



KEYNOTE SPEAKER:

The Rt Hon The Lord Bird MBE
Founder of The Big Issue

PROUD PLACES: RECONNECTING YOUNG LIVES

Wednesday 22 March 2023, 9.30 - 17.00 | Society of Antiquaries, Burlington House, London, W1J 0BE

London is a vast metropolis with little social cohesion. Young people often feel alienated from developments in their areas. Schooling is uneven and many face barriers in their career progression. Proud Places is a pioneering youth engagement programme that offers new and inspiring opportunities for children at risk across London. It encourages young people to take responsibility for where they live and it focuses on the communities which need the most help.

Priority groups are young people in pupil referral units, alternative provisions or with challenging backgrounds. Proud Places offers a chance to get up close to heritage projects, meet craftspeople and discuss themes related to their local area. Over two years the programme has had transformative impact: new confidence and curiosity, better engagement with learning, bigger aspirations and new career paths. This conference is an opportunity to share learnings with the youth sector as well as the arts/heritage sector and encourage other organisations to commit to removing barriers to engagement.

For further information and to book a place visit:
heritageoflondon.org/conference

ANNUAL LONDON CONFERENCE

Heritage of London Trust's conference has been held every year since 1983 and is a unique occasion when all London's local authorities are invited. Morning papers will be on the theme of early intervention and positive opportunities; later morning young people themselves will present, and in the afternoon we will explore the challenges and benefits of working with different groups, and impact measurement.

Dr Nicola Stacey, Director, Heritage of London Trust
Proud Places: vision and delivery

Louise Shorter, Member of the Youth Justice Board for England & Wales
Child First - Building a Pro-Social Identity in Young People

Lib Peck, Director, Mayor's Violence Reduction Unit
The importance of early intervention: The VRU's work to create positive opportunities

John Phillips, Trustee, The Jones Day Foundation
Jones Day and social inclusion: Proud Places and Proud Prospects

Ola Ugwu, Head of Public and Youth Engagement,
Bingham Centre for the Rule of Law
Teaching young people to become active citizens

St Joseph's College, Croydon, Y10 students
Proud Prospects: Finding our voices

Ifé Davies, Proud Places Project Officer
'Begin where you are': Proud Places and the local community

Destine Royce Pinzi, Proud Places young ambassador
Taking the lead: my experience as a Proud Places ambassador

Bissan Nasser, Y11 student, Southfields Academy
My London: fresh eyes on the city

Ben Owen, Y12 student, London Academy of Excellence
London's lost history: community then and now

Ambrose Blatchford, London Stone Conservation
Stonemasonry: introduction to young people

Victor Guerro, Art Lead, Hillyfields Primary Schools
Why schools need Proud Places

Fox White, Proud Places Project Officer
What we do and how we know: the challenges and opportunities of Impact Measurement

Sally Leonard, Malden Oaks Alternative Provision Key Stage 3 teacher
A step outside: The importance for APs & PRUs learning in different environments

Maryam Ansari, Refugee Youth Worker, NC Gateway
Making connections for new young citizens

Dr Emma Filtner, Senior Lecturer in Creative Writing, Brunel University
Poet for Places: A creative opportunity for young Londoners