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Social event 21/11/2023

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NETWORK



- Peer Network
  - for Academic and Professional Staff,
  - Inclusive of Permanent, Contract, and Sessional Staff
  - Focused on BAME and/or International Identity
- Objectives
  - Create a Supportive Peer Community
  - Foster Collaboration and Understanding
  - Contribute to a Diverse and Inclusive Environment

# Who are we?

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Programmer/Analyst, Digital and Information Services



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Vision and Strategies

- The 2030 University Vision
  - a global university
  - a supportive organizational culture that embraces equality, diversity, and inclusion.
  
- To put this into action, our organization has implemented several initiatives:
  - International Buddy Scheme
  - Committee Participation
  - Social and Cultural Activities
  - Progression Workshops and Mentorship

# Socio-cultural activities

## iRise Mid-Autumn Festival



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### LC-iRISE Social & Welcome Event

**Mooncake**

**Music**

**Magic**

**Mid-Autumn Festival Celebration**

Friday 29 September  
14:00 - 16:30  
The Auditorium  
McClay Library

**BOOK NOW**  
GO.QUB.AC.UK/ZHONGQIU23

QR code

## Black History Month at Queen's 2023



**iRise**

# BLACK HISTORY month

**OCTOBER 2023**

**Black History Month Launch**  
Microsoft Teams  
3rd October, 12:45pm

**Public Talk & Book Launch**  
*DIE STANDING* with Elmer Dixon, Black Panther and Consultant  
Senate Room, Lanyon Building  
10th October, 5:30pm

**Closing Celebration**  
Details To Be Confirmed

**Student-Organised Roundtable**  
The Graduate School  
18th October, 5:30pm

**Belfast Film Premiere:**  
**ON RESISTANCE STREET**  
Queen's Film Theatre  
19th October, 6:15pm

Read the programme here: 

 The African-Caribbean Society has organised a series of student-led events to celebrate Black History Month.. Visit their Instagram (@aqub\_acs) or scan the QR code to learn more! 

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iRISE Social Gathering: Drinks, Canapés, and Engaging Conversations, 21 Nov

# Future social-cultural events



Chinese New Year



Eid al-Fitr, Sugar  
festival

- Volunteers and Ideas for New Cultural Events
  - Seeking Energetic Volunteers
  - Bringing Diversity to Campus Events
  - Enriching Campus Life Together

# Progression Workshops and Mentorship



Keep the date: 16 Jan,  
workshop



Mentorship  
Opportunities



Calling for Volunteer  
Mentors



Empowering Academic  
Advancement

# Well-being Monitoring Survey

Prioritizing Staff  
Well-being

Your Voice  
Matters

Participate in the  
design of our  
Well-being Survey



# New committee members

- Be a Change Maker
- Volunteer for Committees
- Shaping the Future Together
- Secretary and event organizer
- By Wednesday 31 Nov.
  - Gulseli Baysu, [g.baysu@qub.ac.uk](mailto:g.baysu@qub.ac.uk)
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# iRISE membership



Join the iRISE Community



Connect, Learn, Grow



Your Platform for Inclusivity and Support



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