Valentine? NO PLANET TIME!

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MAYOR OF LDN'S POW TEAM X ROYAL HOLLOWAY COLLEGE PRESENTS WE V THE PLANET | 10AM-1PM | 14TH FEB 2022 We ♥ The Planet is going to be a **powerful**, **youth-led event**, celebrating the work that has taken place in and around **COP26** and truly uplift those young voices that have taken part. This is a collaboration with The Mayor of London's Peer Outreach Team (15-25yr olds) and Royal Holloway College.

WHO

We're working with Votes for Schools, GLA's Environment Team, , who will come and present their findings of 50,000 student votes regarding the climate and children's rights being violated. The GLA's Environment team will also share their Climate Kick- Start Prize winners and celebrate those schools that got involved.

Our audience will entail a diverse mix of organisations who work with children and young people from the arts, disability and neurodiversity, school exclusions, local grass-root initiatives and more.

WHAT

We're hoping for panel talks, performances, art exhibited and film screening. We are looking to invite around 100-150 guests, including deputy mayors, council members, statutory and non-statutory organisations, young people, environmentalists, grass-root charities and more!

WHEN

We are looking to occupy the venue space from 9am-2pm and are looking to serve lunch for our guests post event and refreshments prior the start of the event. The event duration is 10-12pm and 12-1pm lunch and network. **The Peer Outreach Team**, also known as the POW team has been a part of City Hall and Greater London Authority since 2006. Rebecca Palmer initiated the program as she understood the need for children and young people to have a say and better yet a stake within their lives and futures. "**Through the action of young Londoners, comes real change**" is a quote she has sworn by and is a quote created by young Londoners themselves. The team supports our Lynk Up Crew Members as well as other young people who are not in education or training.

The team has done a range of work over the years, from painting a children's home in Beckton to conducting research for the London Sustainable Commission in liaison with Royal Holloway University to also conducting inquires within parliament regarding children's rights and whether the U.N's convention on the rights of the child is being upheld within London and the U.K. The team is curated in various ways and it's a group of 30 15-25yr olds.

They all come from London and from diverse backgrounds. Many of the team have lived experience in hardships faced through the care system and youth justice systems. They all have a passion for making London a better city for themselves, their communities, and their futures. Their passion is to be a voice for the marginalised and give young London a platform to share their views and opinions.

Here is a little message from Becs and Mark, the backbone of the POW team - "Young Londoners make up roughly 25% of London's population and so it is vitally important we take their views and opinions on board when tackling key issues and shaping a better city for all "

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