

Spring Newsletter

There is something in the air!

Spring has sprung, the days are longer and lighter, and we couldn't be happier to share our newsletter. With so many things to celebrate at the Trust, our work is truly influencing social change for a fairer and safer society for all.

For the Diary... Our **Lunch and Learn Sessions**



Lunch and Learn



Free, Public Webinar Sessions in 2024

June 12th	Autism and Neurodiversity in the Workplace 1-2pm with Loren Snow
July 2nd	Queer Histories, Queer Futures 1-2pm with Joni
October 24th	Menopause Awareness 1-2pm with Haley White
November 13th	Transgender Awareness 1-2pm with Joni
December 9th	Disability Awareness 12-1pm with Samatha Renke

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To book your place, please email
info@diversitytrust.org.uk

TRANSEARCH
EXECUTIVE SEARCH & LEADERSHIP CONSULTING

The new season brings with it new opportunities to learn!

With thanks to our partners at [Transearch](https://www.transearch.co.uk), who are championing our sessions. We will offer practical tools and tips from expert trainers with professional, as well as personal, lived experience in the specific areas of focus.

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Spotlight on... Lottery Funded Expansion

We are thrilled to share that we have been awarded £450,000, over 5-years, from the National Lottery Community Fund for our LGBTQ+ Voice and Influence project.

This will allow us to deliver a series of initiatives reflecting the needs of LGBTQ+ communities in the South and West of England 🏳️💚

“We’re so grateful for this opportunity to expand our work. During a time when the LGBTQ+ community, especially our Trans & Non-Binary communities, are being frequently ostracised by inflammatory rhetoric in public discourse and in the media, this funding and faith in our organisation is both powerful and humbling.” – Mark Greenburgh, Chair of the Diversity Trust

Read more here: <https://wp.me/p9WGKc-1lj>



JOIN OUR TEAM!

VOICE AND
REPRESENTATION
COORDINATOR

&

VOLUNTEER
COORDINATOR



We have **two** great new job opportunities for people to join our LGBTQ+ staff team.

For more information go to
<https://www.diversitytrust.org.uk/work-with-us/>

What better way to celebrate our National Lottery funding today than to announce that we are growing our team!

We’re delighted be hiring for two to new roles, a Voice and Representation Coordinator and a Volunteer Coordinator!

For more information on how to apply see: <https://www.diversitytrust.org.uk/work-with-us/>

We welcome applications from minoritised and marginalised communities.

Spotlight on... **Our latest blog post**

Phoenix Song: a project designed by and for Trans and Non-Binary people living in the South West of England

PHOENIX SONG PROJECT



Voicework Group

For trans and nonbinary people

Pay as you can, travel bursary available

10 weekly sessions Thursday afternoons: 21/03, 28/03, 04/04, 11/04, 18/04, 25/04, 02/05, 09/05, 23/05, 30/05, and 06/06/2024.

14.30-16.30 (2.30-4.30pm)
In central Bristol

Supported by:



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or get in touch
to join us!

Phoenix Song is a project designed by and for Trans and Non-Binary people living in the South West of England. The project, established in late 2019, provides a therapeutic community space to support the exploration of voice as a Trans or Non-Binary person.

The group is supported by three committee members, all from the Trans and Non-Binary community. Activities in the group include a regular choir, an annual music therapy voice work group, song writing and attendance at LGBTQ+ events (including Trans Pride South West).

You can read the full article [here](#).

If you would like to contribute to our guest blog with a relevant article of +/-600 words, let us know by reply to this mail.

In case you missed it... we've also published several other articles recently. Check out:

- Nikki Stowe's blog on her [Ground-breaking, one-of-a-kind access scheme](#)
- Oliver Mitchell from Harrow School and Venus Raman from Notting Hill and Ealing High School's piece, [A Word of Advice on How to Break through the Glass Ceiling](#),
- James Fellowes article on why he wouldn't [Give Back His Bipolar Disorder](#),
- Jennifer Scott's article on [Directing Towards Diversity](#),
- Dr Serep Kele's article on [Linguistic Racism and Accent Bias](#), or
- Summerly Devito's piece promoting a [Free Inclusive Refugee Recruitment Toolkit](#).

Spotlight on... **New Board Appointments**

We are thrilled to announce two new appointments to the Board, as Executive Directors. With effect from 1 April, we are pleased to welcome [Annie Moon](#), in the position of Deputy Chief Executive Officer, also leading on corporate partnerships (e.g. [TSL](#) and [Transearch](#)) and Katrine Green, in the position of Finance Director.

We are always looking for new corporate supporters. If your company believes no-one should face persecution because of who they are or who they love, we'd love to hear from you.

Find out more about the benefits of partnering with us in our [Corporate Partnerships pack](#).

Spotlight on... **Our Podcast**

In collaboration with our partners, [Skin Deep](#) and TSL.



Our Podcast episodes are free to stream via our website...

- Episode #15 with Renee Bracey Sherman, Part 2 - [Listen here.](#)
 - Episode #14 National Hate Crime Awareness Campaign [Listen here.](#)
 - Episode #13 with Renee Bracey Sherman, Part 1 - [Listen here.](#)
 - Episode #12 with Ritu Mohanka - [Listen here.](#)
 - Episode #11 with Hira Ali - [Listen here.](#)
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Coming Up...

- 12 July – Our 12th Anniversary Celebration Event at Watershed in Bristol
 - 11 October – Our AGM at St Luke's Community, Islington, London
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