



DDE Newsletter No. 42

Articles ...

Stella Dadzie: 'Women resisted slavery at every stage of the journey'. The feminist writer on racism in her London childhood, her new book about female slaves, and the part Ghana played in shaping her identity. [Read more ...](#)

Israel issues tenders for 2,500 new settler homes: Watchdog Peace Now said PM Netanyahu announces settler homes in occupied West Bank and East Jerusalem as he faces elections in March. [Read more ...](#)

Pink seesaws across US-Mexico border named Design of the Year 2020. Creators say they hope the work encourages people to build bridges between communities. [Read more ...](#)

Uganda accuses US of 'subverting' presidential election. US Ambassador Natalie E Brown was stopped from visiting Bobi Wine who is effectively under house arrest. [Read more ...](#)

The story of the Zong slave ship: a mass murder masquerading as an insurance claim. A 1783 case exposed how the law facilitated the slave trade – and increased momentum for the abolitionist movement. [Read more ...](#)

'People are hungry': why Tunisia's youth are taking to the streets. Unemployment – especially among the young – falling living standards and lockdowns have sparked riots across the country. [Read more ...](#)

Local news ...

Acclaimed poet calls for stories of remarkable women in Exeter. [Read more ...](#)

Statue of fossil hunter Mary Anning to be erected after campaign. Crowdfunder led by schoolgirl raises £70,000 for sculpture of pioneering palaeontologist in Lyme Regis, Dorset. [Read more ...](#)

Historic Exeter: Explosive riots which saw mob ransack every bakery in Exeter. The angry mob ran amok across the city and were only stopped when soldiers halted their path of destruction. [Read more ...](#)

Things to do ...

15th to 31st January – Phoenix Virtual Cinema with Studio 74 - *MLK/FBI* the first film to uncover the extent of the FBI's surveillance and harassment of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Directed by Sam Pollard. [Details ...](#)

Sign up for Star Count 2021. Research shows that light pollution is leaving fewer stars than ever visible to the naked eye – need to track how light levels are changing. [Details ...](#)

Videos and podcasts ...

Classical Music Concert - Joel Munday (violin) and Thomas Kelly (piano) (starts at 8:50 minutes in).

[Watch and Listen ...](#)

In Search of My Roots - Spanish director Paula Palacios discovers the largely untold story of Christian Spaniards of Muslim origin, the Moriscos. [Watch ...](#)

Campaigns ...

World Says No to War on Yemen – Global Online Rally Monday 25th January 7pm. [Register ...](#)

From Fairtrade Foundation – 5 Ways to choose the world you want in 2021. [Read more ...](#)

Stop the UK exporting plastic waste to poorer countries. [Petition ...](#)

Support for farmers in India; Millions of farmers and farmworkers in India are protesting against three bills affecting the agricultural sector and demanding a fair Minimum Support Price guaranteed by the Indian government for their crops. [Petition ...](#)

Claps don't pay the bills - give all NHS workers a 15% pay rise. [Petition ...](#)

Britain is breaking its promise of better bee protections by allowing a bee-killing poison banned in the EU to be used on our fields. [Petition ...](#)

Climate and Ecological Emergency Bill prepared a team of scientists, academics, lawyers and campaigners working together—and guided by current science—to call for urgent, far-reaching and necessary actions from the UK Government to tackle the climate and ecological emergency. [Read more ...](#)

The Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons (TPNW) has been ratified by the required 50 states and will now enter into force. The treaty will make it illegal under international law to develop, test, produce, manufacture, acquire, possess, stockpile, transfer, use or threaten to use nuclear weapons. [Petition ...](#)

Poem ...

They say the world is closed today. [Read ...](#)

Book ...

Spy Princess: The Life of Noor Inayat Khan by Shrabani Basu. [Details ...](#)

Noor Inayat Khan was killed in France while working as a British spy in second world war. [Read more ...](#)