



Black & Minority Ethnic Project

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Working with diverse
women's group's
across Scotland.

Kingsway Women's Group
Glasgow



Documenting and celebrating the history of BME women in Scotland

SHE SETTLES IN

THE SHIELDS



UNTOLD STORIES OF MIGRANT WOMEN IN POLLOKSHIELDS



Launch event for She Settles in the Shields



“I often thought my story wasn’t important but now having shared it with you and being included in this wonderful book is just amazing!”

Project participant





Developing
innovative
projects to meet
the needs of
BME women

Dixon Women's Group
Model House Reminiscence Project



Lifelong learning through creative interaction

- Empowering women
- Increasing confidence and self esteem
- Promoting health and wellbeing
- Involving BME women with Arts and Cultural events/festivals in Scotland
- Learning new skills and artistic techniques





Lifelong learning through creative interaction



ASRA Women's Group, Glasgow

Creating a banner for 16 Days of
Action Violence Against Women



Working with
partners to organise
events for various
festivals

International Women's Day
Book Week Scotland
Black History Month
Scottish Refugee Festival
Scottish Mental Health Film Festival
16 Days of Action
World Book Night
Aye Write



“I cant believe it’s my first time visiting this place (St Mungos Museum). I’ve been in Glasgow for almost 20 years. I loved all the objects and the atmosphere was buzzing. Thank you Women’s Library for organizing this trip!”

Project participant

Connecting BME women to the Arts & Cultural Sector





Raising Awareness of Women's History in Britain



International Women's Groups, Glasgow
Women's History Timeline Workshop



Consultancy:

- Scottish advisory panel for BAME women
- Supporting diverse women's groups with governance, developing innovative projects and funding



Book Week Scotland Focus Group

Advising and assisting external organization to create more diverse and inclusive services



Collect:if

Network of Women of Colour Creatives in Scotland

“Until today, I hadn’t
seen so many BME
women creatives in
one room together in
Scotland!”

Collect:if member





Collect:if Herland



A landmark evening where Women of Colour took to the stage, called the shots and showcased some of the best in performance, music, and food, blended with the welcoming, uplifting Herland flavour.





Creative Writing for Muslim Women





“Not what I expected in a good way. Everyone was so welcoming and it was great to work with local Muslim writers! The workshops has given me an insight into different types of writing and I will definitely be coming back for more!”

Workshop participant



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HER SPIRIT SOARED

Her Spirit Soared

Theatre performance of women
moving on from abuse



“I never imagined I would ever be on stage. This play has to be the best thing I have achieved in my life! I truly wonderful experience working with such a fabulous team”

Participant



Her Spirit Soared

Committed to Equality, Diversity and Inclusion



“I am glad I took part. I wanted people to understand my feelings when I felt at my lowest. At first I thought I wouldn't be able to perform on stage as it would bring back bad memories, however I was supported well by all the women involved”

Participant





National projects

First Waves: Arts project exploring the Race Relations Act in the UK

