

27th January 2009 News and Events of Interest - hope everyone is well!

British Science Association Media Fellowships.

Experience first hand how science is reported by spending 3-8 weeks on a summer placement gaining experience working within a media organisation. Come away equipped to communicate your research to the public and your colleagues. Learn to work within the constraints of the media to produce accurate, well informed pieces about developments in science. The Fellowships provide placements working with a national press, broadcast or internet journalist. Applications are now open. See: <http://www.britishtscienceassociation.org/mediafellows> for details on how to apply and eligibility criteria. Deadline for applications 10th March 2009.

Cambridge AWiSE meetings - visit www.camawise.org.uk/meetings to book.

AGM and Networking - Tuesday 10th February

Sparking Ideas - Celebrating International Womens Day and National Science and Engineering Week - Thursday 5th March.

Current Routes to success - Tuesday 12th May - 800 Event.

Annual Conference: Tomorrow's World, Tomorrow's Women

The science, engineering and technology workforce and workplace in 2030

Thursday 12 March 2009, London

9.30 – 16.45 followed by drinks and networking

A dynamic day of future gazing that will be both strategic and inspiring. Special reduced delegate fee for members of GetSETWomen: £40. More information and booking form:

http://www.ukrc4setwomen.org/html/news-and-events/events/?event_id=976

The University of Cambridge Centre for Gender Studies present

In Conversation with Margaret Heffernan

Monday 9th Feb 17:30-19:00 Saltmarsh Rooms, Kings College, ALL WELCOME!

For those women who think "you can have it all", comes this contrarian view from business journalist and former technology CEO Margaret Heffernan. Heffernan interviewed more than 50, mostly female, executives for this book and it delivers some hard truths about the work and lives of women executives. But it's not all gloom and doom! The interviewees offer real solutions to the challenges they face on and off the job, How to increase confidence, build relationships and reputation, create alliances and networks, mentor and be mentored and avoid the "I'll do it myself" trap.

Rotary Club of Cambridge: Visions of the Future Lecture Series - Plastic semiconductors: new science, new technology and new products.

Sir Richard Friend, FRS, FEng, Cavendish Professor of Physics, University of Cambridge.

Monday 16th March 18:00-20:00 Cripps Court, Magalene College. Admission by ticket, £10 each.

Ticket enquiries: 01223 891250 or email victorbugg@waitrose.com

Cambridge Business Lectures

Louise Makin on leading teams in challenging times. 18:00: 4th March, Robinson College.

Louise Makin will talk about how, as CEO of BTG plc, she turned around a sprawling, stodgy, public sector organisation into a focussed pharmaceutical business, in the face of extreme cultural inertia. This talk is free but please register at <http://cli.gs/WzbG08>

<http://www.cambridgebusinesslectures.com/>

Royal Society Awards for Science Communication and Public Engagement - closing 23rd Feb.

Royal Society Kohn Award for Excellence in Engaging the Public with Science -

<http://royalsociety.org/kohnaward>

Nominate yourself or a colleague for this prestigious award for engaging the public with science. Worth £10,000, it rewards UK based early-career scientists or science communicators who have undertaken high-quality public engagement activities which have (or will have) a strategic impact on institutions, organisations and cultures, and whose career and future public engagement activities will benefit from the award.

Royal Society Michael Faraday Prize - the UK's premier award for science -

<http://royalsociety.org/faraday>

Nominate a colleague for the Royal Society Michael Faraday Prize. The award was established by the Royal Society in 1986 and is given annually to the scientist or engineer whose expertise in communicating scientific ideas in lay terms is exemplary. Nominators must show that the nominee has a long-standing record of high quality science communication activities with lay (public) audiences. Normally, preference will be given to a practising scientist or engineer, but other individuals whose primary expertise is in writing, broadcasting or other relevant forms of communication may also be considered.

Preparing for parental leave for women in SET 5th March 2009 at The Bullring, Birmingham

The UKRC is pleased to offer a free one day workshop in The Bullring Conference Centre, Birmingham on 5th March 2009, from 09:30 – 16:30 with lunch and refreshments provided. Places are limited so please book by emailing Jacki Mason on j.mason@ukrc4setwomen.org or ringing on 01274 438910 before 20th February 2009, advising if you have any accessibility or special dietary requirements. We may also be able to assist with reasonable travel costs if needed. The aim of the course is to enable women in SET industries to work happily and safely during their pregnancy, leave the workplace for parental leave with an effective handover and feel prepared and informed about their options to return should they decide to do so.

Google Bursaries for Women wishing to attend the UKUUG's annual Large Installation Systems Administration (LISA) conference in London at the [Park Crescent Conference Centre](#) from 24th to 26th March 2009. This conference is a must-attend event for system and network administrators.

As well as the technical talks, the conference provides a friendly environment for members to meet, learn, and enjoy lively debate on a host of subjects.

We've been lucky enough to be given two bursaries by Google for up to £500 which cover the delegate fees, accommodation and travel for female students/developers to encourage wider participation in a conference which is traditionally dominated by men. As well as being able to attend the conference, the successful applicants will be able to meet Google representatives.

Closing date for applications Wednesday 11th February.

Full details of the bursaries and the conference:

<http://www.ukuug.org/events/spring2009/bursaries/>
