



Reach Society

Building Connections

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Welcome: Dear Friends/Supporters, Here's our newsletter which highlights some of our key activities in 2018. Your contributions in discussions and engagement in some of our events are truly appreciated; we could not have done so much without your support.



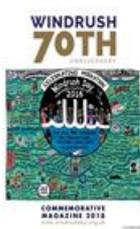
About Reach Society: Founded by a group of professional Black men in 2010. Our core purpose is *to encourage, motivate and inspire our boys and young men* to own the development of their potential and make viable

transitions into adult life. The picture from our 2018 Careers Conference shows one of our role models Mr Demani Jules-Carbon (on the right), recipient of the UCFB & Reach Society Scholarship, who graduated earlier this year. A report about the recent Careers Conference can be found here, just click the link: http://www.reachsociety.com/pageview.php?page=newsitem&displaysitem_id=43

Celebrating 70th Anniversary of Windrush Pioneers:

Throughout 2018 Reach Society has been celebrating the successes of the 'Modern Black Community' to mark the 70th year of those pioneers who arrived on the HMS Windrush in June 1948. We hosted a series of network conversations which included:

- Presentation led by **Mr Arthur Torrington CBE**, co-founder of **Windrush Foundation** with contribution from WWII Veteran, Allan Wilmot;
- **Dr Leroy Logan MBE**, a former Met Police superintendent who retired in 2013 after 30 years' service, led on the criminal justice system.
- **Creation for liberation: can art change culture and society?** An exploration of the role of art in bringing about political change, held at Brunel University with some undergraduates.
- **The Commonwealth and what it means to be British**, this topic was discussed at the Ministry of Justice office.



The Society also contributed to the Commemorative Magazine, see the article on page 30 & 31. Click: [here](#)

Further celebrations included our **Annual Recognition Awards/Fundraising Dinner** which was held on 21 Oct. More than 260 guests attended. Visit our website to view the report and photos: http://www.reachsociety.com/pageview.php?page=newsitem&displaysitem_id=46

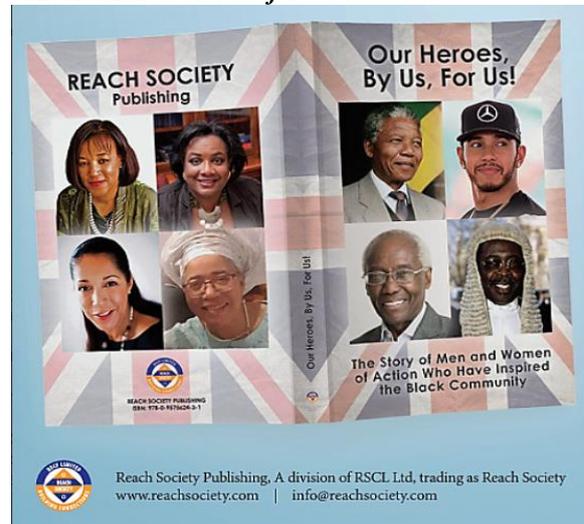


L: Jordan Barrett, winner of the 2nd Grace Foods & Reach Society Scholarship at the Awards Dinner, with

Robert Walker, Grace Foods, commercial manager. **R:** Guests enjoying their meals and having an enjoyable time at the same event.

Reach Society's Network Conversations: On the last Friday of every month (with the exception of August and December) professional Black men meet to discuss issues that affect our community; with the aim of finding solutions and building amity. These conversations are open to any professional individual and for more info including venue location click: <http://www.reachsociety.com/pageview.php?page=events> or contact Dr Donald Palmer: db_palmer@yahoo.co.uk

The next network conversation will focus on the themes we have so far covered in marking this year's Platinum anniversary of the 'Modern Black Community'. The most recent publication by Reach Society perhaps sums up the journey so far: **Our Heroes, By Us For Us!** And it forms the backdrop to the latest network conversation: *look how far we have come...*



To see a short review of the new book please click on the link: http://www.reachsociety.com/pageview.php?ecommerce_stockcode=R0004&page=products

FUTURE EVENT: The 8th Careers Conference 2019! We are pleased to announce that the next annual **FREE** Careers Conference will take place on **9th April 2019**, at the **Royal National Hotel**, London. This will again feature a cohort of black professionals from various careers, plus themed workshops, exhibitors from various sectors and high value universities. See our website for more details. **To register send your name to:** info@reachsociety.com



We would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their continued help and support.