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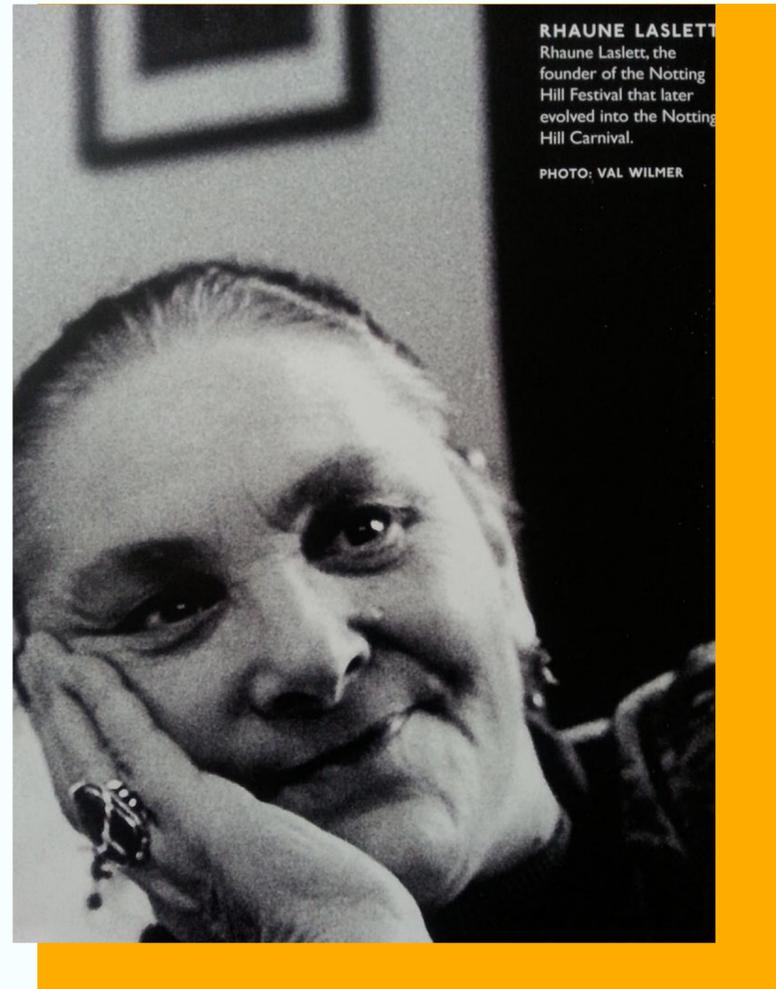
KS3 Learning Activities



Notting Hill Carnival

Rhaune Laslett-O'Brien and Claudia Jones

The Pioneers of Notting Hill Carnival



Rhaune Laslett-O'Brien



Claudia Jones

Head over to this [link](#) to learn about the history of Notting Hill Carnival, and the background of the pioneers!

Our Beauties Compete For Caribbean Queen Prize

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Gloria Russell Cherry Larina



Jeanelle Francis Nanna Kemp Cheryl Castellana

WEST INDIES NEED VALENTINE See page 8



Ferna Richards

More than 30 Caribbean Beauties were among contestants throwing their hat into the ring at the closing days of the contest approached and at the time of our going to press. The stipulations were scheduled to take place at the West Indian Student Union Centre on one of our going to press. At J. C. Douglas Goodwin, who the leading artist, Cy Grant, was to appear to help the beauties over their nervous spots by his very presence and encouragement to cheer up.

Full list—see page 8.
Left: Sylvia Earle

CA A CARNIVAL HALL Sat. 6 Feb 6, 1960 It's a date!



B.B.C. To Televis Carnival

PANEL OF 12 JUDGES TO SERVE

THE Panel of 12 persons who have been asked to serve on the February 6th Panel of Caribbean Carnival Judges for the 1960 Caribbean Queen had accepted W.I.G.'s invitation to do so at press time.

These are: Mr. George Lanning, writer; Mrs. Nadia Calhoun, Lindy, actress; Mr. Jan Carey, writer; Mr. Anthony Bryson, producer; Mr. Victor Price; Mr. Edward McKenna, Inspector-Exporter; Mr. L. O. Weeks, Customs Head; Mr. Samuel Soboye, writer; Mr. Rex Abbott, Public Relations Officer, West Indies Commission; Mrs. Donald Connor; and Mrs. C. B. Clarke, wife of Dr. C. B. Clarke. The judges will also judge the Best Dressed Bands.

Premier Norman Manley of Jamaica, in London for Colonial Office talks and addresses over-flow meeting in Lambeth Town Hall's Council Chamber, Chairman of the meeting was Mayor Calder of Lambeth. Also shown are Jamaica's Finance Minister, E. Arscott; Sir Garret Gordon, W.I. Commissioner; and Commissioner Hancock (see Editorial on Page 2).

W.I.G. Editor, Claudia Jones will award the prize from the raffish of our huge Tombola.

MISS SYLVIA WYNTER, actress-playwright, will be the narrator of the Carnival Queen Contest on February 6th.

PREPARATIONS for the Second Annual Caribbean Carnival organised by West Indian Gazette moved into the crescendo-like pace of "talking drums" as the last three weeks remained before the night of February 6th, 1960, when Sefton Hall will be witness to all the best in music, song and dance of the Caribbean Carnival.

Adding to the mounting in gaiety and joy into every level of the 1960 Caribbean Carnival, in which surprises about participating in it have reached W.I.G. offices from as far as Birmingham and Manchester, was the good news that once again this year, the B.B.C. has again agreed to televise the Carnival.

The Carnival will reflect the spirit of "togetherness" which West Indian and their friends in England will re-create in Sefton Hall, and thus define the Carnival spirit of Friendship.

Henry, MBE, Goddard; Rex Headman and His Steel Band; Robert Nunn and His Orchestra and The New World Singers directed by Mr. Percy Jones, a new talent who will sing Caribbean and New World songs.

Stanley Jack, Trinidad-born choreographer and actor, will be Grand, beautiful young starlet; Elaine Indum; Lord Kitchener; Indian and their friends in England will re-create in Sefton Hall, and thus define the Carnival spirit of Friendship.

Robesons, M.P.s Greet Carnival

GOOD wishes for the success of our 1960 Caribbean Carnival come in from many quarters as we were going to press. First among them were from the Paul Robeson Mrs. Paul Robeson, who accepts to serve as a Carnival patron under to W.I.G. editor Claudia Jones.

"Paul and I wish you every success with the Carnival on February 6th. We are sorry that we will be out of the country, and thus unable to attend.

"We have enjoyed very much the lively West Indian music and dance in the West India Hall, and we are delighted that some of it has been brought here to the British people, so that they too may enjoy it."

And from Col. Marcus Lipton, O.B.E., J.P., M.P. for Sharnbrook, come the message stating that

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Test Yourself!

Write a paragraph:
Why do you think that Claudia Jones' indoor events were important to the Caribbean community at the time?

Write a paragraph:
Why do you think that celebrating Notting Hill Carnival is still important now?

Fill in the blanks with the words below

Notting Hill Carnival is an annual event that takes place over the of August. It has taken place since 1966. Notting Hill Carnival was created in response to racially motivated riots that happened in Notting Hill in following tension with white nationalists who were critical of Caribbean immigration after WW2.

Two women who were fighting against injustice, and sought for harmony during this turbulent time were Rhaune Laslett' O'Brein and Claudia Jones.

Claudia Jones was born inin 1915, and moved to Britain in 1955. She founded and edited the first Black British newspaper called the West Indian Gazette, and created an indoor Caribbean festival to celebrate Caribbean culture and achievements. The indoor festival lasted for.....years until 1964.

Rhaune Laslett' O'Brein was born in, she was an activist and community leader, who is known for bringing carnival to the streets through a vision she had, seeing people dancing, singing in the streets, and wearing beautiful costumes. In September 1966, permission was granted to hold a week long fête, with a parade that started and finished back at, travelling through the different streets of the Notting Hill area in between.

Due to the efforts of these two pioneers who sought harmony in the streets of Noting Hill, Notting Hill Carnival in its current form was born, becoming a way to celebrate West Indian culture.

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Bank Holiday Weekend

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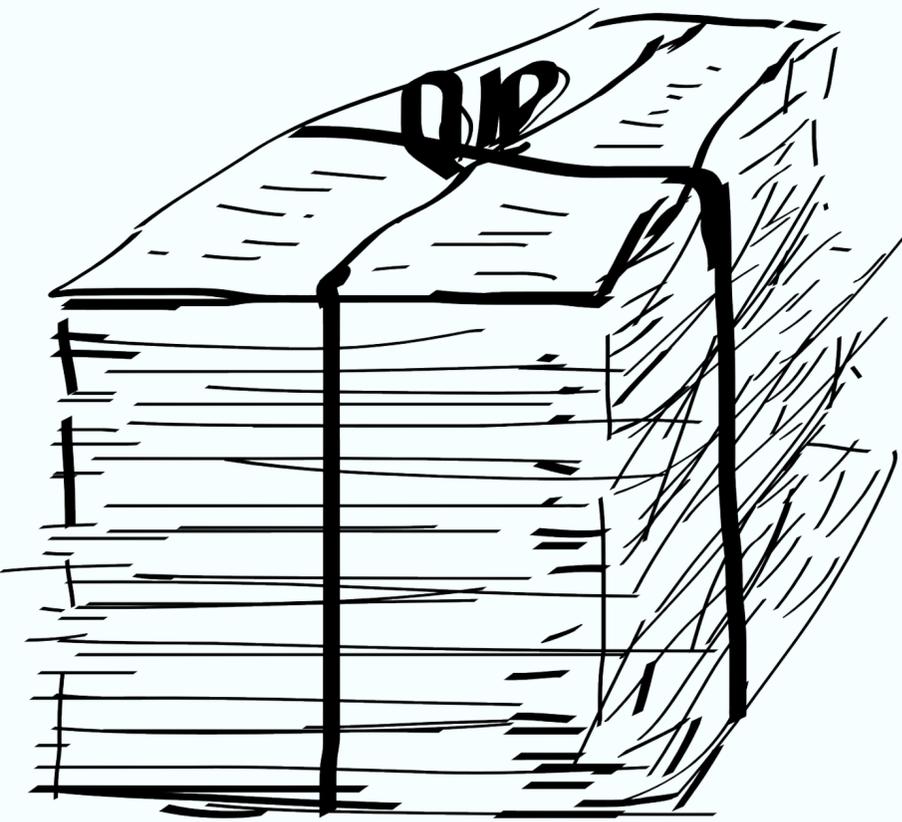
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Newspaper Report!

Imagine that you are Claudia Jones, writing and editing articles for the West Indian Gazette:



Think of and research a topic that would interest readers of the West Indian Gazette (E.G. Important people, Caribbean countries, food, politics and other celebrations).

- Find someone in your house or a friend to do a mini interview with - ask them questions on the subject that you would like to discuss in your article.
- **Create your own A4 newspaper article!**

Give your newspaper a name, and headline. Your article should include: information about the topic area that you have researched and responses from your mini interview.

Get creative and good luck!

Ask an adult to @theblackcurriculum on instagram with a picture of your article for a chance to be featured on our story