



DDE Newsletter No. 31

Articles ...

'No one bothered': Afghan mother waits for son held in Guantanamo. Painful wait for mother as life for one of the last Afghans in the detention facility is defined by hunger strikes, force feedings and isolation. [Read more ...](#)

Chocolate industry slammed for failure to crack down on child labour. Children as young as five still exposed to hazardous work in countries including Ghana and Ivory Coast. [Read more ...](#)

The Nepalese play letting the crowd reimagine the ending – and their lives. Familiar issues of discrimination and child marriage are being taken to the stage through interactive theatre in remote villages. [Read more ...](#)

The government has no intention of taking racism seriously – and it is using MPs of colour to avoid criticism. A debate in the House of Commons about Critical Race Theory has again exposed the Conservative Party's agenda of weaponising racism against Britain's ethnic minority population. [Read more ...](#)

"Our treasured lives": the Windrush generation settles in Darlington. For Jacob Tucker, there was no going back. He sold his shoemaker's business in Kingston, Jamaica, and with the proceeds bought a ticket to the UK. He said farewell to his wife and three young children and set sail for a better life. [Read more ...](#)

Local news ...

Bakery breathes new life into empty Exeter city centre shop. The Sidwell Street Bakehouse is moving into what was Halford's in Sidwell Street. [Read more ...](#)

Nahem Shoa: Racism, art, and Britain. Shoa is known for his skilled oil paintings, and for having increased the number of portraits of Black and mixed-race British people on display in British museums and is a member of RAMM's Contemporary Arts Panel. [Read and listen ...](#)

Tommy Gillard's film *Shuttlecock*, commissioned in Exeter, wins big at London Film Festival. [Read more ...](#)

Exeter Cathedral and St Nicholas Priory (off Fore Street), both key sites in our city's Christian worship, witness and history, have been awarded funding recently to help through the pandemic. [Read more ...](#) [and ...](#)

Videos and podcasts ...

In the Shadow of Mary Seacole - David Harewood follows the creation of a major new statue of Mary Seacole. [Watch ...](#)

Scotland Slavery and Statues - Documentary following the four-year debate over how Henry Dundas should be remembered on the inscription of the Melville Monument in Edinburgh with Professor Geoff Palmer. [Watch ...](#)

Artist Joy Gregory speaks to RAMM audiences about her commission for next year's exhibition 'In Plain Sight: Transatlantic Slavery and Devon'. [Watch ...](#)

Things to do ...

Photography competition to find Exeter's favourite trees. The closing date for entries is Friday 20 November. [Details ...](#)

Have Your Passport Ready is a virtual experience that puts the audience directly in the world of the UK's hostile environment. This short film-meets-video game is commissioned by [Knaïve Theatre](#). [Details ...](#)
Saturday 24th October 7pm to 10pm – Post show discussion [Details ...](#)

Friday 27th November 7pm to 8pm: Agile Rabbit - *Why is Climate Change so hard?* This lively discussion will look at communicating science, the psychology behind our actions, and the politics of Climate Science. [Details ...](#)

Campaigns ...

Update: Deporting an Autistic Black Man Exposes This Government's Hypocrisy On Racism *Osime asked his mum: "Which bus would I have to catch back from Jamaica to visit your home in Dudley?"*
[Read more ...](#)

Do not withdraw from Istanbul Convention to Protect Women. [Petition ...](#)

Belly's family have now called for an immediate public inquiry to be established to determine the facts surrounding the tragic death of Belly Mujinga. [Petition ...](#)

Poem ...

I want to go renewable so my streets are less canoeable: 5 poems of hope by Matt Harvey.
[Watch and listen ...](#)