](mailto:HELLO@DOCKLANDSVILLAGENURSERY.COM)

15 LYELL ST, LONDON CITY ISLAND, E14 0SZ

### Christmas Crafts & Card Making

#### Location:

Docklands Village Nursery  
15 Lyell Street,  
London City Island  
E14 0SZ

#### Date & Time:

Saturday 16th December,  
2:30PM – 4:30PM

Come along to our Free Magical Christmas event celebrating the festive season. Meet Santa in his grotto, Christmas craft making for the whole family, Christmas carol singing, festive games and much much more! Booking is essential.

- For families with children under 5 years. Parents may take photos and videos of their own child/ren with Santa on their mobile phones.

**Book Tickets:** <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/free-fun-family-christmas-event-tickets-764939122507?utm-campaign=social&utm-content=attendeeshare&utm-medium=discovery&utm-term=listing&utm-source=cp&aff=ebdsshcopyurl>

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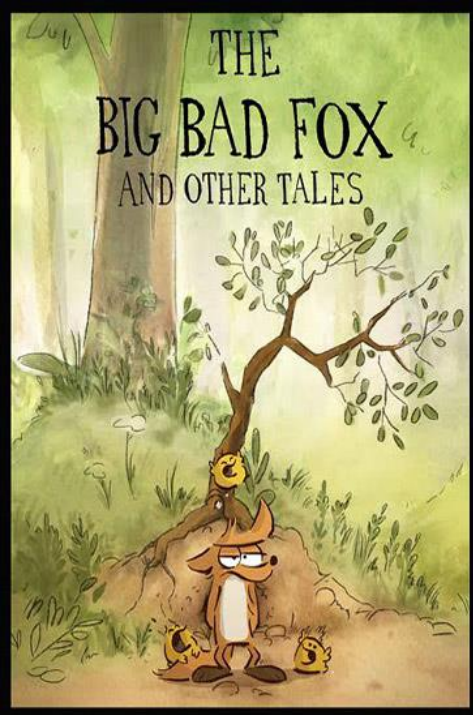
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## WELCOME NEWHAM NEWS



### Film Screenings with Film London TNBFC: The Big Bad Fox

Based on the comic books written by co-director Benjamin Renner, this cute animated collection features a group of theatrical animal actors as they perform three short shows for their audience.

The first, Baby Delivery follows the adventures of a rabbit, a pig and a duck as they attempt to deliver a new-born baby for a stork but soon discover how difficult it is. The Big Bad Fox sees the eponymous creature steal eggs from a chicken, but his plan backfires when they hatch and believe he's their mother. And the final story, Saving Christmas, sees the farmyard creatures group together as they try to find a new Santa Claus in time for Christmas.

Recommended for: ages 5+

Free with your Entry ticket.

(If you need help paying for your tickets, please email us asap at [welcome.newham@newham.gov.uk](mailto:welcome.newham@newham.gov.uk), will be able to help financially)

Dates & Time:

Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> December 2023 at 2pm – 4pm

Part of a season of family film screenings, with The New Black Film Collective and Film London. Along with each film, children will be able to explore the idea of going on an adventure and take part in a story build led by Discover's expert Story Builders.



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## WELCOME NEWHAM NEWS

# FREE ART SCHOOL E20

### Free Art School E20 Exhibition & workshop programme

#### Date & Time:

Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> November 2023  
6pm – 9pm

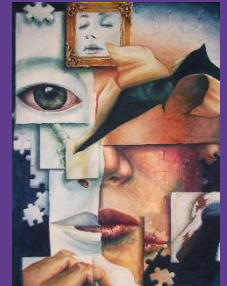
#### Location:

50 Celebration Av, London E20 1DB

Private View: Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> November (6pm – 9pm)

Exhibition open 1<sup>st</sup> December – 7<sup>th</sup> January: Friday – Sunday 12pm – 5pm

Closed for Christmas 21<sup>st</sup> Dec to 31<sup>st</sup> Dec



Free Art School comes from our desire to create an inspiring and inclusive exhibition with accompanying events for local residents at a time when more people than ever are put off accessing creative arts in school or higher education. The exhibition takes place in the new E20 neighbourhood area which was the former Olympic Athletes village. Artists were selected who live and work close by and are contributing workshops for free.

Exhibited work will include virtual reality, painting, drawing, furniture design and site-specific text. Free and low-cost workshops to unlock your creativity will take place on Sundays 10 December and 7 January from 12-6, delivered by artists in the exhibition.

#### Sunday 10 December 12-2pm

Introduction to Virtual Reality Storytelling (with multiple VR experiences on view) by Electric Skies.  
FREE

#### Sunday 10 December 2-4pm

Riding the White Elephant through Westfield. FREE - all ages welcome.

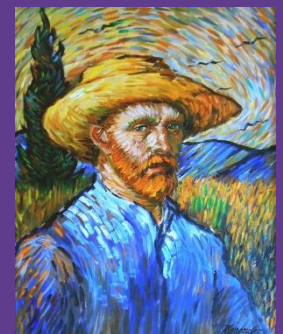
#### Sunday 10 December 2-4pm

Borrow and steal like an artist - Collage workshop for all ages with Alex Fox FREE

#### Sunday 10 December 4-6pm

Drawing Portraits with Wilfrid Wood

The idea will be not to attempt photorealistic drawings but to find the most characteristic elements of the way a person looks and to slightly emphasise them. £5, materials provided



**Book Tickets:** <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/free-art-school-e20-exhibition-and-workshop-programme-tickets-748387405877?aff=ebdssbdestsearch>

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Royal Docks Learning & Activity Centre

## WELCOME NEWHAM PROJECT

**SUPPORTING ALL NEWLY ARRIVED NEWHAM RESIDENTS, INCLUDING NEWLY ARRIVED UKRAINIANS, THOSE SUBJECT TO NO RECOURSE TO PUBLIC FUNDS (NRPF), REFUGEES AND THOSE SEEKING ASYLUM.**

### WELCOME & WELL-BEING CHAMPION SUPPORT

**MEET RDLAC'S WELCOME AND WELL-BEING CHAMPION**

**MONDAYS - TUESDAYS - THURSDAYS 10AM - 1.30PM.**

THE WELCOME AND WELLBEING CHAMPION WILL HELP INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES SIGN UP FOR RDLAC'S SERVICES FOR COMMUNITY MEMBERS INCLUDING;

**WALKING GROUP - WOMENS ART GROUP -  
MENS MH SUPPORT GROUP - FOODBANK - YOGA -  
FRIENDSHIP GROUPS - COMMUNITY CAFE - WARM HUB -  
CHATTY CAFÉ - COOKING TUTORIALS - YOUTH CLUB**

### WELCOME LUNCHES & COMMUNITY TRIPS

**FUNDED WELCOME LUNCHES** - MEET OTHER NEWLY ARRIVED NEWHAM RESIDENTS AND LOCAL COMMUNITY MEMBERS - 12PM - 2PM ON;

**14/2/24 - 14/3/24 - 23/4/24 - 6/6/24**

**FUNDED COMMUNITY MONTHLY TRIPS** TO UK PLACES OF INTEREST - 10 SPACES FUNDED EACH MONTH INCLUDING COACH AND MEAL - CONTACT US FOR DATES, PLACES AND TO SIGN UP [ADMIN@RDLAC.ORG.UK](mailto:ADMIN@RDLAC.ORG.UK)

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT US**

**EMAIL: [DEPUTY@RDLAC.ORG.UK](mailto:DEPUTY@RDLAC.ORG.UK)**

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# Welcome Newham partnership with Small Grants Organisations

Organisations	Summary of Projects
Alternatives Trust	Courses in our Centre's 'Learning Hub' – a boardroom with a screen and donated laptops to fill basic skills gaps that prevent women from finding work or studying in the UK. They aim to help women be ready to find work when they have the immigration status that allows them to do so.
Bonny Downs Community Association	Family Hub project welcomes all refugee/ migrants/asylum seekers parents in Newham with dependent children who are struggling to raise family on their families on very low incomes and/or without the support network of extended family nearby. The free weekly drop-in group offers food, peer support, donated second hand clothing, parent-led cooking workshops, toys for the children to play with, and trained advocates who can help with immigration/housing/domestic abuse/school registrations
Eastside Community Heritage	This project aims to enable refugees to explore places in Newham and find out about their cultural, community and heritage associations.
Inspire Women, Men and Children	Help people prepare for life in Newham through social activities, training and volunteering opportunities.
Newham Community Project	Employability, healthy eating clubs, workshops on health, outreach and resettlement support
RDLAC	RDLAC Champion will provide support to the community making them aware of RDLAC projects including walk groups, art groups, mental health support groups, youth groups, gardening groups, cooking tutorials and hot meals, and friendships groups. In addition, there will be 10 funded places each month for individuals / families to join RDLAC monthly coach trips and community events.
Rosetta Arts	Work jointly on creative activities aimed at developing skills in textile-making and social entrepreneurship.

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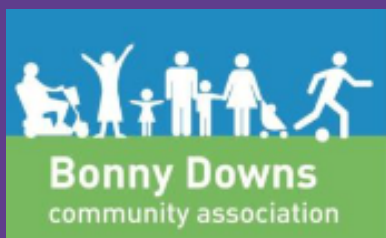
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# Welcome Newham partnership with Small Grants Organisations part 2

Organisations	Summary of Projects
Skills Enterprise	Provide monthly and weekly activities that will support refugees and people seeking asylum in building social connections, raising their awareness and knowledge about UK systems and accessing appropriate support.
The new Black Film Collective	Over the course of the project, we will hold nine events for groups moving into Newham: three for people of African heritage, three for people of Asian heritage and three for people of Eastern European heritage. Each of these events will be held at mostly Stratford East Picturehouse and will include a free screening, a culturally-specific performance, talks from members of the community and a series of stalls for businesses and services, which aim to support migrants settling in Newham.



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