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1 Community Relations Award 2013

The Community Relations Council invites nominations for the 2013 Community Relations Award of exceptional contribution in building a shared and reconciled society. The award is intended to help recognize and highlight some of the excellent groundbreaking and courageous peace-building work developed and delivered in Northern Ireland and the border areas. This work includes promoting trust and interdependence, challenging sectarianism, racism and violence, supporting inter-cultural relations within our increasingly diverse society, and promoting conflict transformation.

Nominations are invited. These should give some background information on the nominee and outline their contribution by reference to the following criteria:

- Evidence of the exceptional, sustained and long-term commitment of the nominee/s to community relations work.
- Evidence of the commitment of the nominee/s to community relations/intercultural work beyond single community across Northern Ireland and/or across the Border.
- Influence on thinking on peace-building and community relations issues
- Embodiment of Community Relations Council values: fairness and justice(Equity), the peaceful celebration of variety and difference (Diversity) and the importance of sharing, trust and inclusion (Interdependence).

Please note that the Award is given to an individual, or exceptionally two individuals acting in partnership, rather than to a group. Also, the Award will not be given posthumously.

Nominations can be made by completing a nomination form and returning to CRC by **4.30pm on Monday 22nd April**. No self nominations are permitted and staff and members of the Community Relations Council, and their family members, are ineligible although they may submit the nominations of others.

Nomination forms can be downloaded at www.nicrc.org.uk for further information contact CRC on 028 9022 7500 or e-mail info@nicrc.org.uk

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2 The Queen's Award for Voluntary Service – Nominations open!

The Queen's Award for Voluntary Service is the highest award given to volunteer groups across the UK for outstanding work carried out in their local communities. Since Her Majesty's Golden Jubilee, the Queen has awarded this prestigious national honour to hundreds of volunteering groups across the UK. Any group of 2 or more people undertaking local volunteering can be nominated for this award. The groups must be running for at least three years.

Sandra Adair, Director of Policy and Capacity, Volunteer Now said,
"The Queen's Award for Voluntary Service is the MBE for volunteer groups and recognises the commitment and contribution they make to their own communities. Volunteer Now is working with the Lord Lieutenants Association to promote the Award in Northern Ireland.
"This is an excellent opportunity to recognise voluntary groups who devote their time for the benefit of others - we often hear that organisations couldn't exist without them, so if you know of an outstanding group or organisation that you feel deserves recognition please nominate them"

For information on how to nominate a group go to <https://qavs.direct.gov.uk> or call 0207 271 6206

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3 Welfare Reform Workshop

CDHN are delighted to be hosting a workshop on Welfare Reform. Fiona McCausland will be providing background and leading discussion on;

- Background to welfare reform
- Practical changes that it will bring
- What it will mean for people and communities
- Key areas to challenge reform and how to do this

Date: **13 March 2013**

Time: 10.30 – 12.30

Venue: Farset, 466 Springfield Road, Belfast, BT12 7DW

To book a place contact Ruth Murphy on 028 3026 4606 or email: ruthmurphy@cdhn.org

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4 Student Placement with Derry City Council's Community Relations Department

(48 week placement)

Application forms and further details may be obtained online at www.derrycity.gov.uk/recruitment or from the Human Resources Section, Council Offices, 98 Strand Road, Derry, BT48 7NN (Tel 028 7136 5151 Ext 6642) and completed application forms must be returned to the Monitoring Officer at the above address **by Monday 11th March 2013** at 4.00 p.m.

Derry City Council is committed to equality of employment opportunity and welcomes applications from all suitably qualified applicants regardless of religious belief, political opinion, racial group, gender, age, marital status, sexual orientation and whether or not they possess a disability or have or do not have dependants. In accordance with its Equal Opportunities Policy, it particularly welcomes applications from the Protestant community. All applicants will be considered on merit

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5 'Can we help you promote your Social Enterprise?'

Social Enterprise NI is having a stand at this year's Social Enterprise Exchange Conference and Exhibition in Scotland on **Thursday 21 March** in Glasgow. 'The World's biggest Social Enterprise event'

We would like to promote as many Social Enterprises from Northern Ireland as possible and are willing to take a small quantity of leaflets/products from differing organisations.

If you are interested in sending some information on your Social Enterprise please email amanda@socialenterpriseni.org with your details **by Wednesday 6th March**.

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6 Study community youth work at the University of Ulster

University of Ulster offers community youth work programmes at the Magee campus (in Derry) and the Jordanstown campus (7 miles from Belfast).

The following part-time programmes (undergraduate) are now recruiting for September 2013 entry on the Magee Campus:

Certificate in Community Youth Studies (Magee): This one-year programme provides training at pre-vocational level. Attendance is one day each week. The course provides education and training for students in the concepts and methods of community youth work relevant to the needs of the young people from diverse backgrounds. The course has an excellent track record for providing further access into Higher Education and those interested in continuing to a recognised JNC professional qualification in youth work. Students study three compulsory modules including Engaging with Young People, Working with Young People and Reflective Practice and three optional modules. The Working with Young People module is a 'work-based learning' module in the students current employment (paid or unpaid).

Application deadline: 26th April 2013. For more information contact: Alastair McKinley (t: 028 71675410, e: a.Scott-McKinley@ulster.ac.uk)

Prospectus listing for more details: <http://study.ulster.ac.uk/prospectus/course/201314/10551>

BSc (Hons) Community Youth Work (Magee): This four-year NSETS-endorsed programme leads to a recognised JNC professional qualification in youth work. Attendance is one day each week. The programme integrates teaching and practice in its approach to learning. There are three work-based periods of assessed practice, over the four-year period. The modules of study reflect the need to develop knowledge and skills for Community Youth Work practice. The programme requires a commitment from applicants to participate actively in classroom activity and personal reflection. Teaching is interactive and informal with a range of assessment methods.

Application deadline: 26th April 2013. Contact: Alastair McKinley (t: 028 71675410, e: a.Scott-McKinley@ulster.ac.uk) or Breda Friel (t: 028 71675765, e: bn.friel@ulster.ac.uk)

Prospectus listing for more details: <http://study.ulster.ac.uk/prospectus/course/201314/10551>

If interested you should apply directly to the University of Ulster via our prospectus using the online application form (https://srssb.ulster.ac.uk/PROD/bwskalog.P_DispChoices), further information and details of the above programmes, can be found at www.ulster.ac.uk

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7 Early Alert – BSc Hons Community Development

Your community experience could lead to a University of Ulster degree.

ACCREDITATION FOR PRIOR EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING (APEL) 2013
Jordanstown: April 12 & 13 + 26 & 27

This intensive, fast-track course over two weekends provides an opportunity for people in the community/voluntary sector to convert experience into university credits with the prospect of entry into the second year of the part-time community development degree programme in September 2013.

To find out more contact Lifelong Learning: Lorraine Lavery-Bowen l.lavery-bowen@ulster.ac.uk 02890 366695

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8 Conflict Resolution & Mediation Skills plus Exploring Diversity

Intermediate Conflict Resolution and Mediation Skills Training

Dates: Tuesday 14th May 2013, Wednesday 15th May 2013, Tuesday 28th May 2013, Wednesday 29th May 2013, Tuesday 4th June 2013 and Wednesday 5th June 2013

Time: 10.00 am – 4.00 pm

Venue: Peace and Reconciliation Group, 16 Bishop Street, L'Derry, BT48 6PW

Cost: £350 per participant. Cost includes course materials.

Exploring Diversity – Facilitating Community Relations Work

Dates: 20th and 25th March, 11th 12th 17th 23rd 24th & 30th April and 1st , 2nd May

Time: 10.00 am – 4.00 pm

Venue: PRG Training Rooms 16 Bishop Street, Derry/ Londonderry BT4869W

Cost: £500 per participant. Costs include course materials.

For more information or to book your place please call: 028 7136 9206

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9 'Request for Tenders'

Applications are hereby invited from suitably qualified individuals or companies to tender **for the provision of a database application** as specified in the attached document to assist Gaslight Media Trust in the monitoring and evaluation of our activities in carrying out The Arc Project funded under Peace III Priority 1: Reconciling Communities Theme 1.2: Acknowledging and Dealing with the Past

Please see attached document for further information

N.B. A copy of the completed tender documents must be submitted in either hard or electronic copy to:

Mr Stephen Gargan, Gaslight Media Trust, 1 Westend Park, Derry, BT48 9JF

Tel: +44 (0) 28 71308980

e-mail : sgargan@gaslightproductions.net

To arrive no later than 12 noon Friday 8th March 2013.

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10 Calling all LGB&/T people 40+ - we want to hear from you

The following survey is targeted at LGB&/T people who are 40+ and living in Northern Ireland and has been developed by Rainbow Project in partnership with RQIA, the Public Health Agency, HereNI, Age NI, UNISON, and Independent Health & Social Care Providers NI. The information gathered will be completely confidential.

The aim of this survey is to explore the lived experience of LGB&/T people relating to their care, their perceptions of care and how they would like to see services being provided in the future. This information will support the development of guidelines for care providers to ensure they have the skills, knowledge and tools to meet the needs of older LGB&/T people in Northern Ireland.

This survey should take around 10-15 minutes to complete. If you are interested in taking part in a follow-up focus group please complete your details at the end when requested to do so.

You can access the survey at <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/VF6CK62> and hard copies will be available at the Belfast LGBT Centre.

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11 The Role of Heritage in Post-conflict Reconstruction - Seminar Invitation

The Role of Heritage in Post-conflict Reconstruction: Reflecting on the translation of research into policy statements and the implications

Tuesday 12 March 2013, NICVA

In this seminar, Marie Louise Stig Sorensen (University of Cambridge) will outline the role of heritage in post-conflict reconstruction efforts, and identify the challenges encountered when attempting to translate research into policy statements and recommendations.

The seminar will be held at NICVA, 61 Duncairn Gardens, Belfast, from 12:00-13:00, followed by a sandwich lunch.

Everyone is welcome, and the seminar is free. However, places must be booked by email info@ark.ac.uk, or by telephone 028 7167 5513.

This seminar is organised jointly by ARK and INCORE, University of Ulster.

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12 Latest offers from SALTO Youth

Please see attached document with all the latest offers from SALTO Youth to include: **raise your ability to work with disability, "Be cool - be sustainable!", Beyond Clashes, Training focused on dealing with Intercultural Clashes** and **POWER TO YOU(th)!** Plus many more

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13 Health Improvement Training Brochure

Please see attached for the latest training offers with the Health Improvement Department to include: **Mental Health First Aid, Coping with Stress in the Workplace** and **Being Breast Aware** plus loads more.

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14 Do you know or care for someone with dementia?

The Dementia Services Development Centre (DSDC) works to improve services for people with dementia their carers.

To help us we have formed a Carers Panel, which is a list of people, both family and friends, who care for someone with dementia. They are prepared, from time to time, to answer questions from DSDC in order to help our research.

If you are a carer please consider joining our panel. If you know a carer please bring it to their attention.

Please click here to join our Carers Panel <http://dementia.stir.ac.uk/node/2161>

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15 INTER-FAITH NORTH/WEST invites you to: A spiritual contribution to the Year of Culture 2013

A spiritual contribution to the Year of Culture 2013

Day of Contemplation - 21 March 2013

We are encouraging all faith communities to use this day – which falls at a time of year significant to many religions – for spiritual renewal

And if you can join us – Gather in The Playhouse, 12.30 (light refreshments) followed by a contemplative walk around the walls

077-5439-8300 / info@interfaith-nw.org.uk / www.interfaith-nw.org.uk

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16 Tiny Feet Patient Support Group Derry/Londonderry

Would you like to meet up with others who are experiencing fertility problems?

Tiny feet is a patient support group for anyone experiencing fertility problems. It will offer the chance to share experiences as well as providing local information about treatments etc. We will highlight important issues surrounding infertility services in the area and we will invite speakers on a range of fertility related subjects.

The group meets at 7.00pm on the **second Wednesday of every month** in the Social Services Conference Room, MDEC Building, Altnagelvin Hospital.

For more information please contact Sharon Davidson (I N UK Regional Organiser for Northern Ireland) on telephone number 028 9082 5677 or email: sharondavidson@infertilitynetworkuk.com

Tiny Feet is organised through Infertility Network UK (I N UK). For more information and membership please contact the I N UK Support Line: 08701 188088 or visit www.infertilitynetworkuk.com

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17 Community group looking for old desk jet printer models

If any organisation has any old models of the following printers that they are no longer using North West Lifelong Learning Ltd would love to reuse them – Can you help?

Canon	Canon Pixma	Brother
S 8200	IP 4200	MFC 210
S 8000	IP 5100	240
S 900	IP 5200	410
S 9000	IP 6600	620
		3200
		3340
		5440
		5800

Epson Stylus Photo 1270/1290

Anyone who may have a compatible printer that they do not use any more and that would fit any of the above cartridges we would much appreciate the use of it as we are a small charity and have 12 month's supply of these ink cartridges above and would put an old redundant printer to good use.

We will cover the cost of Postage of the printer.

Denise Brolly

North West Lifelong Learning Ltd, CERES House, 3 Shackleton Drive, Ballykelly, BT49 9PR

info@ceresgroupeu.com

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18 Guided walk in St Columbs Park with Community Horticulturist Gareth Austin

Since 1845 the Hill Estate has been better known as St Columbs Park, we've all been there...haven't we? No better time to explore the heritage of the trees and the landscaping within than during the City of Horticulture year.

Come join me on a tree focused tour of St Columbs park where we'll look at the tree mix, varieties and ages and learn more about the heritage of the landscape within the park.

This event will take place on **Sat 9th March**...from 11-12. *There is no cost for this event, but a donation to charity is welcome on the morning.*

For further information please contact Mobile (text or call) ROI 0877803991 UK 07506242774

Email qareth@qarethaustin.com

Submit an article - Email info@nwc.org to submit an article for inclusion in E-Bulletin.

When submitting an article for inclusion in this E-Bulletin, please conform to the following guidelines to ensure not only inclusion but clear understanding of the information you wish to convey:

Use only the Verdana or Arial Fonts, size 10 or 12

Use single-line spacing

As far as possible, do not use images or include attachments - information is best received when it is concise and straightforward.

Include reliable contact information: named contact, organisation, telephone number, email address &, where appropriate, web address

Please check that all details are correct when submitting as we will presume they are.

Please do not reply directly to this email, use one of the links above to feedback or to submit an article. For general enquiries, email info@nwc.org

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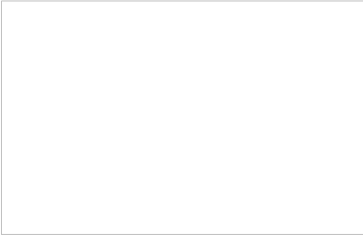
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NWCN is a membership organisation for Community & Voluntary groups in the North-West, - click [here](#) for a membership form for 2012-2013.

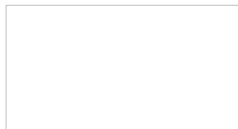
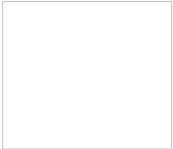
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