

Diversity Pioneers in Girl Guiding/Girl Scouting History

Check out this incredible example of pioneering Girl Scout Troop Leader Josephine Holloway, who campaigned to include African American girls in the Girl Scouting Movement in the 1940s.

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'Josephine Holloway worked to ensure African American girls could be a part of Girls Scouts. After graduating from Fisk University Holloway began working with girls at the Bethlehem Center in Nashville, Tennessee. While working at this center Holloway was able to bring Girl Scout inspired activities to more than 300 girls. She even had the opportunity to attend training by Juliette Gordon Low. Then when Holloway's oldest daughter turned six, in 1933, she applied to start a troop. The Nashville Girl Scout Council would not allow her to start an African American troop, but Holloway did not give up. She continued to fight for her daughters and other African American girls to have an opportunity to join. Then in 1942 Holloway was able to form an official African American Girl Scout troop. Holloway was then hired in 1944 by the Girl Scouts as a field advisor for black troops. During her time in this position Holloway would supervise thousands of African American girls and adults.'

(Photo Credit: Girl Scouts of Middle Tennessee)



Learn more about Josephine Holloway on the Girl Scouts USA blog <http://blog.girlscouts.org/2015/02/honoring-josephine-holloway-during.html>

Diversity in Hollywood and the Media

This month, the issue of diversity reached the global stage at Hollywood's biggest annual awards evening, the Oscars. With controversy surrounding the lack of people of colour up for nomination, some of the world's biggest celebrities boycotted this year's event or used their red carpet status to raise awareness of the 'white-washing' of film and media. The hashtag #OscarsSoWhite saw thousands of followers sharing their views on the importance of demonstrating the strengths of diverse people whose skills and contributions remain unacknowledged.

Watch some of Hollywood's Heavy Weights discuss what diversity means to them:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_yoffk3XdRw

Diversity in Children's Literature

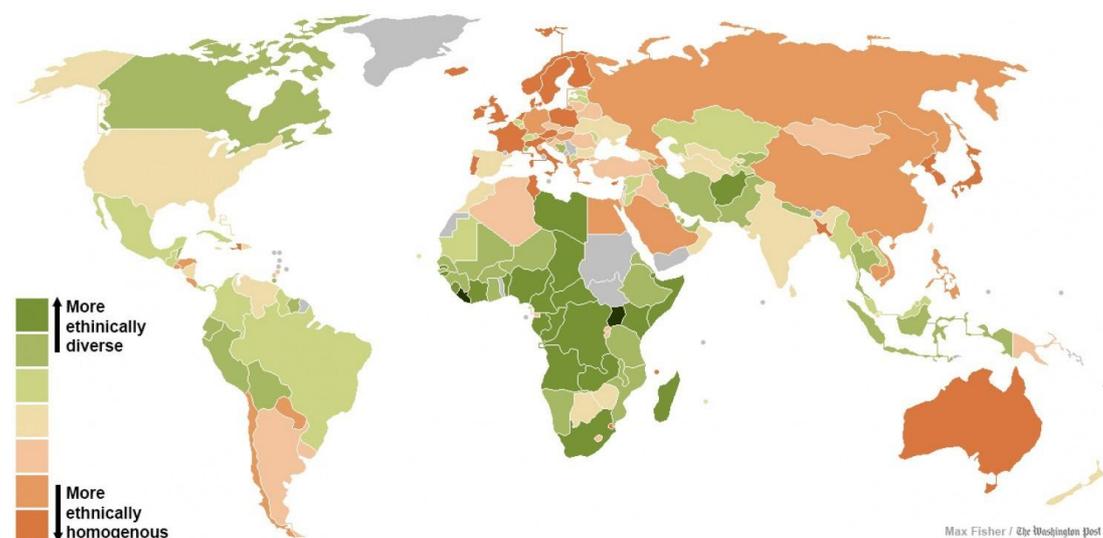
The Guardian Newspaper has put together a list of culturally diverse books for children, compiled by Seven Stories, The National Centre for Children's Books and a series of experts in the UK.

Check out the list here.

<http://www.theguardian.com/childrens-books-site/2014/oct/13/50-best-culturally-diverse-childrens-books>

Mapping Diversity in Countries Around the World

The 2002 study from the Harvard Institute of Economic Research maps ethnic diversity across countries and regions – how did your country fare?



<https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/worldviews/wp/2013/05/16/a-revealing-map-of-the-worlds-most-and-least-ethnically-diverse-countries/>

Diverse Women from Around the World Celebrate IWD 2016

Women around the world celebrated on March 8th in their homes, places of work, political houses and on the streets.

How did you celebrate International Women's Day on March 8th 2016?

https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/morning-mix/wp/2016/03/08/celebrating-international-womens-day-around-the-world/?tid=a_inl