



## **Celebrating Buchi Emecheta – Call out for Volunteers**





The Royal African Society is looking for volunteers with a passion for all things Africa to join the team for a joint event **celebrating the life & work of the renowned British Nigerian writer Buchi Emecheta**.

The event will include a curated installation of The Life and Times of Buchi Emecheta, panel discussions, workshops, performances, music, dancing and Nigerian food.

Our volunteers tell us that the experience is valuable for gathering skills, having fun and meeting new people (and amazing writers)!

## About us

The Royal African Society is a membership organisation that fosters a better understanding of Africa in the UK and throughout the world. Our goal is to promote Africa globally in the spheres of business, politics, academia, arts and culture. We disseminate knowledge and insight to make a positive difference to Africa's development and celebrate the diversity and depth of African cultures.

## **Volunteering for Celebrating Buchi Emecheta**

As part of the volunteer team you have the following tasks and responsibilities:

- Meeting and greeting event guests and attendees
- Event registration and ushering
- Distributing the event programme, distributing and collecting feedback forms
- Management of speakers' refreshments
- Mic running during Q&A sessions
- Live tweeting and updating social media
- Any other duties as required

Your availability: You will be required to volunteer for one day on Saturday 3 February at the Brunei Gallery at SOAS. Lunch, tea & coffee will be provided and you will be invited to the lunch buffet and the evening drinks reception. You will also be able to attend some sessions and workshops, with an amazing line up of speakers including Leila Aboulela, Bernadine Evaristo, Bibi Bakare-Yusuf, Carole Boyce Davies, Veronique Tadjo, Irenosen Okojie & many more! Expenses for travel within London will be paid.

If you would like to volunteer please send your CV and brief email (200 words max) about your interest in volunteering to Caitlin Pearson at <u>ras\_events@soas.ac.uk</u> by <u>Friday 19 January 2018</u> (tel: 0203 073 8337)

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