

Ms. Selena Carty

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Personal Profile

Selena is a passionate, confident woman who thrives on educating and empowering all people, at all levels. As a strong believer that 'Education for sustainable development allows every human being to acquire knowledge, skills, attitudes and values necessary to shape a sustainable future'. Ms. Carty's specialisms are in British Empirical and Global Colonial Histories since the sixteenth century and Cultural Evolutions throughout time, exploring Wars, Rebellions and Revolutions such as: The American/French/Haitian Revolutions, the wars in Africa, The Americas, Asia and Oceania through to World War I & II, Vietnam and Korean wars; Black Global History (Black British/African/Caribbean/American & Canadian) as well as the period from the Romans – Windrush (World migration and cultural contributions to the British Empire & her Allies)

Selena is a mother of two, elected President of the History Society and Global War History Ambassador, who believes that nurture comes from showing the right examples, not only by following/setting rules and guidelines, but establishing adaptive practices through research, analysis, self and financial management and respect. Ms. Carty's creative and positive mindset allows for once perceived obstacles to become action plans and progressive steps towards achieving what was once considered impossible or challenging, establishing manageable goals, whilst encouraging a deeper sense of purpose within self in our personal and professional environments. As a public speaker Ms. Carty is equipped to present to diverse audiences including heads of states, academic, professional, community and school environments to encourage accessibility to decolonising language and inclusive narratives.

Education

- **BA (Hons) History with Military History – Goldsmiths' University & Kings College London, 2022-2025**
Historical Controversies; Historical Perspectives; Global Connections: The Violence that shaped the modern world; Reading & Writing History; Occupation, Collaboration and Resistance in Europe in the Second World War; Introduction to the History of Medicine; Global History of Medicine; History Work Placement (CWGC); The French Civil War; The Spanish Civil War Politics, The Military and Culture; The Global Cold War.
- **Teaching Sustainability from a Global Perspective – Gothenburg University, 2023**
Considering Education for Sustainable Development (ESD) through a discussion in educational philosophy; Investigating how statistics can tell us about achieving Sustainable Development Goal's (SDG's); Sustainable Energy/Climate; Being Bird and Guided Meditation; Interspecies Education Principles and ESD; Plants and ESD- Botanical Excursion; Trends in Environmental approach to ESD; Technology and ESD.
- **Family History Skills Course – The Society of Genealogists, 2018**
How to get started; Family Sources & Assessing Evidence' Civil Registration Records & the 1939 Register; Census Returns; Parish Registers & Records; Newspapers, Directories & Voting Records; Will & Probate; The Armed Forces & Merchant Navy in the 20th Century; Using UK Archives; Records of the Poor; Non-Anglican Family History; Reading & Using Records successfully
- **Writing Your Family History – The Society of Genealogists, 2018**
Starting out and expanding your family history biography; Developing your writing further & building background material; Publishing, layout and production, reviewing written work and progress.
- **Black & World History: Restoration & Realisation: World History Course, 2009 – 2017**
Beginners & Intermediate Levels with Dr. Onyeka Nubia

Professional Experience

May 2024 – Today

Commonwealth War Graves Commission: Volunteer Tour Guide for Tower Hill Memorial, London

- Organising & facilitating monthly tours specific to the roles the Merchant Fleets have and continue to make for the UK.
- Researching individuals and vessels found on the memorials.
- Connecting with diverse audiences.

February 2023 – Today

Dr Julius Winston Garvey: Marcus Garvey's Family Genealogist, UK/Jamaica/USA/Canada

- Researching the Garvey Name (which is Irish) and their impact on the world.
- Researching and negotiating to identify documents, audio files and more on Marcus Mosiah Garvey.
- I delivered Marcus Garvey's death certificate to his son, who received it for the first time in September 2023 & to Jamaica, who did not have a copy in any institutions in 2024.
- Negotiating with the British Library with digitising audio recordings of Marcus Mosiah Garvey,
- Consolidating reports and information that can be found from researchers world-wide on Marcus Garvey.

September 2020 – May 2024: Selected Projects: Contributing my knowledge, research skills and expertise.

Consultancy & Publications

- **Activision, 2021**
Cultural & Ancestral Consultant - [On the Call of Duty – Vanguard video game](#).
Providing Cultural and Military Historical content to establish the cultural background of their games 1st Black Protagonist, Sir Arthur Kingsley.
- **Southwark Black Parents Forum 2023**
[West Africa & War Cultural Curator](#) - Curating an exhibition and producing a booklet with historical timelines of the African presence in England since the 1700s – Windrush 1948, which was on tour throughout the borough of Southwark.
- **Voices of War & Peace. 2022**
[Beyond Commemoration: Community, Collaboration and Legacies of the First War World](#): Women and War
Producing two historical articles for African American women (Their global presence) who were visible during the first world war and their impact and contributions made within Europe (Including the UK) in 1919.
- **CWGC (Commonwealth War Graves Commission) 2021**
[Special Committee to Review Historical Inequalities in Commemoration](#) - Providing my expertise to produce a report comprised with recommendations that would help shape the future work of inclusive remembrance.

Project Co-ordination

Leading Research on topics and themes that meet the clients' needs.

- **Royal Museums Greenwich, 2023:** Pioneering Women on the world stage. Exploring the roles of Mary Church Terrell, Ida B Wells, Addie Hunton and Amy Ashwood Garvey. All who are documented here in England.
- **Janus Henderson Investors, 2023:** The History and Significance of BlackPoppyRose, Women in World War II & The Legacy of Windrush 75.
- **Ghana Climate Innovation Centre, 2022:** Self-Empowerment Reflection Workshop for Women in Business
- **National Army Museum, 2022:** The Impact and Legacy of World War I on Black, African, West Indian, Caribbean, Pacific Islands, and Indigenous Nations.
- **HMRC, 2022:** Our Ancestors Served, sharing the histories of the Global communities who contributed to wars since the sixteenth century
- **Hibiscus Initiative, 2021 (Women's prisons):** Women at War – Globally; Mothers, Sisters, Wives and more.

Schools

Talks/Presentations/Workshops

- Croydon Supplementary Education Programme – Croydon
- Richard Atkins Primary School – London
- St John's Catholic School – Kent
- Ark All Saints Academy – London
- Judith Kerr Primary School - London
- Mary & St Johns Church of England school - London
- Bevington Primary School - London
- Regina Coeli Catholic Primary School - Croydon
- Mill Strand Integrated Primary School – Northern Ireland
- Elmhurst Junior School - London
- Beecroft Garden Primary School - London
- St Matthews Church of England Primary School – Birmingham

Credits

- **Channel 4 - Queens Who Changed History Series, 2023**
Cultural and Ancestral Consultant – Researched and Filmed presenting Pharaoh/Queen Hatshepsut, highlighting the significance of an African woman in the eighteenth dynasty (1450 – 1480BCE) taking on a male role to stabilise her country, community and nation.
- **ITV: For Crown & Country Series, 2023**
Cultural and Ancestral Military Consultant – Researched and filmed discussing the Roles Black service personnel (World-wide) who played significant roles in both World Wars, for the British Empire.
- **A Shot Entertainment: The Black Panthers of WW2, 2022**
Cultural and Ancestral Military Consultant – Researched and Filmed the history of the 761st Tank Battalion (Black Panthers) in Europe during World War II and their role in liberating the Jewish communities under persecution.
- **Five Fifty-Five: 369th Hell Fighters, 2022**
Cultural and Ancestral Military Consultant - Providing historical clarity on the role of James Reece Europe: 369th Infantry, with the nickname 369th Harlem Hell fighters, African American soldiers who served in World War I.

Conferences and Presentations

- **UK Afrikan Reparations Conference** – All-Party Parliamentary Group for Afrikan Reparations: Racial Justice & Intersectionality- 21st – 22nd October 2023
- **Goldsmiths University**, 2023
- **The Women's Institute (WI)**, 2023 - 2024
- **University of Westminster**, 2022
- **University of Plymouth**, 2018
- **Anglia Ruskin University**, 2016

Educational Resource Pack Development, 2021-2023

Providing historical depth on the contributions made by African, 'Black', West Indian, Caribbean, Pacific Islanders and Indigenous Nations for and against Global Empires/Nations with the following organisations:

- **Ministry Of Defence**
- **National Army Museum**
- **Royal British Legion**
- **British Army**

September 2010 – Now

BlackPoppyRose CIC: 27 Old Gloucester Street, London, WC1N 3AX

Cultural & Ancestral History Consultant

Educational Resource Creator\Teacher\Speaker\Curator; Researching and providing historical depth on the contributions made for the British and Global Empires/Nations by African; Black; Asian; Indigenous; European communities since the sixteenth century with the following organisations:

Ministry Of Defence | National Army Museum | Royal British Legion | British Army | National Maritime Museum | Black Cultural Archives | Narrative Eye | Liberty Hall, Jamaica | Faubourg College, Ghana | And many more

March 2011 – 2016

Narrative Eye: 7 Elizabeth Road, London, N15 5LG

Project Co-ordinator/Manager

Project Management for programmes connected to the UK, USA, West Indies, Caribbean, and Europe based projects. Supporting the publishing of Blackamoors: African in Tudor England, their Presence, Status and Origins by Onyeka Nubia. Securing HLF funding and contributing to; The Empire Needs Men Project 2014 & The Battle of the Somme project 2016 which went on tour throughout the UK.

July 2008 – December 2010

Orange Telecommunications: The Point, 37 North Wharf Road, London, W2 1AG

Personal Assistant (PA) – SRM Sourcing Director

Managing the daily diary, internal and external meetings (inclusive of minute taking and transcribing), organising and booking travel arrangements for the Director of Sourcing. Proving cover for the Vice President and creating a PA support network. Managing a Team of 20 and their travel and work needs. Supporting with Team Building training and social interactions. Maintaining the highest level of data protection and information sensitivity.

Skills

- Strong Communication & Administrative Skills
- Efficiency Optimisation
- Impressive Customer Service Skills
- Positive Attitude and Outlook
- Encompassing High Leadership Perspectives
- Project Co-ordination & Management
- Expansive Analytical & Research Abilities
- Creative and Diverse Curation
- Empowering Facilitator
- Avid Networking
- World Traveller
- Efficient Multi-Tasker
- Finance: Budgeting/Fundraising
- Investigating Data & Statistics

Extra Activities

- Cooking (Making Jamaican Bun and Bulla from scratch)
- Lover of Cheesecakes
- Frequenting the Theatre, World-Wide
- Co-Founder of Black To The Future – Student led initiative at Goldsmith’s University
- BAME Representative of the History Department – Goldsmith’s University, London, England
- President of the History Society – Goldsmiths’ University, London, England
- Member of The Great War in African Association
- Member of The Society of Black Military Studies
- Member of The Royal History Society, London, England
- Member of The Society of Genealogist, London, England
- Member of The Schomburg Centre, Harlem, New York, USA
- Member of Marcus Garvey in Schools, Kingston, Jamaica.
- Director: The Urban Equestrian Academy, Leicester, England
- Founder of BlackPoppyRose & BlackRose of Remembrance, London, England