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THE BLACK EXPERIENCE ARTS PROGRAMME.

CARIBBEAN LABOUR IN REVOLT

The GLC's Race Equality Unit has commissioned eighteen projects to collectively highlight the Black and Asian influences in British society under the banner of the BLACK EXPERIENCE ARTS PROGRAMME.

As part of THE BLACK EXPERIENCE ARTS PROGRAMME the Institute Of Education hosts an impeccably informative exhibition entitled "CARIBBEAN LABOUR IN REVOLT".

CARIBBEAN LABOUR IN REVOLT gives an educational insight into the tradition of struggles of Caribbean people and contextualises the continued efforts to overcome oppression in contemporary Britain.

CARIBBEAN LABOUR IN REVOLT is an exhibition of photographs, contemporary newsprint, books and documents.

The main period of focus is the 1930's which was without doubt the most crucial decade in the history of the Caribbean region since the end of the Chattel Slavery in the 19th century.

This exhibition highlights people of the regions conducting struggles against U.S. rule engaging in nationwide labour revolts and making original contributions to world sculptures and music amongst many other imperative moves.

The Great Depression in 1939 and the Italian invasion of Ethiopia stimulated creative responses from the Caribbean people. Brutal conditions imposed by the United States, Britain, France and the Netherlands which caused for example more than one in every three children born in Barbados to die before the age of one.

Resistance put up by the Caribbean people in the 1930's after the labour revolts initiated new trade unions, new political parties and moves towards new independent states of the present period.

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"Exploration and celebration of the will, might and power of our ancestors is what this exhibition is about. It's a must for all those who wish to see the Caribbean as more than just a 'Backyard' of the U.S.A." says Cecil Gutzmore, organiser of this exhibition.

CARIBBEAN LABOUR IN REVOLT can be seen at the:
Institute Of Education, 20 Bedford Way, WC1H OAL.

The exhibition will run from 24th February to 31st March

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