



Children & Education's Anti-Racist Conference: Book your tickets now!

I am very proud to invite you to take part in this really urgent and important event. Hackney's Anti-Racist conference has been in the making for several months now, organised by Children and Education colleagues and is the culmination of a real commitment across our directorate to make Hackney the place for anti-racist practices to thrive. We have inspiring speakers including David Weaver, Rosemary Campbell-Stephens MBE, Dr Shola Mos-Shogbamimu and Dr Muna Abdi. There are sessions all staff are invited to, and practice workshops for those working with children, schools and families.

I would encourage you to come along to the in-person event at St John at Hackney Church on the 9th May: [Book](#)

Many of us have felt trauma and shock to learn of the humiliating treatment of a Black girl in a school in our borough. It has brought into sharp focus the need for us to act collectively and individually to drive out racism from our work with every child and every family and Hackney. This conference aims to focus on practice to unmask, repair and prevent racial trauma for Black and Global majority families. It will also help us to understand racism and historical trauma. For White colleagues, it will also help us to be better public servants, leaders, colleagues, managers and friends. Our anti-racist practice can only succeed if we all own and shape this work- we encourage **White colleagues to be present and contribute to the conversation** if we are to help fight injustice in Hackney. Injustice like we have seen most recently in the terrible case of Child Q.

We want leaders, staff and partners from across the Council and Hackney to work through an approach with us at this event, where you will have an awareness and understanding of racial trauma and begin to examine strategies for healing and

transformation. There has never been a more important time to drive change. It's also Mental Health Awareness Week and we want to highlight the impact of racism on mental health.

There will be opportunities throughout the conference to hear from inspiring speakers and contribute in panel discussions, confront your racism within and challenge systemic racism through learning innovative strategies. If you feel partners you work with will benefit - please send them [the link](#) to the event.

Jacquie Burke
Group Director, Children and Education

Keynote speakers, workshops and panel schedule (open to all staff and partners):

Children's & Education Anti-Racist Conference - Day Event

Monday 9 May 2022 9.30am-4pm

Book an all-day ticket, featuring keynote speakers **David Weaver and Rosemary Campbell Stephens MBE** (includes networking event and lunch). David and Rosemary are experts and thought leaders who will discuss "what is racism?" and historical trauma. Venue: St John at Hackney

[Book](#)

or

AM tickets

David Weaver - What is racism

9.30am-11am. Children's & Education Anti-Racist Conference opening keynote session: **David Weaver** (St John at Hackney venue). Followed by: (11.15am-12.15pm) Panel Discussion following David Weaver with Jacquie Burke, Diane Benjamin, Annie Gammon and Deputy Mayor Bramble (St John at Hackney). [Book](#)

PM tickets

Rosemary Campbell-Stephens MBE - Historical Trauma

1.45pm – 4pm. Keynote session: **Rosemary Campbell-Stephens MBE** (St John at Hackney), introduced by Diane Benjamin and Jacquie Burke. Followed (3pm-4pm) interactive Q&A. [Book](#)
Colleagues are invited to join the Networking session from 1pm.

Tuesday 10th May 2022

Workshop: A Brave Space to Speak about Race

1pm-2.30pm. Workshop: A Brave Space to Speak about Race with Children & Education (with Diane Benjamin & Annie Gammon). This workshop will provide an opportunity for staff from all disciplines across the organisation to reflect on racism and the emotional aspects of their work. Venue: [Tomlinson Centre](#) All staff welcome. [Book](#)

Workshop: Black Trauma & Trauma-Informed Anti-Racist Community Work

These two sessions will discuss and explain what Black trauma is and the impact of collective Black trauma on children and Black people as a community. Facilitated by Black Learning Achievement and Mental Health UK (BLAM).
Venue: [Tomlinson Centre](#) All staff welcome.

Book [Tuesday 10th May 9.30am - 10.30am](#)

Book [Tuesday 10th May 11am - 12 noon](#)

Wednesday 11th May 2022

Workshop: Self-Regulation for Co-Regulation: Racialised Trauma Sensitivity

Online: These two practical virtual sessions will focus on experiential learning to equip you with the skills and strategies to physically deal with regulating feelings of racialised trauma sensitivity when they arise in your work. NB: Doing this workshop will require you to be in a room with personal space to move around.

Book [Wednesday 11th May 9.30 – 10.30](#)

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Workshop: The voice and influence of Young Futures

1.30pm – 2.30pm. Online Workshop: Hackney Young Futures Legacy Champions will be exploring how young people's mental health is affected by issues of racism and how an anti-racist practice can support the lives of young people in Hackney. Each breakout room will then focus on a specific area such as mental health, family and health. This workshop will bring more awareness of young people's experiences of racism in all spheres of life. [Book](#)

Thursday 12th May 2022

Conversation with Dr Shola Mos-Shogbamimu: Dr Shola tackles topical issues and takes your questions.

9.45am – 11am. Keynote session: **Dr Shola Mos-Shogbamimu (Online)**

Followed by 'The voice of our children and families'

11.15am – 12.15pm Facilitated by Orlene Badu. We hear directly from our young people on how we can provide an more effective anti-racist service for them (Online). [Book](#)

Dr Muna Abdi - Anti-racism in practice

1:45pm – 3:30pm. Keynote session: **Dr Muna Abdi**, introduced by Deputy Mayor Bramble and closing remarks from Diane Benjamin, Jackie Burke, and Annie Gammon (Online). [Book](#)

Workshops for Children and Education staff (Tuesday 10th and Wednesday 11th)

Please see all the details [here](#)

[Speaker's Bios](#)

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