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Spotlight on Events

Northern Design Competition 2010



This year's Northern Design Competition, run by Leeds Met, has been officially launched, with Wayne Hemingway, founder of Fashion label Red or Dead, announced as the chair of the judging panel for the third year running. Joining Wayne on the panel will be industry leaders Sarah Cox, Frazer Hudson, Ab Rodgers, Corrine Sila, Ian Thompson and Mike Tonkin.

The Northern Design Competition is the largest competition outside of London for up-and-coming designers and is open to universities, colleges and sixth forms in the north of England. This year's categories are architectural design, fashion design, film and animation, graphic design, illustration, interactive media, photography and product design, with a prize fund of over £15,000. More importantly, with over 2,500 design organisations in Yorkshire alone, the competition also provides the ideal platform to match young creative talents with potential employers.

[Find out more](#)

Hull win Music Studio Challenge 2010



Students from Regional University Network partner Hull College have been crowned the winners of this year's Music Studio Challenge.

The third annual competition ran over the weekend of Friday 26 to Sunday 28 February. Teams from five partner colleges entered the challenge and competed against the clock and each other to produce their own version of a well-known song.

The teams had 24 hours of studio time over the weekend to create their masterpiece in Innovation North's state of the art music studios at Headingley Campus. Each team also had a current level 5 Innovation North student (BSc (Hons) Music Technology / BSc (Hons) Creative Sound & Technology) working with them as their mentor.

The winning team of Phil Killingworth, Ryan Johnson, Andy Mawer and Ryan Pullen are studying BA (Hons) Music Production top-up at Hull College. The team fought off competition from teams from Newcastle, Loughborough, Calderdale and Wakefield Colleges.

[Find out more](#)

Bishop Burton College student lends illustration skills to history of Old East Riding Constabulary



Foundation Degree Design student Richard Tienes of Hull has had his illustrations published in a book that takes a humorous look back at the old East Riding Constabulary. The book, which is written by retired police officer Ken Brooke, is entitled 'Police Incidents of the Humorous Kind: True Life Tales of Officers of the Old East Riding Constabulary', and contains stories and anecdotes donated by members of the old constabulary.

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Leeds City College wins recycling project of the year award



Leeds City College has been awarded 'Recycling Project of the Year' at the Community & City Pride Awards hosted by Leeds City Council.

The award ceremony, held at the Leeds Civic Hall included 12 community and environmental award categories. 'The Big Dump' campaign, a recycling project created and managed by the Marketing and Estates Departments at Leeds City College, was announced overall winner of the Recycling Project of the Year category.

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Dearne Valley College awards apprentices



Dearne Valley College (DVC) celebrated **Apprenticeship Week 2010** by hosting an awards celebration to congratulate successful, hard working young people and their employers.

On Wednesday 3 February 2010 the college hosted its first Apprenticeship Awards to reward those that have done well and show prospective employers the benefits an Apprentice can bring to a business.

Over the past few months nominations were submitted by employers and apprentices, with the winners announced at the celebration. The awards were presented at the Wath based college by Mike Long, Employers Services Manager from the National Apprenticeship Service.

[Read more](#)

For Students

Enterprise Footprint Competition 2010



The Enterprise Footprint Competition 2010 is now open for entries. This competition gives students an opportunity to increase their enterprise footprint by taking a photo of the footprint sticker somewhere 'enterprising'.

Entries will be displayed on the Institute for Enterprise website and the winner will receive an iPod at an award ceremony in April 2010. To enter the competition email: e.a.carter@leedsmet.ac.uk

RUN Volunteering Opportunity

St Francis of Assisi Catholic Primary School in Beeston.



Leeds Met is committed to Community Partnerships and Volunteering (CPV) and our CPV team work with community organisations to help staff and students of the University to access volunteering and community experiences both locally and abroad.

The Regional University Network (RUN) team is planning a staff volunteering day at St Francis of Assisi Catholic Primary School in Beeston. The challenge is to work as a team to design and paint a sports mural on the playground wall.

The RUN team would like to extend this volunteering opportunity to RUN students and particularly seeking those with a drawing talent. Students could work with staff in the RUN team from the design phase of the project and have their ideas permanently placed on the mural of the school's playground.

To confirm involvement or for more information please email Clare Marlow: c.marlow@leedsmet.ac.uk

Conferences & Events

ONE IN FOURUM

A forum theatre performance – workshop by one in Four Theatre Company

Wednesday 17 March, 5:30pm-7pm

Queen Square House, Leeds Met



When someone in our community is suffering with a mental health problem, sometimes it can be hard to know how to react, how to behave, or how to support them. Often people are stigmatised and discriminated against. In this performance-workshop, based on real experiences, we will explore what we can do to help

To book a seat email: d.mercer@leedsmet.ac.uk providing name and contact details.

Events and festivals in a green world:

Free event for school and college students

Wednesday 17 March, 6pm-8pm

The Rose Bowl, Leeds Met



In an attempt to reduce carbon emissions, should the council stop subsidising festivals and events? At this event, an invited panel will try to answer this question with the help of expert witnesses. They will grapple with the idea that subsidies may encourage people to feel good about their town or city but may also contribute to climate change by encouraging people to travel to these events.

The material discussed will be relevant to those studying geography, sociology, politics, environmental studies, travel and tourism, economics. Attendance can be added to CVs and used by students for personal statements (UCAS). For more information and to confirm places please email: r.thomas@leedsmet.ac.uk

Women in Games 2010 Conference

Thursday 25 March – Friday 26 March

Bradford



The University of Bradford in collaboration with Bradford College are hosting Women in Games (WIG) 2010.

WIG is in its 7th year and Bradford brings a strong technological and cultural background to this internationally recognised event, designed to highlight and discuss the issues of women working in game development, women as subjects of games and women gamers.

The conference is a meeting of the academy and the industry and this year will focus on the theme of Diversity; diversity in markets, in demographics, in development methodologies and platforms, as well as cultural and ethnical diversity surrounding games. This year keynote speakers include Lorna Evans from TIGA and Professor Valerie Walkerdine, author of 'Children, Gender, Video Games'.

[Further details and booking](#)



If you would like to include any information in the April issue of e-news, please email:

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