

2021 Awards Ceremony Programme

Thursday 28th January

Welcome

The 2021 Community Integration Awards, aim to shine a light on the inspirational ways in which migrant, refugee and more 'settled' communities are coming together to support each other during the Covid-19 pandemic.

Thank you for joining us to celebrate and recognise these incredible efforts! While we cannot come together in person, we are so delighted to welcome you for a fantastic line up.

If you're interested in getting involved or supporting the next Awards, please get in touch, we'd love to hear from you: info@integrationawards.uk

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5.45 Music Recorded by **Pamoja Music UK** in Association with One Nation Studios.

1. *Kwa Zulu*, Sharon
2. *On This Journey*, Mamajay (Featuring James Cannock & Jethro).
3. *Generique*, Sweet Music

The Community Integration Awards team are very grateful to the artists for sharing their wonderful music at our ceremony.

6.00 Welcome Address: **Dr Rachel Marangozov, Chair of MigrationWork Trust**

6.10 Keynote: **Kim Leadbeater MBE**

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6.25 Award Presentations



Safety For All

Shortlisted Projects:

- Bees and Refugees
- Create and Express Ltd - BAME vs Covid-19 Musical Project
- Central and West Integration Network
- Delta Alpha Delta, Fraternity of Fathers
- Destitute Project - Manchester Refugee Support Network
- Sing for Freedom Choir, Together Productions



Connecting Communities:

Shortlisted Projects:

- 91 Ways to Build a Global City
- Bridges for Communities
- Café Laziz
- Citizens of the World Choir
- Coexist Community Kitchen
- Pamoja Music UK
- Routes
- Weekend Club
- Interfaith Glasgow
- Welcome House
- Xenia

7.00 Q&A with special guest, Steve Chandra Savale, Asian Dub Foundation

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7.20 Award Announcements continued:



Equality Access & Rights

Shortlisted Projects:

- Birmingham Refugee and Asylum Seeker Solidarity
- Have Your Passport Ready, Stand & Be Counted Theatre Company
- Middle Eastern Women & Society Organisation
- Migrants At Work
- North West Migrants Forum
- Young Europeans Network, The3Million
- Settled
- Youth Welfare Officer Project, Refugee Rights Europe

7.35 Closing the ceremony: **Dr Rachel Marangozov**

7.40 Sing for Freedom Choir, *I Choose Love*

The [Sing for Freedom Choir](#) is made up of displaced people who are survivors of torture, and others who join to sing in solidarity with them. The choir is a project of [Together Productions](#)

The Community Integration Awards team are very grateful to the choir for sharing this beautiful song with us on this special evening!



Kim Leadbeater MBE

Kim Leadbeater is an ambassador for [the Jo Cox Foundation](#) which was set up after the murder of her sister, Jo Cox MP, on June 16th 2016. She chairs [the Batley & Spen 'More In Common'](#) volunteer group and is spokesperson for The Great Get Together, an annual weekend of community events across the UK held in June.

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Kim lives in the constituency of Batley and Spen where she and Jo grew up and which Jo represented in parliament from the general election in 2015 until her death.

She is a self-employed fitness professional and former lecturer in physical activity and health, with a passion for holistic wellbeing. Since Jo's death she has devoted much of her time to creating a positive legacy for her sister and has worked tirelessly to create as much positive energy and action from Jo's horrific murder. Through her work in Yorkshire and across the UK, she champions the importance of strong communities, where everyone has a sense of identity and belonging, inspired by Jo's words in her first speech to parliament when she said: "we have far more in common than that which divides us."

Speaking of the Great Get Together, Kim said:

"The Great Get Together is about celebrating the strength of our communities - focusing on the things we have in common and taking some time out to connect on a human level. By building strong communities where we all have a sense of identity and belonging, and meeting people we may not normally meet, we can work towards tackling issues such as loneliness and social isolation and break down barriers which can cause division."



Steve Chandra Savale, Asian Dub Foundation

Steve Chandra Savale, aka Chandrasonic, is guitarist, producer and composer and founding member of Asian Dub Foundation.

Formed from a workshop at Community Music, Asian Dub Foundation created a unique genre combining tough jungle rhythms, dub bass lines and wild guitar overlaid by references to their South Asian roots and militant high-speed rap, establishing the band as one of the best live bands in the world!

Their 9th Album 'Access Denied' includes *Comin' Over Here*, a collaboration with comedian Stewart Lee which satirises casual anti-immigrant rhetoric. The track reached number 1 on the sales chart for Brexit day and the band have

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donated a share of the money raised from sales to the Kent Refugee Action Network (KRAN), a charity that supports young refugees striving to live independent and successful lives in the community.

Friends of the Awards

We are very grateful for the wonderful support of On Road Media and Nicola Parker to the 2021 Awards Prize Packages.



An interactive seminar masterclass on communications and how to engage with the media safely and strategically.

On Road Media was set up in 2008 to tackle social problems by taking a very different approach to communications work for the third sector.

“We provide in-depth support for people with experience of social issues to carry out media and influencing work safely and strategically. We don’t just reach people who are systematically excluded, we work hand in hand with them to create change, developing ways to support people who want to tell their own stories and share their expertise. From self care and boundaries, to shaping narratives and payment, we have become the go-to organisation for guidance.

We take a relationship-based approach to communications. Journalists are people too, with prejudices and rich emotional lives. It is far more effective to provide them with safe, convenient spaces to build relationships with people to change the way they feel. This leads to sustainable changes in practice and motivation to create better media content with the support of our networks.

Central to our projects is evidence-backed framing. We use the best available communications research to inform our practices in training, peer support sessions and interactions with journalists. We bring sector leaders together, people with lived experience together, to work with framing insights collaboratively.

This approach is used with all the sectors we work with - sexual and domestic violence, migration, poverty, palliative care, LGBTQ and climate.”

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Nicola Parker:

A Professional 1-1 coaching session or group workshop

Nicola Parker is a coaching and HR consultant with expertise across the Refugee and Migration Sector.

“I am passionate that organisational cultures, management approaches and workplace practices enable individuals (an organisations most valuable resource) to thrive and grow. I enjoy working collaboratively with leaders & charities across the Refugee & Migration sector where I can add value through my HR, charity leadership & coaching expertise.

Over the last 20 years, I have worked to ensure the HR practices I develop and advocate seek to see the individual in front of me as so much more than a ‘human resource’.

I strongly believe conversations that use coaching skills create the best conditions for individual development and empowerment – applicable to how we show up & support staff, volunteers and beneficiaries. I help individuals navigate change & challenge through 1:1 coaching as well as supporting the development of coaching skills and coaching & HR consultancy capabilities in others through delivering training and workshops.

I was part of the senior leadership team of a national refugee charity for over a decade and am currently a trustee for ASAP (Asylum Support Appeals Project).

I am a member of the CIPD and ICF, and am a trained coach.”

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Thank you to our judges:



SAFETY FOR ALL



Patrick Vernon OBE



Dr Rachel Marangozov



Hassan Akkad



CONNECTING COMMUNITIES



Dipali Chandra



Sandra Penazola T-Rice



Iona Lawrence

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EQUALITY, ACCESS & RIGHTS



Fatima Iftikhar



Renae Mann



Chai Patel

You can read more about our wonderful [judging panels on our website](#).

Award Categories



Connecting Communities:

The pandemic has highlighted and exacerbated existing issues around isolation, loneliness and exclusion for those at the margins of our society. Given this, we are interested in projects that have strengthened social connections between different groups in their community. This could include any work that brings together communities in new and innovative ways while social distancing is in place. For example, work connecting different parts of the community (employers, faith-based groups or volunteers); work that builds friendships or that reassures those who are feeling anxious; arts-based projects that encourage connectedness or work that connects people via digital means. This is not an exhaustive list.



Safety For All:

The crisis has impacted people differently. It has left some groups in society, such as those from minority ethnic groups or families on low incomes, more exposed to the impacts of Covid-19 than others. As such, we are interested in work that supports safety and wellbeing for people in the

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community in an inclusive way. This could include efforts to improve access to key health and social services; work to reduce health inequalities; projects that support wellbeing, mental health, or initiatives that focus on food security or access to medicine or personal protective equipment. This is not an exhaustive list.



Equality, Access & Rights:

In recent years, many people have seen their right to equality, justice and opportunity eroded in a number of different areas, including housing, welfare support, immigration, detention, employment and criminal justice. The pandemic has exacerbated this situation by widening inequalities and hindering routes to redress these. It has also impacted people's ability to access to support and the willingness of many vulnerable groups to come forward and seek advice. Given this, we invite nominations from any project or initiative that works to improve equality of opportunity or provide better access to justice or rights-based support/ advocacy. This could include campaigning or advocacy work to raise awareness of inequality and injustice; data collection to identify or target unmet needs; or any direct action to target specific issues, such as digital poverty. Again, this is not an exhaustive list.

About us:

The Community Integration Awards are the only awards scheme of its kind to recognise and reward best practice in community integration in the United Kingdom. Previous winners have gone on to gain further recognition by the likes of Forbes 30 Under 30, the Royal Historical Society and the UK Parliament helping to raise their profile and attract funding and support to take their work forward.

The Awards are run by the MigrationWork Trust for community benefit and aim to promote integration and social inclusion for the public benefit. The Trust aims to do this by preventing migrants from becoming socially excluded and assisting their integration into the communities into which they settle. The Trust is the beneficiary of MigrationWork CIC, an independent, not-for-profit consultancy.

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