

# Black History Month 2022



Zendaya Makes History With Second Win for *Euphoria* at 2022 Emmys

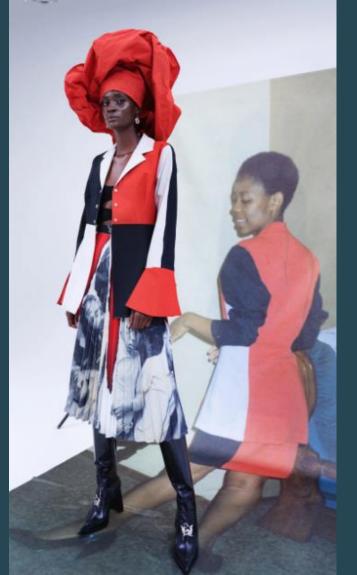
https://www.vanityfair.com/hollywood/2022/09/zendaya-emmys-2022-euphoria-win





"She's Brown like me": Young girls react to Halle Bailey as Ariel in Disney's "The Little Mermaid"

https://www.cbsnews.com/news/halle-bailey-ariel-the-little-mermaid-black-girls-react-to-trailer/



## Thebe Magugu

Despite being in his 20s, Thebe Magugu has been widely praised for his thoughtful and inventive collections that comment on history, culture and politics.

https://www.vogue.com/fashion-shows/spring-2022-ready-to-wear/thebe-magugu







https://www.cnbc.com/2021/02/01/23-black-leaders-who-are-shaping-history-today.html



#### Lizzo

Claim to fame: Singer, songwriter, rapper, activist

Why she's extraordinary: Lizzo has won three Grammy Awards, a Billboard Music Award, and a BET Award. But aside from her incredibly popular music, Lizzo is known for her advocacy and her dedication to practicing body positivity and self-love.



#### Sheila Johnson

**Claim to fame:** Businesswoman, entrepreneur

Why she's extraordinary: As the cofounder of Black Entertainment Television (BET), Johnson earned her spot as the first Black female billionaire on a *Forbes* list in 2000. She's also the first and *only* African American woman to have stake in three pro sports teams: the Wizards, the Capitals, and the Mystics.



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### Kizzmekia Corbett, PhD

Claim to fame: Viral immunologist

Why she's extraordinary: Kizzmekia Corbett, PhD was notably one of the leading scientists developing the Covid-19 vaccine in 2020. Working at the National Institutes of Health, Corbett was a key player in the team that developed the Moderna vaccine that was later proven to be 94.1 percent effective against the virus. Anthony Fauci, MD, described her involvement "right at the forefront of the development of the vaccine" as "a sign of hope" for other young scientists. Corbett is now also an Assistant Professor of Immunology and Infectious Diseases at the Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health.



## Black Girl Podcast blackgirlpodcast Society & Culture

https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/black-girl-podcast/id1184104197

https://open.spotify.com/show/6NcliNjh5FD0ETqtpEwjSn



## PAINTING OUR PAST: THE AFRICAN DIASPORA IN ENGLAND

In 2021 English Heritage commissioned a series of six portraits celebrating the lives of people of the African diaspora whose stories have contributed to England's rich history. Each artist was supported by our curators and historians to creatively depict their subject.

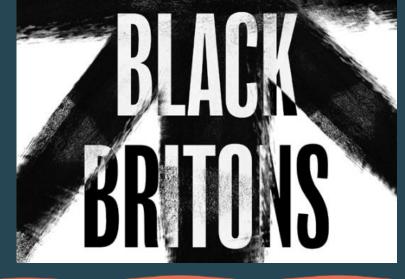
Each painting was hung at the English Heritage site connected to its subject.

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Hannah Uzor with her painting of Sarah Forbes Bonetta

https://www.english-heritage.org.uk/learn/painting-our-past/

# PATRICK VERNON & ANGELINA OSBORNE



A long-overdue book honouring the remarkable achievements of key Black British individuals over many centuries, in collaboration with the 100 Great Black Britons campaign founded and run by Patrick Vernon OBE.

'Building on decades of scholarship, this book by Patrick Vernon and Dr Angelina Osborne brings the biographies of Black Britons together and vividly expands the historical backdrop against which these hundred men and women lived their lives.' From the Foreword, by DAVID OLUSOGA

'I am delighted to see the relaunch of 100 Great Black Britons. For too long the contribution of Britons of African and Caribbean heritage have been underestimated, undervalued and overlooked' SADIQ KHAN, Mayor of London

Patrick Vernon's landmark 100 Great Black Britons campaign of 2003 was one of the most successful movements to focus on the role of people of African and Caribbean descent in British history. Frustrated by the widespread and continuing exclusion of the Black British community from the mainstream popular conception of 'Britishness', despite Black people having lived in Britian for over a thousand years, Vernon set up a public poll in which anyone could vote for the Black Briton they most admired.

The response to this campaign was incredible. As a result, a number of Black historical figures were included on the national school curriculum and had statues and memorials erected and blue plaques put up in their honour. Mary Seacole was adopted by the Royal College of Nursing and was given the same status as Florence Nightingale. Children and young people were finally being encouraged to feel pride in their history and a sense of belonging in Britain.

Now, with this book, Vernon and Osborne have relaunched the campaign with an updated list of names and accompanying portraits - including new role models and previously little-known historical figures. Each entry explores in depth the individual's contribution to British history - a contribution that too often has been either overlooked or dismissed.

# How to celebrate

Here are some ways you can celebrate Black History Month:

- Discover <u>Black British artists</u>
- Read <u>Black British authors</u>
- Listen to <u>Black British music artists</u>
- Explore <u>100 Great Black Britons</u>
- Learn important moments of <u>Black British history</u>









## "I am lucky that whatever fear I have inside me, my desire to win is always stronger." — Serena Williams