

'Mixed Race & Care'

Saturday 16th July 2010, 2:00-5:00pm

Conference Schedule

2:00	Opening Address - Chair <i>Timothy Bosworth</i>
2:10-2:45	'Mixedness: race culture & ethnicity in fostering' <i>Fiona Peters</i>
2:45-3.20	'Mixed Blessings: A reflection of growing up in care' <i>Vicki Hart-Dale</i>
3:20-3:45	Tea/Coffee Break
3:45-4:15	'Raising Aspirations: life after care' <i>Ashley John-Baptiste</i>
4:15-4:50	Workshop - Discussions <i>where are we now?</i> <i>what still needs to be done?</i>
4:50-5.00	Closing Address - Chair <i>Timothy Bosworth</i>

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Timothy Bosworth

Timothy Bosworth is the Managing Director of Thinkbigbebig Media which helps business's with their digital and business strategy. He is also the Founder of the Thinkbigbebig Group which is an innovation hub for consumer lifestyle brands.

With a background in psychology his interests include, human behaviour, social media, mobile and the consumer economy. He has been featured as an ambassador on MTV as part of the "A Grand Idea" which was a national campaign to engage young people (14 – 25) in setting up their own enterprise. As well as this, he has been featured on thestartups.co.uk website, which showcases business entrepreneurs.

He is regularly asked to speak at industry events about entrepreneurship, social media, internet marketing and digital branding. Most recently at Universal Mobile Apps London, 2010 Youth Forum in Estonia, and the (ACYE) African & Caribbean Young Enterprise in Bristol on behalf of the The African and Caribbean Chambers of Commerce (ACCCE).

He is also a first time author of a multicultural children's book series called "Harmony Bear" With the first book "Harmony Bear Goes To Pre School" out now."

Fiona Peters

Fiona Peters completed her PhD at Goldsmiths last year titled 'who cares about mixed race? care experiences of young people in an inner city borough'. She is currently working on a book by, and for, young people in care and is working with a group of young people to create a performance piece around their care experiences.

Vicki Hart-Dale

Vicki Hart-Dale is of mixed race. After the death of her mother Vicki was fostered by a black family until the age of 15. Vicki experienced difficulty with the social care system, both in terms of how she was defined as a mixed race teenager and in her personal choice of foster family. As an adult Vicki is keen to talk to others mixed race young people about identity and social definition, through writing articles and, most recently, by making an independent documentary film based on her own experiences and the experience of other mixed race individuals.

Ashley John-Baptiste

Ashley John-Baptiste was placed in care from the age of four. Over the next 14 years he lived in a number of foster homes and a children's home. He puts his ambition to succeed down to his religious faith and a belief in "something bigger".

He left care at 18 and is now studying history at Cambridge University (Fitzwilliam College). He is a young ambassador for the British Council representing the UK at international forums. When he finishes university he wants to put his entrepreneurial and diplomatic skills to use, perhaps by setting up a social enterprise.

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