



Reach Society

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Patrons: Lord Herman Ouseley & Professor Trevor Williams

Recognition Awards Dinner

In October 2012, around 100 guests turned out from the Black community to honour a cohort of professional men and women from a range of disciplines. Everyone was proud to witness the many Awards which were presented to them in recognition of their extraordinary contributions to Reach Society and our young people.

Two further high points of this enjoyable evening were the naming of Professor Trevor Williams, University of Derby, & Chief Economist, Lloyds Bank Wholesale Markets, as the newest patron for Reach Society; and the presentation by Jeremy Adam, Lloyds Banking Group, of the Community Fund winner's certificate for London southwest, to Reach Society.

Several professionals were honoured with Supporter of Reach Society Awards for their unselfish work on 11 April 2012 for reaching back to encourage, motivate and inspire some 400 young people, and their parents, at the Careers Conference, held at HMS President (the building).

Two exceptional professionals, Grantley Yearwood and Robert Neil, were honoured with Fellows of Reach Society Awards for their sustained meritorious contributions to Reach Society. In fact Robert was one of the co-founders of the Society, and Grantley was a member of the management committee, where he served as the first programme director for the outreach work with young people.

Lord Herman Ouseley was honoured with a Champion of Reach Society Award, the highest honour possible, for his inspirational backing of the work of the Society as its first patron.

The list of professionals honoured is given below; and they shall be known as the Professional Class of 2012.

We should also note that a cohort of organisations and firms was also honoured with Corporate Supporters of Reach Society Awards for their collaboration with the Society; and chief among them were the Royal Navy and Welbeck FE College.

This short report would not be complete without a heartfelt thank you to the master of ceremony Conrad Peters, for his extra-ordinary work to make the evening both enjoyable and memorable.

We also express our deepest thanks to George Ruddock, editor & MD, The Voice newspaper; Ms Diane Edwards, general manager, J Wray & Nephew UK; and Dr Patrick Marshall, assistant dean, KSS Deanery, University of London for presenting the recognition awards.

Dr Dwain A Neil, Chairman, Reach Society



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Professional Class of 2012

Below are the professionals from the community who gave time to encourage, motivate and inspire our young people; we thank them all for reaching back.

Name	Profession
Lord Herman Ouseley	Past Chairman, Commission for Racial Equality
Grantley Yearwood Rolston Dennis	British Airways, Engineering & Aviation Surveyor, Asset Management
Kelvin Forrester Andre Flemmings	Qualified Accountant & IT Business Owner Rare Recruitment, Communication Manager
Dr Keith Davidson Lee Xavier	Headteacher & Director of Education, Secondary Education Partner, Bevan Solicitors
Dr Samson Agbo Dr Ade Damola	Medical Sector - Merlin Medical Sector - NHS Hospital, East London
Dr Rob Berkeley Jules Mason	Runnymede Trust, Social Engagement of Policy Makers Merlin, Social Engagement of Policy Makers
Edwin Effa Getnet Hailu	Voice Newspaper, Sr Business Executive Voice Newspaper, Business Executive
Matthew Ubogagu Mahia-John Mahiaini	Financial Services Sector Lloyds Banking Group, Investments
Dr Koye Balogun Dr John Ndikum	Health Protection Agency, Physical Sciences & Bio-Technology NHS Hospital, East London
Leon A Neil Michael Peters	Human Resources, Public Sector Human Resources, Private Sector
Selvin Brown Leroy Logan	Civil Service, DCLG Metropolitan Police Service & Black Police Association
Tony Tiyou Liam Daniels Joel Oswald Eric Stirling	Engineer Advisor, Drug & Substance Misuse Financial Sector Regulation Civil Servant
Rob Neil Joseph Ogbonna Dr Siobhan Clarke	Civil Servant, Ministry of Justice University Lecturer NHS Hospital, East London
Micky Norford Chris Eade Ms Gil Niblock	Royal Navy Royal Navy Royal Navy Reserves