



**DEVELOPING TOGETHER**

SOCIAL WORK  
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# Hidden Black History

Presentation followed by Reflective Discussion

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# Exercise

What Black History do you know about?

Please put this in the chat.

# The Black History you may not know about



The following presentation is inspired by Lavinia Stennett, founder of [The Black Curriculum](#), an organisation that wants to decolonise the curriculum in schools and promote hidden black history.



Research from the University of Reading in 2010 showed a British-Roman woman in York, whose remains were found in 1901, had African ancestry



Henry VIII's  
black  
trumpeter

John Blanke  
can be seen on  
a roll from the  
1500s at the  
National  
Archives



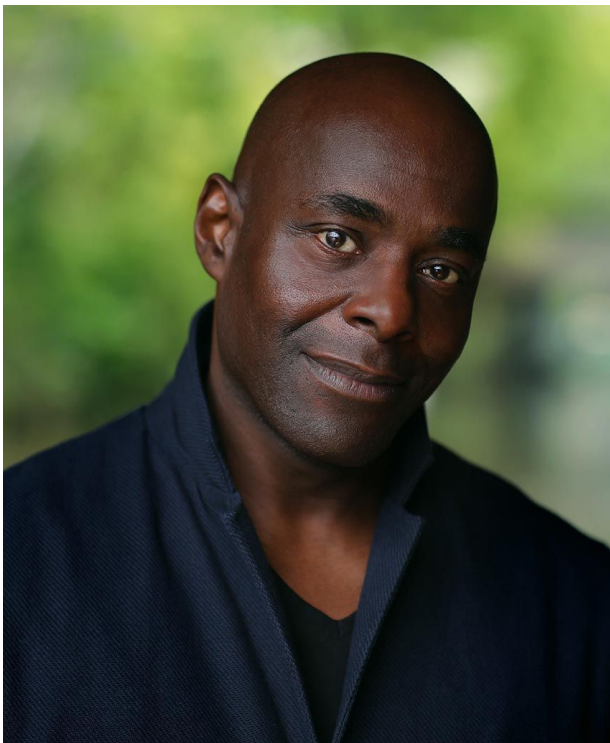
Britain's first black  
Queen?

Portrait of Queen  
Charlotte by Johan  
Joseph Zoffany



Ignatius Sancho 1729-1780:  
the first Black Man in  
History to vote





Paterson Joseph: Actor has written a play based on the life of Ignatius Sancho





**Olaudah Equiano**  
**(c.1745-1797)**

**Abolitionist**



**Ira Aldridge (1807-1867)**

**Shakespearean Actor**



**Fanny Eaton**  
**(1835-unknown)**

**Artists' Model**

**Worked at The Royal  
Academy**



**John Edmonstone  
(1793-1822)**

**John Edmonstone  
taught at Edinburgh  
University in the 19th  
century and taught  
the young Charles  
Darwin!**





**WW1 and the race riots that followed**

**Charles Wotten, a black serviceman, was killed in the race riots**



These children are lining up in Brixton, south London, to see Queen Mary open Lambeth Town Hall in 1938



**Lilian Bader (1918-2015)**

**born in 1918 in Liverpool and  
went on to become one of the  
very first black women to join  
the British Armed Forces.**



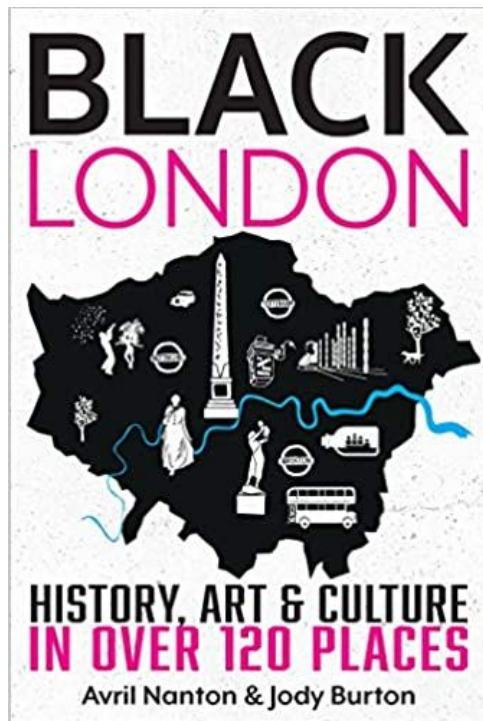


**The Bristol bus boycott**

**A newspaper cutting shows students marching in Bristol in protest against a "colour bar" on the buses**



**Guy Bailey, Roy Hackett  
and Paul Stephenson with  
a 1960s-era Bristol bus**



## **Black London: History, Art & Culture in Over 120 Places (Inkspire)**

*From the Tudor Period to Today, including the Nelson Mandela Statue, Cleopatra's Needle, the Black Lives Matter Mural, and More*

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**Black history is all around us in the UK, but too often it is hidden away or forgotten about.**

### **Modern martyrs**

*Most people miss the Black statues on the gate of Westminster Abbey*

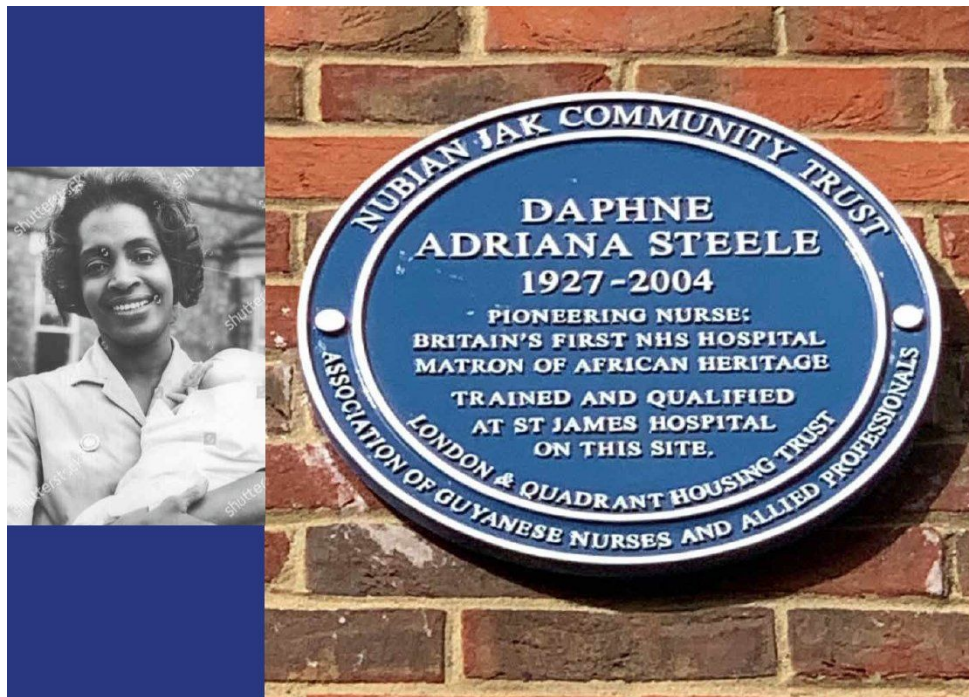
**Westminster Abbey, West gate,  
20 Deans Yard, SW1P 3PA**





## Plaque to Ignatius Sancho

Foreign and Commonwealth Office, King  
Charles Street, SW1A 2AH



## **Plaque to Daphne Adriana Steele**

The first nurse to be made a matron in the NHS

**Former St James Hospital, Balham, SW12**



## Plaque to Emma Clarke

The UK's first black female footballer  
(b.1871)

**Campsbourne Primary School,  
Nightingale Lane, Hornsey, N8 7AF**



**Image of Emma Clarke**



# Black History Walks



<https://blackhistorywalks.co.uk/walks-tours/>

# The Big Question



How do we ensure that future black history does not remain hidden?