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WORKING FOR DALSTON'S FUTURE

UBS SUPPORTS LOCAL BUSINESS AGAIN!

UBS, one of the world's leading financial firms based in the City, is once again sending a team of business advisors into Hackney at the end of August to give free advice and mentoring to a group of local Hackney businesses.

UBS is a premier global financial services firm offering wealth management, investment banking, asset management and business banking services to clients. UBS has a very active community affairs programme encouraging employees to share their time, skills and expertise in the community of Hackney to support voluntary organisations and small businesses and schools. These employees have worked in UBS for around 3 years and have good skills in finance, business planning and business analysis. As part of their two week training programme they are keen to have an opportunity to transfer some of their business skills into a new environment and have a situation that enables them to practice giving real business advice to individuals as they progress to a more client focused role.

The sessions, which will be run in association with East London Business Alliance (ELBA), will offer in-depth planning and financial advice to up to twenty local small Hackney businesses. Demand is sure to be huge, so contact Cory Defoe or Bekele Teklu NOW to book your place.

The sessions will be held at the Tomlinson Centre in Queensbridge Road on August 27th and begin at 10 am. Also, the sessions will occupy the whole day so you must be able to guar-

antee attendance for the full day to be awarded a place.

What are you waiting for - contact us now! 02079933637 or d4l@hced.co.uk

DALSTON4LONDON BUSINESS ADVICE SERVICE

FOR INFORMATION AND ADVICE ON DEVELOPING YOUR BUSINESS PLEASE CONTACT CORY DEFOE ON 0207 993 3639 OR D4L@HCED.CO.UK

****REGISTER NOW WITH D4L AND GET A FREE WEB PRESENCE! D4L IS COMPILING A WEB-BASED DIRECTORY OF DALSTON BUSINESSES - CALL CORY NOW FOR MORE DETAILS AND TO ENSURE YOUR LISTING****

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DALSTON RETAILERS TO SUFFER AS NORTH LONDON LINE SET TO CLOSE

Dalston retailers, already suffering because of traffic management schemes necessitated by the Overground works at Dalston Junction, suffered a further blow as TfL announced that the North London Line through Dalston Kingsland will close for a minimum of three months from December 24th 2009. The closure is part of the works being undertaken to extend the North

London Line to accommodate four carriage trains. Before the full closure, the North London Line will be closed every Sunday from now on, and Boleyn Road will be closed for works to strengthen the railway bridge.

As if all this weren't enough, there will be additional problems throughout the autumn period as the Dalston Junction one way system will be replaced by a traffic management system on Kingsland Road. Like the Dalston Lane works, this will involve closure of the footpath on one side of the road, moving bus stops and restricted traffic lanes, though two-way traffic will be maintained. We are currently hoping to get a look at the traffic management plans for the area, and when we do, we will publish them on our web site. Please check www.dalston4london.org.uk for further details.

COME TO THE DALSTON MILL



The Dalston Mill is being created in the heart of Dalston as part of the Barbican's Radical Nature exhibition.

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A 20-metre long wheatfield will be grown for three weeks. The 16-metre high mill that will grind the wheat will open on 17th July, together with a bread oven where the collective will work with the local community to bake different breads from the resulting flour.

GILLETT SQUARE GAMES DAYS SET FOR AUGUST

Gillett Squared will be running its popular games days in association with Universal Board Games again this year. Running every Saturday in August except the 8th, the days will feature the usual mix of board games, large chess and also sports such as basketball and table-tennis on some days. For a full programme please see the Gillett Square web site at www.gillettsquare.org.uk

ARE YOU APPLY- ING TO HACKNEY COUNCIL FOR A VOLUNTARY SEC- TOR GRANT?

Book your place on one of four application support workshops designed to help you make a winning application!

Workshop Dates:

- * Thursday, 16 July 2009, 10.30 am – 1.30 pm, this event is for the benefit of VCS groups in the Orthodox Jewish community – the venue will be confirmed
- * Thursday, 30 July 2009, 10.30 am – 1.30pm
- * Tuesday, 11 August 2009, 1.30 pm – 4.30pm
- * Tuesday, 15 September, 10.30 am – 1.30pm

Venue: HCVS, 84 Springfield House, 5 Tyssen Street London E8 2LY

What is the Hackney Funding Programme? Voluntary and community

groups can apply for grants worth a total £2.46 million and you can apply for projects which meet the following:

- * Objective 1 – Reduce poverty by supporting residents into sustainable employment, and promoting employment opportunities.
- * Objective 2 – Help residents to become better qualified and raise educational aspirations. Ensure the educational improvement of Hackney's children and young people is excellent.
- * Objective 3 – Promote health and wellbeing for all and support independent living.
- * Objective 4 - Make the borough



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safer, and help people to feel safe in Hackney.

- * Objective 5 – Promote mixed communities in well-designed neighbourhoods, where people can access high quality, affordable housing.
- * Objective 6 – Be a sustainable community, where all citizens take pride in and take care of Hackney and its environment, for future generations.
- * Objective 7 - To actively engage Hackney residents in volunteering opportunities.

Interested? To book a place contact HCVS on 020 7923 1962 or email info@hcvcs.org.uk

ANIKA PATRICE PROJECT GOES TO THE SEASIDE

The Anika Patrice Project, which supports adults with learning difficulties and their carers, are organising two trips open to everyone who wants a day out of Hackney!

Bournemouth: 25th July
Margate: 22nd August

Both trips will leave Hackney at 9 am and aim to return around 8 pm. For

more information and to book places please call 0207 923 9033.

BRADBURY STREET UNIT TO LET

Unit B12 in the Bradbury Street workspace is currently available (389 sq ft). For more information on this unit and for property enquiries please contact our property team on 02079933640 or property@hced.co.uk.

BUSINESS FOCUS

Occasions Party Supplies - 40 Dalston Lane, E8 3AZ 02072497744

The first thing you notice as you walk in the shop is how full and colourful the store is. Surely there must be everything you could possibly need for a party in here? Owner Kay, who has run the business in Dalston Lane for nine years, smiles and says she can do everything, including cakes. All you need to provide are the guests, it's a true one-stop service. Like many businesses on Dalston Lane, Occasions has suffered from the introduction of the one-way traffic system and the moving of the bus stops. However, D4L have been assisting her in negotiations with the Council and her landlord and now Kay is optimistic about the future. "Cory (Defoe, D4L advisor) has been great", says Kay. "He came along at just the right time and has been a real help as well as a friend to the business." Kay is looking forward to the works being over and has eyes on expanding her premises. She also loves the area, and after nine years is now starting to



see different generations of the same family coming through her door. "The people round here are so friendly" says Kay, "I'd rather close my shop than leave this area!"