Imperial College London

Disability History Month Events 2012

THURSDAY 22ND NOVEMBER 16.00–17.30 DHM2012 Launch lecture by Dr Ossie Stuart

"Following the legacy of the Paralympics, how can we improve disabled people's experiences in the workplace?" The Olympics and Paralympics were great spectacles that reflected all that is good about humanity. In particular, we saw in the Paralympics superb athletes achieving their best. Dr Ossie Stuart, will map out the changes disability has undergone and will suggest that employment still remains the last frontier for disabled people today. In his opinion, the true legacy of the Paralympics will be a gold medal in the world of work.

Room G34, Sir Alexander Fleming Building

THURSDAY 29TH NOVEMBER 13.00-15.00 DROP-IN Tea and cakes

with Equality Unit and Disability Advisory Service supported by the Executive Sponsor for Disability, John Neilson

Come and join us for tea and cakes and find out more about what the College does for disabled staff and students. This is your chance to meet and greet the College staff involved in disability support and policy development.

Room 311, Level 3 Sherfield Building

THURSDAY 6TH DECEMBER 18.00–19.30 This poetry is madness!

Imperial College welcomes top performance poets Zena Edwards (goodnewzee.wordpress.com) and Mark Gwynne Jones (www.psychicbread.com) who will be performing their own unique responses to issues of mental health, in themselves and in others they have known. An opportunity to see some of the best of UK's spoken word artists deal with a serious issue in a sensitive and entertaining way that will help open up discussion on one of modern society's taboos. This will be followed by question and answer session with the poets.

Seminar and Learning Centre Room 1, Level 5 Sherfield Building

MONDAY 10TH DECEMBER 15.30-17.00 **Screening of Temple Grandin**

Temple Grandin is a biopic film directed by Mick Jackson

TUESDAY 4TH DECEMBER 13.00-15.00 Overcoming the difficulties in developing evidence-based approaches for learning disability

Webinar with Dr Patricia C Oliver Honorary Senior Research Fellow at Imperial College

Dr Oliver will speak of her research undertaken since the start of the 21st century into overcoming the difficulties in conducting evidence-based research in the field of Learning Disability, citing specific ethical and methodological solutions developed in research studies.

To join the webinar please email by Friday 30 November l.okhai@imperial.ac.uk

and starring Claire Danes as Temple Grandin, an autistic woman who has become one of the top scientists in the humane livestock handling industry. Dr Temple Grandin did not speak until age four and found interacting with people very challenging. She is noted for her humane design for the treatment of cattle in processing plants, which have been the subject of several books and won awards. Today, she is a professor at Colorado State University and well-known speaker on autism and animal handling. **Seminar and Learning Centre Room 7 Level 5**,

Sherfield Building

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