

Leeds Refugee Week 2023

'COMPASSION'

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Event	Location, Date and Time	Description	Event Coordinators	Complete
Burmantofts Community Festival and Cultural Day, Leeds Refugee Forum	Saturday 17 June, 12noon-4.00pm, Oxton Fields, off Haselwood Drive, Leeds, LS9	The programme contained wonderfully traditional folk dance and music from different refugee communities. Display collection of cultural and heritage items by different communities, belly dancing, traditional costume fashion show, and national food and we offered stands and tables to the agencies for displaying and distributing leaflets and posters.	Cultural day sub-committee, Ali Mahgoub 01132449600 or email: ali.mahgoub@leedsrefugeeforum.org.uk	√
Summer Picnic STAR Group celebrating Refugee Week	Sunday 18 June, 2 pm at St. George's Fields, LS2 9EN	Bring along picnic food (Not essential) and we will have music, games and lots of fun in the sun	For more information contact LRF office on 01132449600 or email staraleeds@gmail.com at 07563477133	√
Seeing Asylum Exhibition' Leeds Church Institute	Monday 19th June 2023 to Saturday 24th June 2023, Location, Leeds Minster 2-6 Kirkgate, Leeds, West Yorkshire, LS2 7DJ	The exhibitions highlight the true hidden stories of the women who have experienced their human rights being opposed, their possessions taken away from them and the actions they took to protest inhumane practices within the Immigration Removal Centre (IRC).	For more information email: justice@leedschurchinstitute.org	√
Wellbeing and Adapting to Changes session Persian Women Group	Monday 19 June, 12 noon - 1.30 noon, at One Community Centre, Cromwell Street, LS9 7SG	Wellbeing sessions for the Irian women group, places are limited.	For more information contact Kathy Saemian at kathysaemian@yahoo.co.uk	√

Men's Well-being Group celebrating refugee week	Monday 19 June, 1.30 pm - 3.30 pm, at One Community Centre, Cromwell Street, LS9 7SG	LRF men's well-being group is celebrating their first Refugee Week. This year's theme is Compassion, It's an opportunity for men and their families, friends and colleagues to talk and share the challenges they are facing as a refugee and Asylum seekers. It's a perfect time to share experiences and appreciation in an informal setting. Refreshments, traditional music and the biggest welcome are provided. FREE and anyone interested welcome	For more information contact Ranya Abdulateef at Ranya.abdulateef@leedsrefugeeforum.org.uk mobile: 07963520692	√
Meeting Point, open gathering	Monday 19 June, 2.30 pm-4.30 pm. Venue: Armley Christ Church, Armley Ridge Road, Armley, LS12 3LE	Meeting Point will host a party to celebrate refugees in Leeds, with entertainment programmes for families and children. All agencies, refugees and asylum seekers are welcome.	Emma Crossley, Tel: 0113 2796 700 / 07984 739 135	√
The Leeds City of Sanctuary Re-launch' Leeds Group	Monday 19th June from 5 pm -7 pm at Leeds Play House	All are welcome and there will be food, music, speeches and performances	For more information please email Mary Brandon on mary@asylumatters.org	√
Mega Conversation Club' Leeds Ply House / Refugee Council	Tuesday 20th June from 11 am - 1 pm. 2nd Floor, Leeds Playhouse, LS2 7up	Join us for a celebration of Refugee Week with games, crafts and coffee. If you are able to, we would love you to bring a dish to share with friends!	For more information please contact Lily Craig on lily.craig@leedsplayhouse.org.uk or Amy McMillan Email:amy.mcmillan@refugeecouncil.org.uk , Mobile: 07876144304	√
Garden of Sanctuary: With a Flourish Art Installation' Mafwa Theatre	Tuesday 20th June at 16:00-18:00 at Roxby Close, Lindsey Rd, Leeds LS9 7LR	It is a community gardening project celebrating their achievements. The full programme will be provided later. Bus tickets provided	For more information please contact Tamsin on 07593299298	√
Women's Celebration event , Women's Health Matters	Tuesday 20 June, 10.30 am-12.30 pm. Venue: One Community Centre, Cromwell Street, Leeds, LS9 7SG	The Rainbow Hearts group is facilitated by Women's Health Matters for asylum seeking women. Group members will gather together to share food and music from different countries.	For more information please contact Hannah West on 07956 358 095	√

Visit Leeds University Library Galleries' LASSN / University of Leeds	Open Tuesday 20 June to Saturday 24 from 10 am - 5 pm, Leeds University Library Galleries	See art made by LASSN's Tea & Talk Group on display in The Stanley & Audrey Burton Gallery, and take a look around the rest of the Gallery and our museum, Treasures of the Brotherton. Paper and pencils are available for you to do some drawing in the Galleries. FREE	For more information please contact Mehjabeen Hussein Rahim on 0113 373 1759 / 07462818025	✓
Leeds Knowledge Exchange' People's Voice Media / LASSN	Wednesday 21st June 12 pm - 3 pm at St George's Conference Centre 60 Great George St Leeds LS1 3DL	The event aims to open up a dialogue between different local people and relevant organisations about the heritage of migration in their area, how that relates to their current thinking and perceptions and what can be done to better understand, learn from and preserve this type of heritage in the future.	For more information Contact Mahshid Alavi on 07871915069	✓
Ukrainian Cultural Celebration' Leeds Refugee Forum Group	Wednesday 21st June 6 pm - 8 pm at One Community Centre, LS9 7SG	LRF celebrates our new refugee members from the Ukrainian Community showcasing their traditional Ukrainian Costumes, Culture, Music and Food. The event is open to members only. You can bring your own food to share. Cookie decorations competitions and games are available for children and parents.	For more information please contact Oksana Danyliuk on oksana.danyliuk@leedsrefugeeforum.org.uk	✓
Kuluhenna Drama Picnic' Mafwa Theatre	Thursday 22nd June at 11:00-13:00 at Roxby Close, Lindsey Rd, Leeds LS9 7LR	To celebrate Mafwa Theatre's Women's group Kuluhenna Drama; all welcome. We invite you to bring food for yourselves and to share in Lincoln Green's beautiful new garden. Bus tickets provided	For more information please contact Tamsin on 07593299298	✓
Refugee Week performance 'Opera North'	Thursday 22nd June 7.30pm, Howard Assembly Room, 34-40 New Briggate, Leeds LS1 6NU	Opera North will hold our Refugee Week session, We are so excited for you to perform as part of this event. Schedule: 4.45pm arrive, 5.00pm relaxation exercises and rehearsal, 5.45pm sound check - practice performing on stage with a microphone , 6.00pm relax backstage with some tasty snacks and decide what order you will perform in, 7.30pm event starts – perform your poem to an audience! and 7.45pm onwards – join the audience and enjoy the rest of the event	For more information contact Zoe Scott FitzGibbon at 07377 509405 0113 213 5649 or email: Zoe.ScottFitzGibbon@operanorth.co.uk	✓

Refugee Forum Women Wellbeing Group celebration Refugee Week	Thursday 22nd June 10 am - 12.30 pm, at One Community Centre, LS9 7SG	Celebrating women mental health and wellbeing from the refugee community. There will be traditional music, dancing and light refreshments. RThis is an all women event please register your interest.	For more information contact Ranya Abdulateef at Ranya.abdulateef@leedsrefugeeforum.org. uk mobile: 07963520692	✓
Refugee World Cup 2023, (RCOs, Agencies and Organisations)	Saturday 24 June, 10 am-4.00 pm. Venue: Trinity Academy, Tore Road, Leeds, LS9 7QL	Football tournaments are a great way of bringing together RCOs, local communities and agencies football teams in a fun footballing environment. Free to play, 7-a-side teams, refreshments provided. All accompanied by entertainment programmes for families and children.	Ali Mahgoub, Tel: 0113 244 9600 / 07733 171 290, Khair Yacob: 07453927515, David Skivington: 07564 267065	✓