

# Summer '08 update

**Act for Change** – our mission: to inspire attitudes of personal responsibility in secondary school children throughout the country and to enable them to be agents of positive change.

## In this update you will find:

Who's Who in the AFC team and how we work together.

### Our Structure

Board of trustees:

<http://actforchange.org.uk/downloads/Board-of-Trustees.pdf>

Staffing structure:

<http://actforchange.org.uk/downloads/staffing-structure.pdf>

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### Learning and Improving the workshop

Sign up for the next Facilitators' Meeting

### Relationship building & Communication

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### Fundraising effortlessly

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### Extending the Programme

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## Diary Dates 2008

### 03 July – Facilitator's Meeting

19:00 – 22:00, Misan Agencies, 46 Great Titchfield Street, London W1W 7QA

We have extra time for the facilitated workshop. This meeting is for facilitators to exchange their practical methods to make the July workshops run smoothly. AFC will provide some methods to help students imagine the world as they would like it to be, please bring any tools and ideas you find useful. For more details and to confirm your place contact Lea Misan.

### AFC Workshops

The Cressex Community School postponed to next school year.

Hertswood have not yet fixed a date, but intend to.

**17 June – Royal Masonic School, Rickmansworth**

**14 July – St Mary's, Cheshunt**

**16 July – Holy Family School, Walthamstow**

### Fundraising & Awareness

**3pm, 7 September – Classical delights, Cremant Contribution to Community, Long Gallery**

The young Epstein Trio support Act For Change: inspiring school students' social awareness and responsibility.

Box Office 0208-866-4299

Tickets £18 (includes registered charity donation 1119291).

Concessions £10

**Act for Change '08:**  
awakening attitudes of personal responsibility.



**To make our programme available to all secondary schools throughout the country, we are becoming a training and development provider.**

## Goals

- Prepare our current facilitators to be the trainers of an accredited training to 500 facilitators, local to the schools where they will facilitate, by 2012.
- Enable many more schools to benefit from the Act for Change programme, with the support of the experienced AFC team.
- To have the AFC programme recognized nationally as part of the Key Stage 3 Curriculum (secondary school level).

**Our plans are in three Phases:**

**Phase 1**  
Systems Set-Up

**Phase 2**  
Production of the AFC Live interactive web-based resource.  
Pioneer the accredited training programme with our experienced team of facilitators.

**Phase 3**  
Delivery of the Programme to as many schools as possible.

## Programme

- Continue to run the Act for Change programme for 10 schools as an ongoing 'test bed' for our continuous learning and development of resources (methods, materials and tools).
- Build on the success of our 1/2 day programme.

## Extending the programme

- From the first year (Year 7) of secondary school, with AFC activities Year 7-9.

## AFC Live!

- An interactive web-based resource on acts for social & personal change.
- Continue to involve young people in the creation of material for AFC Live! By interviewing & filming interviews of Holocaust Survivors.
- Develop the technical container within which these filmed interviews will become part of an interactive web-based AFC Live! DVD.

## Train and develop Support Teams

- A Survivor, a Lead Facilitator to support local facilitators and an Anchor who holds the event together.
- Anchor Recruitment We intend to recruit 4 Anchors, who will be essential to our AFC support teams. To find out more contact Lea Misan.

## Survivor Forum

- Survivors who currently work with us will entrust the mission of AFC to those preparing to speak for AFC.
- We plan to enroll 8 Survivors of Holocaust and other genocides.

## Train the Trainers

- Provide tools and support required by our existing facilitators to conduct the accredited training for AFC facilitators nationwide.
- Existing AFC Facilitators as session support and quality control for future local facilitator teams.

## Accreditation

- Accreditation with City & Guilds for Facilitator training. To find out more contact Lea Misan.

## Building Relationships

- Build relationships with local partners, schools, extended services & local educational services providers to pilot extended programme, with the support of the experienced AFC Team, materials and accredited training.

## Communication

- We would like your thoughts on how we can improve our internal communication so that you get the information you want and so that you can make sure we understand what you want us to know. Email your thoughts to us at [leamisan@mac.com](mailto:leamisan@mac.com)
- Lambeth Police MLA, see page 3
- Brochure for funders, sponsors and users of AFC
- We will also continue to grow by word of mouth.

## Fundraising

- We are applying for funding wherever we possible. Please let us know about opportunities for funding AFC you hear about?
- So that we can do more schools programmes and filming days.
- 7th September, Awareness Raising Event
- Fundraise for Act for Change while you shop online from your favourite websites. Visit <http://actforchange.org.uk/donations.php>

# In the pipeline for facilitators

The Act for Change team of Anchors and Facilitators will be the guardians of the AFC message, and act as Trainers and Support Teams for local facilitators. We are working to secure for funding so that we all can be prepared to conduct the accredited AFC course with City and Guilds.

## Telephone Tree – including the whole AFC team

We hope to use a Telephone Tree to keep in touch and to exchange information. When documents are sent out we'll make contact to ensure we share a common understanding. To receive a copy of the Telephone Tree, contact Anne-Marie (Anne-Marie@celebrationsensation.co.uk)

## Principles

Here are some Principles for ourselves as we work with one another, but also for young people in our workshops:

- We treat each other with respect
- We do not interrupt one another
- We have the right to pass
- We do not volunteer others
- We speak only for ourselves
- We speak but not too often or for too long
- We challenge the behaviour and not the person
- We respect confidentiality
- It is ok to make mistakes

These principles go a long way towards ensuring emotional safety within the group. To share with us your thoughts about what else is needed contact us.

## Communication

1. Lambeth: Presentation to Secondary Schools on the 20th June. We wrote to about 20 local authorities when we heard about funding for selected London Boroughs for work with young offenders. Lambeth responded

and we are meeting with about 15 secondary school heads on June 20th, telling them what we do and how we intend to develop the AFC programme.

2. Funding for one or two school programmes will possibly come from the Prisoners' Property Fund, Hillingdon, to which we were directed by the local Community Police Consultative Committee.
3. We hope for funding from Awards for All (the Lottery) for workshops and filming, beginning in September. We would be able to work with youth groups as well as schools, and could provide a day workshop for a whole year group and a filming day for several groups of about 20-30 young people.
4. MLA London Learning Links Evening, 1st July 2008  
In February, funded by an MLA Citizenship Placement scheme, Bishop Ramsey students interviewed and filmed 3 survivors. We have been invited to make a presentation of the outcomes of our participation in the scheme at an informal gathering for recent and potential future Learning Links participants.
5. Schools Pack & Evaluation  
We are compiling a Schools Pack to facilitate our work in schools. It will include teacher guidelines, selected case-studies, evaluation and logistical requirements. Any suggestions as to what might usefully be included please forward to Lea Misan.

## People

- **Bev** is leaving London for his beloved Cambodia. He has taken up a job with a French N.G.O. rescuing and rehabilitating children from the municipal dump just outside Phenom Phen. We wish him well and thank him for his contributions to Act for Change over the past two years.

We would like to thank our continuing volunteer and consultative support:

- **Cranfield**
- **David Glassman**
- **Joe Lewis**
- **Antony Gore Marketing**
- **Sharon Maxwell Magnus**
- **Peter Phillips**
- **Bill Upchurch** – we couldn't do filming days without him

And more recently, we are happy to announce that we are in discussion with Pilotlight and Marc Osten of Summit Collaborative about how they can assist us:

- Pilotlight to help us secure operational sustainability through our training activities and explore with us how best to build the relationships required to reach secondary schools across the country.
- Marc Osten – Summit Collaborative, ICT Planning and Development to assist us in developing the objectives, outcomes, performance indicators and systems for AFC Live! and our knowledge sharing website.