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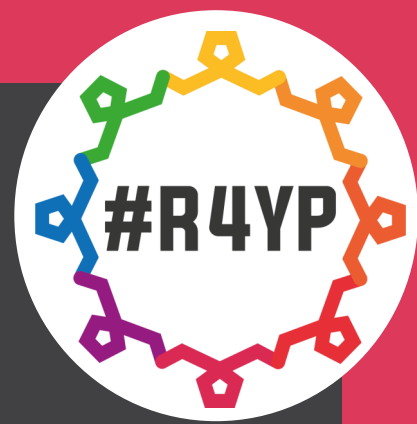
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Agenda



Drinks reception at 6.30pm

Welcome to the R4YP Inspiration Awards

Elly-May and Uche

Keynote speaker

Spoz

Performance

Jada

Dinner

Innovative Action, Community Action, Flying the Nest
and Duck to Water awards presentation

Elly-May and Uche

Performance

Leo

Personal Achievement and Superb Staff awards presen-
tation

Elly-May and Uche

Closing

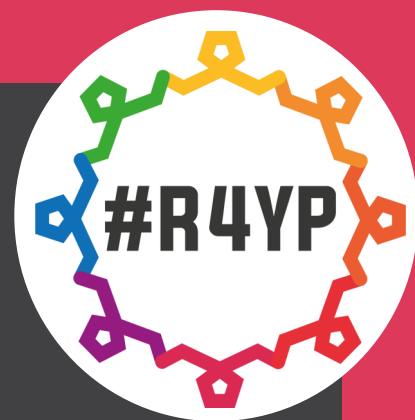
Phil Miles, Director of Clarion Futures

Performance

Madi

Disco

Words from the judges



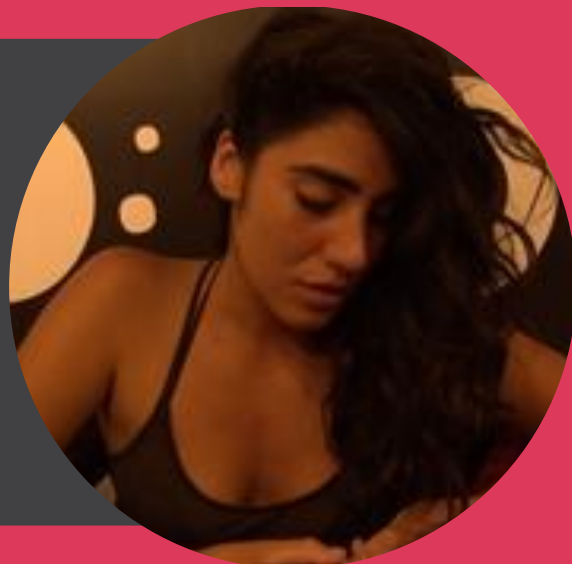
This year's nominations inspired us with the character of young people, and the staff supporting them, to do great things in their communities. Those showing most selfless determination to help and connect with others impressed us most. Judging the awards gives us immense joy to be able to share in so many amazing stories. We wish we could do more to acknowledge the many achievements of young people that too often go under appreciated in our society.

The Judges

The team of judges come from a range of cultural backgrounds with lived experience of overcoming disadvantages to pursue their talents. They have been working with InspireChilli to develop innovative projects such as the Opportunity Fund set up with Blgrave Trust and Paul Hamlyn Foundation in 2019 to invest in young people's potential.

Arianna Roberts

Arianna has a background in film production and has worked with InspireChilli to produce two video projects supporting asset-based work with young people.



Ranae Kaira

Ranae is a winner of the Bootstrap Charity Enterprise programme and runs her own graphic design consultancy, producing the certificate design for the R4YP awards. Ranae is passionate about educational inclusion and is due to speak on this topic at a TEDx in Norwich.

Musahedur Rahman

Musahedur is an apprentice at Wesleyan in Birmingham and a graduate of the We Belong Leadership programme for emerging young leaders from migrant backgrounds.



The Judges

Brookemorgan Henry-Rennie

Brookemorgan is the founder of SheOath, a community interest company that offers 'authentic confidence' programmes for young women experiencing life challenges. She is a graduate from the Opportunity Fund and Next Generation programme for emerging entrepreneurs.



Sarah Boeteng

Sarah is a winner of the Bootstrap Charity Enterprise programme and founded her own enterprise, IGEA, to invest in the education of young girls in Africa through better access to period products.

Rowan Kassab

Rowan is a practicing artist who runs a regular live art event in London. She has various interests in projects that support people's welfare, integration and wellbeing.



Innovative Action

Judges are looking for any project or individual(s) demonstrating creativity and forward thinking to involve young people in a community, service or activity. They will showcase an exciting way for young people to express their power and voice, inspiring others through positive action .



Kayleigh Long

For giving back to the community by dressing up as an easter bunny to deliver easter eggs to children in the local area. Kayleigh's determination to act on her own initiative to make the people around her happy is outstanding, even more so while serving as a carer for her younger sister with autism.



Young Leaders Preston Manor School

For securing a grant to fund culture, eco awareness and mental health projects at Wembley School. The culture day established a fashion and talent show to celebrate diversity and inclusion; the eco awareness project created an eco-space for students and staff; while the mental health project offered a goodie bag of resources for young people from underprivileged backgrounds.



Joshana Pemberson

For setting up a Food Market project to tackle food poverty experienced by young people in temporary accommodation in Brighton, offering a positive solution with local food providers that avoids the stigma associated with food banks by offering healthy food options at an affordable price.

Community Action

Judges are looking for projects or individual(s) who have supported and engaged with their local community by demonstrating a desire to make their community a safe space, provide services and opportunities, improve social inclusion, address discrimination and campaign for positive change, or involve people to combat isolation and loneliness. We will be looking for projects or groups/individuals who have been inclusive and diverse in their approach to community action.



YMCA Crewe

For creating a resource to share the stories of young refugees and asylum seekers with pupils in local High Schools, dispelling myths and helping individuals from the YMCA feel part of the community they want to make their home in. Working to target those from a younger age to understand and be aware of what they can do to support those going through the traumatic experience of relocating to a new country is transformative work.



Lewis Hunt

For empowering residents to make a positive difference in their community through his role as a Community Connectors Assistant, connecting people of all backgrounds to create positive change in their community. For example, through a community garden project in Acton that secured 161 volunteering hours in just one week. At only 22 years of age, Lewis is an inspiring young leader.



Dan Sneller

For his work to create a safe space for young people at the Sylvia Beaufoy Centre in rural Chichester, expanding the centre's range of services to give young people a better quality of life, and helping to secure a Friends group to raise sustainable funding for its activities.

Flying the Nest

Judges are looking for an individual who is nearing the end of their time in their programme or service and moving on to a new chapter in their journey, or who has recently done so. This award recognises the inspirational impact they have made on themselves and/or others, and commemorates the time they have spent in their programme or service and/or recognises the steps they have taken beyond it. Onto the next chapter!



Fahimul Islam

For his inspiring level of care shown for others, his creative thinking to fund and run online fitness and coaching sessions for young people in Tower Hamlets during the pandemic, and his ability to expand this project post pandemic by working with over 200 children in holiday camps and establishing sessions in PRUs, SEN schools, Mosques and single mum clubs.



Melanie Akas

For her resilience and determination to run a successful intergenerational Networking event looking at issues facing younger people in the workplace, despite the other ambassador organisers for the project dropping out, leaving her to overcome all the planning challenges while at the same time completing a level 3 qualification. She has since secured a job as a project manager.



Ellie Davis

For gaining the confidence and leadership skills as a young person at Verve Place foyer to take on the role of a young person ambassador, acting as the resident voice to listen to views, put across any concerns for management to act on, get involved in staff recruitment, and be a role model for others.

Duck to Water

Judges are looking for an individual(s) who has made a great start and taken to community action, volunteering or peer support like a 'duck to water'. They are dedicated and passionate about their cause with a focus on inspirational impact, and have become a valued addition to their community/service.



Tori-Jade Davies

For being passionate about using her skills to help other people at CHADD Foyer, becoming a key member in the development of the Foyer's Your Voice committee, and showing herself as a natural leader to build and facilitate young people's activism through the Foyer's new Power Pioneers group. From offering peer mentoring to assist other residents, to joining in with projects suggested by staff, Tori-Jade is an outstanding newcomer.



Charlie Addams

For his determination to help young people access robust mental health services, including work to support the establishment of a future Well Being festival, leading other young people to grow fruit and vegetables in the Foyer's gardening project, and becoming a go-to person for other young people interested in community action.



Dominyk Kaukenas

For overcoming physical challenges that impact on his mobility, and social anxiety, to take up a voluntary work placement at a local library, finding a positive experience he enjoys through which he can also help others in the community. With his new-found confidence, Dominyk's inspirational character will surely achieve other future successes.

Personal Achievement

Judges are looking for an individual(s) who has used their strengths and resilience to overcome challenges and barriers faced by young people in society, continually putting in effort irrespective of the outcome. They have shown determination and passion to achieve their goals and developed new skills whilst doing so.



Tyrese Prince

For the inspirational story of a young person who has turned his life around from adversity to let his true talents shine. Tyrese has overcome racist bullying, exclusion from school, going into care and involvement with gangs, to become a mentor for young people vulnerable to criminal exploitation, a trainee youth worker, and a youth advisor for funder Blagrove Trust.



Leo Borowski

For the inspiring way he has become an active member of the YMCA Crewe community, showcasing his passion to volunteer at the YMCA Café and shop, and his growing self-confidence to perform songs at a YMCA awards evening. Leo has not let his autism, ADHD and lack of work experience hold him back since coming to the YMCA, and now gets involved in everything from the design of a new garden area to sitting in on staff recruitment interviews.

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Negasi Mulugeta

For the resilience shown over a personal journey that has started to blossom. As an unaccompanied minor Negasi entered the UK at the age of 16 and had a 3 year fight to prove his age. Whilst isolated and fearful by the time he entered CHADD foyer, and with language a barrier, Negasi was eager to learn and fully participated in Foyer life, showing off his cooking skills and regularly attending college for ESOL. His passion for physical activities saw Negasi being asked to become a RISE Ambassador, meeting regularly with others to discuss and develop activities that young people in Dudley want.

Georgia Cannings

For overcoming challenges with tremendous strength. Georgia had hoped to use her passion for hair as a career before the pandemic prevented her from turning her hair extension training into practice. Despite losing confidence and experiencing anxiety at returning to work, Georgia embraced a mental health project to boost her wellbeing and took on a full-time apprenticeship to work towards her own hair business. When that apprenticeship saloon suddenly closed down, she asked for support from staff and was able to secure a replacement. No challenge appears to stop Georgia progressing her goals.

Superb Staff

Judges are looking for an inspiring member of staff who has surpassed expectations and made significant improvements to the lives of young people, by affording them opportunities, providing services; or has shown exceptional leadership skills to help motivate and drive young people to make a positive difference.



Charlotte Prendergast

For supporting young people from Southside Young Leaders Academy to achieve their potential. Her positive input gave the young leaders the encouragement to develop their own podcast on knife crime and violence affecting other young people. Charlotte helped the young leaders raise awareness of this issue from their lived experience as young men of colour living in south London, and assisted them to achieve the project's potential.



Beverly Ford

For her instrumental role in developing and delivering an AQA qualification program for Swan Foyer Residents, embedding in excess of 180 individual learning units into the foyer programme over a 12 month period, working with young people to add additional modules where required, and overall enabling young people to begin to leave Swan foyers with a recognised learning award and increased confidence from the skills developed through the program.



Caroline Boury

To recognise her inspirational work to set up the Boury Academy in Lambeth, giving young people creative opportunities in an arts industry lacking diversity. She has fought for arts provision to be maintained in challenging schools, begged and borrowed to make community events and performances happen, and invested both emotionally and financially to enable young people to enjoy a safe space at the Academy where they are encouraged to be themselves, making numerous personal sacrifices to help make young people's dreams happen.



As the largest housing provider in the South West, LiveWest has more than 39,000 homes across the region and over 80,000 customers. They offer homes for affordable rent and shared ownership sale. They also build homes for private sale, to generate profits which are used to provide and build more affordable homes.



The Foyer Federation is the home of Advantaged Thinking. We support a national network of passionate and dedicated youth services to inspire young people to lead, and to realise their power and purpose.



Clarion Futures is the charitable foundation of Clarion housing group. They will invest £150 million over ten years to provide support skills and opportunities to more than 360,000 social housing residents across the UK.



InspireChilli is a training, research and innovation partner offering asset-based expertise and youth-led insights for organisations in the UK and overseas.



Housing Association Youth Network is a peer network for youth focused roles within the social housing sector, whose mission is to keep young people at the heart of what they do by providing quality services.