Would you like to celebrate your community's



Volunteers from the Happiness and Joy at Mid-Autumn Moon Festival project

This month we are holding the fifth in our series of events aimed at not-for-profit organisations across the North West who want to celebrate and explore Black and Minority Ethnic (BAME), refugee or migrant heritage.

If you are looking for ideas or inspiration to run a project, come along and talk to the friendly HLF North West team.

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Whatever the topic – be it the heritage of Chinese festivals, looking back at Manchester’s connection to West African textiles or exploring the lasting legacy of the Windrush generation – these are just some of the cultures our funding has helped to explore and we are looking for more groups to tell their stories.

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Upcoming funding events

- **15 March 2017: 1pm-4pm:** Gallery Oldham. Drop-in sessions. No need to book, just pop along with your ideas and meet HLF staff

Find out more

As part of our BAME heritage campaign, we are publishing a series of blogs by individuals reflecting on their experience of applying to HLF and sharing stories of the heritage they explored.

This month, we feature a blog from Alfred Chung of the Wai Yin Society, who reflects on the experience of running his intergenerational oral history and research project Happiness and Joy at the Mid-Autumn Moon Festival, and how young and older participants can best work together to uncover the stories of the past.

Support for applicants

HLF recently awarded initial support to Coming in from the Cold: Raising the profile of BME communities.

The project aims to expand support to heritage projects led by BME community groups and to increase diversity in the archival records in the Greater Manchester region. For details please contact Jacqueline Ould, Co-Director of Ahmed Iqbal Ullah Race Relations Resource Centre, via tel: 0161 275 2910 or via email.



Alfred Chung

How can young people help older generations reveal the stories of our past?