

National Inter Faith Week 11-19th Nov 2017

Birmingham Programme

Please find below the list, in chronological order, of events taking place in Birmingham during Interfaith Week. These are registered with IFN (Interfaith Network) www.interfaith.org.uk, which is responsible for the overall programme across the UK, and listed on the website of the Birmingham Council of Faiths at www.bhamfaiths.org.uk. We hope that you will find something of interest and attend one or more of these events.

Further details of specific events can be obtained from the person listed, or in difficulty please contact the coordinators of the programme Dr Peter Rookes at pjrookes@gmail.com, or phone 0121 477 2282 or 077 033 360 88.

Name of event Birmingham Launch Event **Date** Fri 10th Nov **Start time** 2.30pm **Finish time** 4.30pm

Location: Birmingham Council House, Victoria Square, City Centre, B1 1BB

Accessibility, including parking, wheelchair access, disabled toilet, loop system, etc: All facilities availability

Description of event: Birmingham Interfaith Week programme will be officially launched by the Lord Mayor. Attendance is by invitation

Organisation holding the event: Birmingham Council of Faiths/Birmingham City Council

Contact name, phone, e-mail and website: Ruth Tetlow

Name of event: Devotional programme 'Celebrating Interfaith - The Golden Rule'

Date: Thurs 10th Nov **Start time:** 1pm **Finish time:** 1.30pm

Location of event, including postcode: QE Hospital, Faith & Community Centre (1st floor - Quiet Room), Mindelsohn Way, B15 2TH

Accessibility, including parking, wheelchair access, disabled toilet, loop system, etc. Full access, including wheelchair; Hospital parking. No refreshments

Description of event: This is part of the weekly 'Tranquillity Zone' series (programme of readings, prayers, music, meditation) held at the QE Hospital Faith & Community Centre

Organisation holding the event: Birmingham Baha'i Community in conjunction with QE Chaplaincy

Contact name, phone, e-mail and website (if any):

Dr Semira Manaseki-Holland: S.ManasekiHolland@bham.ac.uk or call Mrs Bindert: 07947166972

Name of event: Talk and discussion by Barney Leith, OBE: Spiritual but not Religious - can we separate spirituality and religion? a Baha'i perspective

Date: Thurs 9th Nov **Start time:** 6pm **Finish time:** 8pm

Location of event, including postcode: ERI Building (room G51), Pritchatts Rd. B15 2TT

Accessibility, including parking, wheelchair access, disabled toilet, loop system, etc. Good access, including wheelchair; parking- on nearby roads. No refreshments

Description of event: This is part of a series of talks organised by The University of Birmingham Baha'i Society for the Bicentenary year

Organisation holding the event: Baha'i Society in conjunction with the Theology Department at the University of Birmingham

For further information please contact: isa.birmingham@gmail.com or call Lois: 07598761333

Name of event Scout & Guide Remembrance Commemoration

Date Sat 11th Nov **Start time** 10.30 **Finish time** 11.45

Location of event, including postcode Scout War Memorial, Cannon Hill Park, next to Nature Centre, Pershore Road, B5 7RL

Accessibility, including parking, wheelchair access, disabled toilet, loop system, etc. Accessible from Pershore Rd, Car Park, Toilets in the MAC (Midlands Art Centre). This is an outdoor venue and suitable clothing for the weather and time of year should be worn. There is no seating provided and there is no "loop system" available at the Remembrance service. Members of uniformed organisations should wear uniform.

Please note that the car park is now pay and display.

Description of event The event commemorates people of all races and faiths who have lost their lives or suffered injuries in 2 world wars and the many conflicts since. Includes readings, the Last Post and Laying of Wreaths

Booking not necessary

Organisation holding the event Birmingham County Scouts

Contact further information on the website at www.birminghamscouts.org.uk/

Name of event: The BIG Interfaith Social: Food, Faith & Friendship

Date: Saturday 11th November 2017 **Start time:** 5.30pm **Finish time:** 7.30pm

Location of event, including postcode: KSIMC Mosque,17 Clifton Road, Balsall Heath, Birmingham, B12 8SX

Accessibility, including parking, wheelchair access, disabled toilet, loop system, etc:

Parking: Limited parking in the compound car park, disabled parking slots available here. Large, open, free car park opposite the mosque.

Wheelchair access: Wheel chair access through the gents and ladies main entrance

Disabled Toilets: One disabled toilet available in the compound

Description of event: The BIG Interfaith Social promises to be an evening of fun, food and friendship! Interactive quiz highlight of the evening, intertwined with cake decorating challenge and team building games. Team set up aims to facilitate interaction between youth and elders of the community and guests from other faiths. Quiz to include faith based and general trivia questions. Dinner and networking will follow after close of activities.

Organisation holding the event: KSIMC Birmingham

Contact name, phone, e-mail and website : Shenaz Sajan at Clifton Muslim Interfaith@gmail.com

Website: www.ksmnet.org

PRIVATE EVENT

Name of event: Interfaith Assemblies **Date:** Mon 13th – Fri 17th Nov

Location of event: George Dixon Academy

Description of event: Each day a trained faith guide from a different faith will conduct an assembly.

Organisation holding the event: Faith Encounter Programme and George Dixon Academy.

Name of event: Musical devotional **Date:** 13th Nov 17 **Start time:** 7pm **Finish time:** 9pm

Location of event, including postcode: 16 Reddings Road, Moseley, Birmingham, B13 8LN

Accessibility, including parking, wheelchair access, disabled toilet, loop system, etc. This is a private residence. Road parking is available. There is a toilet on the ground floor, but access is limited if in a wheelchair.

Description of event: The devotional programme will include readings and prayers, including form the Baha'i Faith on the themes of peace and unity, interspersed with music, offering space for reflection. The programme will be followed by light refreshments.

Organisation holding the event: The Baha'i community of Birmingham

Contact name, phone, e-mail and website (if any): Dr Dawn Parris (dawn.parris@gmail.com) or Mrs Bindert: 07947166972. Website: <https://www.bahai.org.uk/>

Name of event: Faiths, Health & Wellbeing Seminar

Date: Thurs 16th Nov **Start time** 9.30am (Registration from 9.00) **Finish time** 4.00pm

Location: Queen Elizabeth Hospital Postgraduate Centre, Opposite the Main Entrance, B15 2TH

This is a free event, but book with Eventbrite at <https://www.eventbrite.com/d/united-kingdom/faiths-health-and-wellbeing-seminar/>

Accessibility, including parking, wheelchair access, disabled toilet, loop system, etc: All facilities in the centre and/or the main hospital opposite. Transport by Bus or Train to University Station, Paid parking in multistorey carpark.

Description of event : The seminar will focus mainly on Disability and a Health & Social Care Update.

Organisation holding the event: Birmingham Council of Faiths supported by QE Hospital Chaplaincy

Contact name, phone, e-mail and website: Dr Peter Rookes, 0121 477 2282/077 033 360 88, pjrookes@gmail.com

Name of event Interfaith Variety of Performance

Date: Thurs 16th Nov **Start time** 6.30 for 7pm **Finish time** 8.30pm

Location The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, 4-8 Hampton Lane, Solihull, B91 2PR

Accessibility parking, wheelchair access, disabled toilet

Description of event A celebration of interfaith relations in Solihull in music, word and dance (see flyer)

Organisation holding the event: Solihull Faiths Forum

Contact Dave Pinwell 0121 704 7860, email: davep@solihull-sustain.org.uk

Name of event Tread Lightly on this Earth 2017

Date: Sun 19th Nov **Start time** 2.0pm **Finish time** 5.0pm

Location Birmingham Progressive Synagogue, [1 Roseland Way, Birmingham B15 1HD](#)

Accessibility Street parking locally, wheelchair access, disabled toilet

Description of event Footsteps annual event to meet other people faithfully caring for the environment, and share ideas about how we can work together for a low carbon future. Doors open at 1.0pm for exhibitions, displays and discussion. Optional tour of the synagogue at 1.0pm, if you would like to join please select the option when registering.

Main speakers and discussion commence at 2.0pm. Programme includes:-

Faiths inspiring action

- Judaism and the Environment – Rabbi Margaret Jacobi
- The Zero Carbon House – architect John Christopher
- Imam and faith community leader workshops – BAHU Trust

Working with Young People

- Small Footsteps Summer School at Fircroft College – video and presentation
- Birmingham and Black Country Wildlife Trust's award scheme

Future Footsteps Activities

- Peace Hub & Footsteps
- What Footsteps offers you
- Footsteps Supporters Group

Please register to help us plan for numbers

Organisation holding the event: Footsteps - Faiths for a Low Carbon Future (a project of BCF)

Contact Chris Martin (secretary) 0121 475 2088, Pete Doubtfire (Peace Hub) footstepsbcf@gmail.com

More Information and register at <http://peacehub.org.uk/footsteps/events/tread-lightly-on-this-earth-2017/>

Name of event Real People Honest Talk **Date** Sun 19th Nov **Start time** 1pm **Finish time** 3pm

Location of event: Abrahamic Foundation, 215 High St, Smethwick, B66 3AH

Accessibility - several stairs at entrance. including parking- on side roads. wheelchair access- to contact Ruth, as access only if event takes place on ground floor. disabled toilet on ground floor.

Description of event Near Neighbours has created Real People, Honest Talk to bring people together to talk about the tough issues around how we live together well.

Everyone is welcome to join to this safe space. The discussions will be about issues in local neighbourhoods that people would like to address.

There will be food served at the meetings, so please do join us for a snack and a chat!

Organisation holding the event- Near Neighbours with support from the Abrahamic Foundation Community Outreach Team

Contact name, phone, e-mail and website (if any) 07530 741 923, ruth.burgess@tctogether.org.uk

https://www.cuf.org.uk/nn-real-people-honest-talk?mc_cid=3e72f3bd76&mc_eid=f692b7f9f6

Name of event Film Night - **"The Imam and the Pastor"**

Date Mon 20th Nov

Start time 7.00pm

Finish time 9.00pm

Location of event, including postcode.

123 Bournbrook Road, Selly Park, Birmingham B29 7BY

Accessibility, including parking, wheelchair access, disabled toilet, loop system, etc.

Parking on Bournbrook Road, Raddlebarn Road, Elmdon Road, Selly Avenue.

Description of event.

Film "The Imam and the Pastor", narrated by Rageh Omar, followed by discussion.

A moving story, in Nigeria, of reconciliation between Imam Muhammad Ashafa and Pastor James Wuye, and the peace-making initiatives which have flowed from it.

Organisations holding the event : Universal Peace Federation and Women's Federation for World Peace.

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