

INNER STRENGTH NETWORK

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Inner Strength Network Celebrates 10 years 7 MARCH 2023

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> MERTON CIVIC CENTRE,LONDON ROAD SM4 9sG

10-2pm LUNCH PROVIDED



International Speaker Bishop Elect Vassell

Mayor of Merton



Councillor Stringer

Shea Soul

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Zoe Gallen A personal perspective

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TO YOU INNER STRENGTH NETWORK CIÇ



MELANIE MONAGHAN CHAIR OF BOARD

ISN is 10! What an amazing 10 years of achievement it has been. I remember first meeting Maureen in Vestry Hall and finding her passion and enthusiasm inspiring which has translated into the work of ISN. Now we celebrate 10 years and thank all the inspiring women and girls who have contributed to ISN's success.



FOUNDER & CEO

WELCOME

We at Inner Strength Network would like to thank everyone who have supported the Inner Strength Network across 10 years. Thank you for every women and girl, every referral, fund, donation, volunteer, board member and our amazing team.

In a time of great concern around the issues relating to violence against women and girls (VAWG) we are delighted to still be adding our voice on women's issues today.

We are proud to have been consulted on;

Women''s safety from New Scotland Yard after the Everard case Training leaders in schools on how to speak with students on race issues after the Floyd case Training doctors and NHS staff on having difficult conversations around domestic abuse and safeguarding Supporting UCL on the VIP Review around hate crime Delivering Psychological Safety for leaders on how to stay well as they help others and the list goes on.

We thank all those who have supported our campaigns such as;

The "WE WON'T STAND FOR IT" Campaign aimed at recognising misogyny as a hate crime The "I AM" Campaign aimed at every woman celebrating their worth The "LCC "Campaign aimed at raising self esteem in black women The White Ribbon Campaign 2020 which involved men saying no to domestic abuse

We are proud to have been the first organisation to have started coaching women of domestic abuse and recognised it as a tool to support women.

We continue to provide placement opportunities for schools and universities some of which have included the

following: Kings College London London School of Economics Goldsmith University Kingston University Bayes Business School UCL

This vital work must continue Let us celebrate the women today in our awards ceremony and celebrate yourselves for still being here.

Thank you to Merton Council for hosting the venue this year

Thank you to the ISN team Anjee Josephine Eli Camz and of course our ISN Board

Maureen

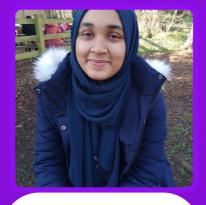
HAPPY 10TH ANNIVERSARY FROM SOME OF OUR ISN GIRLS

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I'm stronger now than before because when people didn't believe in me I pushed through.

Congratulations on making women stronger for the last 10 years!



I'm stronger now because I learned that hope can set you free.

Congratulations on changing our (women's) history!



I'm stronger now because I'm more confident than ever! Well done for changing people's lives!



I'm stronger now than ever before because I've pushed through all the hardships

Congratulations on changing womankind for 10 years!



I am stronger now because I've listened and I've learned. Congratulations!!



I am stronger now because I have achieved the things I wanted to by practising You've done an amazing job to help women and girls know they're special!

HAPPY 10TH ANNIVERSARY



Adviser

I am proud to say I have been there from the very beginning, on the ground floor. The women and children who have been helped by this CIC is absolutely phenomenal! I've had the pleasure of hearing first hand the stories of recovery and personal transformation. I have witnessed the Inner Strength Network grow from an idea to an organisation that helps such a wide and diverse range of people from a variety of backgrounds to overcome difficult moments in their lives. I am so proud and well done.

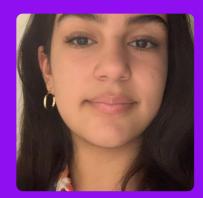


Board member

Happy Birthday! ISN!! How wonderful and amazing is that! What a fantastic achievement Maureen with a brilliant team beside you.

Who would have thought how inspiring and supportive you have been to the women and girls in the community including me and your staff! We need to celebrate guys! Well done!!!

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GIRLS EMPOWERED TO LEAD GROUP

I am stronger now because I have realised I am worth every little or great thing that I do.

Congratulations to Inner Strength Network!

You guys have helped me through my ups and downs. 10 years and strong!

PROGRAMME

FRIDAY 7 MARCH 2022

INNER STRENGTH NETWORK 'STRONGER NOW' EVENT IN CELEBRATION OF INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY

- 10-10:15 Refreshments and Networking
- 10:15 Welcome by Maureen Bailey (CEO of Inner Strength Network)
- 10:30 Keynote speech video Councillor Eleanor Stringer
- 11:15 Activity

12:15

11:30 Speech from Zoe Gallen (a personal touch)

Song by special guest Shea Soul

10 year presentation Comfort break

12:30 Mayor of Merton

Arts Award (made impact using art to support community)

Lucy Award (this woman has shone light in the community)

Inner Strength Award (overcome challenges and still rises)

Young Woman of the Year (new-found confidence)

Inspirational Woman of the Year

(significant contribution to services relating to woman)

1:30 Lunch and Networking

Standholders include; Salvation Army Police Stand IDVA



Mayor of Merton will officiate the 10 year special awards



Zoe Gallen

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Councillor Stringer Women and Girls Cabinet member

"Eleanor Stringer is the Deputy Leader of Merton Council and a Wimbledon Labour councillor. As the Cabinet Member for Civic Pride, she has political responsibility for community safety, including tackling violence against women and girls, as well as being the lead on equalities and diversity. She was previously responsible for Children and Education. including providing support for schools and families during the pandemic. In her non-political roles, she has worked for many years in the charity sector funding projects supporting disadvantaged children, and is a trustee of a homelessness foundation.

Tackling misogyny, preventing male violence and addressing gender inequalities are all top priorities for Eleanor."



Bishop Elect Andrea Vassell International Speaker on healthcare education

She is a Registered Nurse, Theological Scholar, Pastor, Conference Convener and Facilitator. She serves as the Social Justice and Witness Taskforce representative to the NJA Council. Most recently represented TFAM at the Whitehouse with other religious leaders in a roundtable discussion on reproductive rights after the leaked SCOTUS decision to overturn Roe v. Wade and at the Biden Administration commemoration of the passage of the Inflation Reduction Act In 2017 she founded Keeping Our Girls in School (KOGIS)- a program that provides menstrual hygiene products to girls experiencing period poverty in Nairobi, Kenya. She believes that no girl's education should be interrupted by her period. In 2019 B. E. Vassell founded the Wawa Aba Womanist Leadership Institute, a program designed to teach womanist theology and leadership skills to emerging leaders in East Africa.

SHEA SOUL Shea is a professional singer/songwriter writer and vocal coach who has worked in the music industry

for over 20 years. **Collaborating with** many music artists, producers, and self claiming industry gurus, she has faced multiple incidents of misogyny and abuse of power. She is passionate about speaking up against it, and encouraging women to trust in themselves, and own their rights as equal human beings.

Doreen Lawrence supports ISN launch event at Waterloo Action Centre 2012

> First set of girls on our leading ladies programme 2012

Start to coach women and girls at the local refuge 2013

Child exploitation course YASS means You Are Safe, Special recognised by Public Health Merton 2014

MALORIE BLACKMAN speaks at ISN's leading ladies programme at KINGS COLLEGE UNIVERSITY 2015









Maureen is interviewed on housing issues related to abuse



WIMBLEDON TENNIS interview ISN CEO about its work

William Sutton Prize 2018

Highly Commended for Social Entrepreneurship and Innovation Presented to Inner-Strength Network for Encouraging Her ISN SUPPORTS START UP and receives highly commended entrepreneurship and innovation recognition



ISN CEO CHAIRS THE HATE CRIME COMMITTEE WORKING WITH SCHOOLS AND THE POLICE AT EVENTS

2019

INNER STRENGTH NETWORK CONTINUED THROUGH THE PANDEMIC WITH IMPACT 2020-2021



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Forbes





TEE World News

How Women Are Dealing with the 'Double Pandemic' of Coronavirus and Domestic Violence ISN SPEAKS TO EMBASSY TO SUPPORT WOMAN TO GET BACK TO THE UK TO GIVE BIRTH

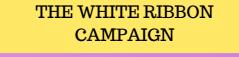
BBC Recognises ISN DURING covid for MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN THE COMMUNITY

ISN CEO WRITES ARTICLE IN FORBES MAGAZINE ON MENTAL HEALTH DURING CRISIS

CHILDREN AND WOMEN'S COACHING CONTINUES ON LINE

VICE MAGAZINE INTERVIEWS ISN SURVIVORS ABOUT THE DOUBLE PANDEMIC

INNER STRENGTH NETWORK CAMPAIGNS



ISN RECEIVES VIDEOS FROM MEN PLEDGING WHAT THEY WILL DO TO END VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN

AGAINST WOMEN

MEN

THE END OF VIOLENCE

SUPPORT

THE MISOGYNY CAMPAIGN



THE "WE WON'T STAND FOR IT " MISOGYNY CAMPAIGN REMINDING THAT WE DON'T HAVE TO ACCEPT THE HATE

THE LOVE ,CELEBRATE ,AND COMMEMORATE CAMPAIGN



THE LCC CAMPAIGN REMINDING WOMEN TO LOVE, CELEBRATE AND COMMEMORATE WOMEN

THE "I AM " CAMPAIGN ABOUT WOMEN LOVING THEMSELVES

INNER STRENGTH CONTINUE TO OFFER FREE ONE TO ONE COACHING FOR CHILDREN AND WOMEN WHO HAVE SUFFERED ABUSIVE SITUATION

We also deliver business coaching for leaders supervision coaching and more . To refer please email anjee@innerstrengthnetwork.com Mon,Tues, Thur camz@innerstrengthnetwork.com Mon,Tues, Fri maureen@innerstrengthnetwork.com



WE HAVE NOW LAUNCHED THE WE THRIVE PROGRAMME FOR VICTIMS OF DOMESTIC ABUSE WHICH IS BOTH ONLINE AND FACE TO FACE

Contact camz@innerstreng thnetwork.com if you want the link to be sent to you



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Love the skin you are in

Coaching at Inner Strength Works

COACHED BY INNER STRENGTH NETWORK, YASMIN SHARES HER AFFIRMATIONS FOR COMBATING NEGATIVE THOUGHTS

From one survivor to another:

My affirmations for combating negative thoughts, to read on low days.

- You are capable
- Your depression and anxiety do not define you.
- Don't compare yourself to others, we are all on our own journey

• You tend to focus more on your failures, but you have made great progress in the last year

• Remember – recovery is not a straight line, there will be ups and downs

• One bad day doesn't cancel out all your progress, it's just a bump in the road

• Thoughts are not facts – just because you think things are hopeless, that doesn't mean it's true, there is always hope

 Isolating yourself never makes you feel better – talk to someone you trust

- No-one should live in fear
- You deserve a life free from abuse
- You are worthy of a happy life

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Activity Notes



10 YEARS CELEBRATION



In recognition of International Women's Day

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WE CELEBRATE THESE real Women and girls WHO HAVE OVERCOME

Amalia Carla Joanna Rayleigh Najla Alison Satsuki Delrose Stacey AndaJade Kaylee Lisa Arwa Sara Lucy Jennifer Emma Lina Hasna Widdad Emy Maryann Sarina A Rio **Reet Caur** Aisha Sara Marina Behnaaz Jackie Zarah Faitha Kim Chloe Ramadan Eli Mimoza Ava Natasha Khra Annette Aisha Asqa Mulan Tamana Ebony Emmy Sabat Tamiyah lara Inava Victoria Pinki Scarlett Lina Marjarna Maria Ava Jenny Sara Tasha

10 Black Women Inventors



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Mary & Mildred Davidson

From Queens , New York. Invented in 19966 a system that used a camera which slide into and look through four peepholes in her front door as a home Security System, Co-Inventor in 1966

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