

Wash Day

Saturday 15 October 2022, 12.00-17.30
Learning Centre, V&A South Kensington

A celebration of Afro hair - free events for all ages

Afro Zine Making Workshop

Learning Centre Level 0, Lunchroom 1
12.00-16.00

Explore hair, nostalgia, and identity in this hands-on zine workshop with *Korantema Anyimadu*.
@quarantimah
@black.hair.stories

Free, drop-in. Workshop times: 12.15-13.00, 13.15-14.00, 14.15-15.00, 15.15-16.00

Wash Day Demos

Learning Centre Level 0, Digital and Design Studio
12.00-17.30

Hairdresser *Uju Ozomba* and Kids Hair Coach and Stylist *Efayena Dorcas* will take you through a typical Wash Day experience sharing methods of detangling, washing, conditioning, and styling. Drop in throughout the day as they share their process on a variation of Afro hair types, children and adults.

@devinerootz
@afrophbabe

Free, drop in

1:1 Afro Hair Trichology Consultations

Learning Centre Level 1, Seminar Room 1
12.00-17.30

Are you in need of guidance regarding your hair type? Or for someone in your care? Is your wash day a bit of a wash out? Trichologists *Nicola Smart* and *Stefanie Sey* from the *Institute of Trichology* are ready to listen and give expert individual hair care advice for all Afro hair types.

@smarthairclinic
@stephanie_sey

Free, sign up for a 10-minute consultation on arrival – Limited number of slots available on a first come, first serve basis.

Family Space

12.00-17.30
Learning Centre Level 0, John Lyons Community Gallery

Dedicated space for families to chill out, read books, enjoy CBBC documentary *My Life: Hair at Home* and design your own colourful textile patterns inspired by the Africa Fashion exhibition at the Pattern Studio families display.

My Life: Hair at Home

Chelcea's biggest passion is for hair! In this documentary, she shows us how she does her hair at home, doing her own hair, her mum's hair, her sister's hair, her friend's hair and even her dad's beard. This is a pure celebration of Afro hair.

Film Screenings

Learning Centre Level 0, Art Studio
12.00-17.30

I Am She by Bollo Brook Youth Centre Girls Group

Young girls and women from Bollo Brook Youth Centre in Acton explore female experiences of Afro hair in its diversity and complexity.

@bollobrookyouthcentre

Afro Hair Rituals by Amber Akaunu

A teenage girl visits her grandmother to get her Afro hair done - an intimate moment that celebrates a central part of many black women's lives.

@amberakaunu

Dear Afro by Amanda Bright

An autobiographical short film exploring one woman's journey to embracing her natural hair.

@amandabrightactor

CABELO BEDJO by SUMWeekly

'CABELO BEDJO' is an expression for ugly hair generally referring to kinkier textures in Cape-Verdean Creole.

An experimental film based on intimacy, self-acceptance, textured hair and the mimesis of communal spaces created by women of colour.

@SUMweekly

Talks

Hair as a Work of Art

Learning Centre Level 1, Hochhauser Auditorium

13.00-13.45

Join multidisciplinary artist *Joy Matashi* as she discusses her work at the intersection of architecture, graphic design and hair using Afro hair as an artistic medium in conversation with freelance beauty and lifestyle writer *Ata-Owaji Victor*.

@joydarlinginnit

@ataowaji

Free, drop-in

Hair Care and Hair Loss

Learning Centre Level 1, Hochhauser Auditorium

14.00-14.45

Lorna Jones, Qualified Trichologist from the International Association of Trichologists shares her expert Afro hair care and styling tips. As Group leader of the UK CCCA Support group run by the Scarring Alopecia Foundation (SAF), Lorna will also explore some of the most common types of hair loss found in men and women and share her advice. CCCA otherwise known as Central Centrifugal Cicatricial Alopecia, is a type of central hair loss condition that is found almost exclusively in black women.

@caringforhairuk

Free, drop-in

A Letter to My Younger Self: Charlotte Mensah in Conversation with Afua Hirsch

The Lydia and Manfred Gorvy Lecture Theatre (entrance through Silver Gallery, Level 2)

15.30-16.30

Join award-winning hairstylist *Charlotte Mensah* as she reflects on her career in the world of natural hair care with writer, broadcaster and best-selling author, known for her work on culture, social justice, identity and anti-racism, *Afua Hirsch*.

Free, ticketed. Tickets are available on the V&A website.

Misery Party Music

Enjoy an exclusive playlist curated by Misery Party throughout the day. MISERY is a mental health collective centering healing and joy for queer, transgender, non-binary & intersex Black people and people of colour.

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