***Sisterhood, Solidarity & Self-Empowerment for Women of Colour in Academia***

Friday 14 October 2014 | University of the Arts London 272 High Holborn WC1V 7EY

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| TIME | ACTIVITY | SPEAKER/ FACILITATOR |
| 12.00pm | Registration | Raona Williams |
| 12.30pm | Welcome  Yada Competition | Dr Deborah Gabriel/Aisha Richards  Mehram Sumray-Roots |
| 12.45pm | BUFFET LUNCH & NETWORKING | |
| 2.00pm | **Inside the Ivory Tower Book Project - Theorising Race & Gender in Academia** | Dr Deborah Gabriel/Dr Shirley Tate,  Dr Marcia Williams/Dr Liz Opara |
| 2.40pm | Open Audience Discussion on Staff Issues Around Race & Gender in HE | Aisha Richards |
| 3.00pm | **BA Dissertation Presentation:** “**My Culture is Not a Trend: An Exploration into Cultural Appropriation of the Black Female Body in Popular Culture**” | Rebecca Aynge |
| 3.20pm | Q&A with audience on the dissertation topic | Rebecca Aynge |
| 3.30pm | **BA Dissertation Presentation:** “**You Just Have to Laugh It Off: A Study on How Humour is Used During the Sharing of Experiences About Racial Microagressions**” | Pauline Shabani |
| 3.50pm | Q&A with audience on the dissertation topic | Pauline Shabani |
| 4.00pm | Open Audience Discussion on Student Issues Around Race & Gender in HE | Melodie Holliday |
| 4.15pm | **How Shades of Noir is Working to Transform the Student Experience at UAL** | Aisha Richards |
| 4.35pm | **Poetic Recital on Sisterhood, Solidarity & Self-Empowerment** | Dr Deborah Gabriel |
| 4.40pm | Announcements  Yada Competition Winner | Dr Deborah Gabriel/Aisha Richards  Mehram Sumray-Roots |
| 4.45pm-5.30pm | DRINKS RECEPTION | |

**Hosts**

Dr Deborah Gabriel, Founder & CEO [Black British Academics](http://blackbritishacademics.co.uk/) & Aisha Richards, Founder & Director [Shades of Noir](http://shadesofnoir.org.uk/)

**Event Support Team/ Facilitators**

Raona Williams, Black British Academics Black Sister Network

Melodie Holliday, Shades of Noir & Black British Academics Black Sister Network

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