

## WFWP UK Speech Contest Saturday, 14th October 12:30 – 4:00 in London

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For young women in the ball room at 43 Lancaster Gate, London W2 3NA

12:30 pm (Doors open) to 4:00 pm (Closing & Group photo).

### Programme

<i>Doors Open</i>	<i>12:30 pm</i>
<i>MC's Greetings</i>	<i>13:00 pm</i>
<i>Opening Remarks</i>	<i>13:10 pm</i>
<i>Finalists' Speeches</i>	<i>13:20 pm</i>
<i>Refreshments</i>	<i>15:00 pm</i>
<i>Award Ceremony</i>	<i>15:30 pm</i>
<i>Closing</i>	<i>16:00 pm</i>

### Judges

*Mr Timothy Miller*  
*Dr Christina Scharff*  
*Mrs Mitty Tohma*

### Master of Ceremonies

*Ms Sharon Kabubi*

### Finalists in the order of appearance

*Ms Winnie Phillips*  
*Lost generations (first generations), millennials*

*Ms Corina Vlasiu*  
*Challenging social constructs and moral values*

*Ms Fidelia Okandze*  
*Education, youth and resilience*

*Ms Jody Dontje*  
*Shame in women*

*Ms Batool Al-Subeiti*  
*Sexualisation of women in today's society*

*Ms Miku Pancoast*  
*Behind the Curtain:*  
*Does the existence of sexism still pose a threat to female classical musicians?*

*Ms Preet Dev*  
*Daughters of India: Converting liability into asset through empowerment*

The previous WFWP speech contest was held on Saturday 15th October in the Ball Room at Lancaster Gate, London. With nearly 50 people in the audience, seven speakers, and three judges, the room was almost full to capacity. Our judges were Mr. Tim Miller, Rev. Kim Plumpton, Dr. Christina Scharff and the theme for the finalists talk was 'Women making a Difference'

Our finalists were Alicia Grayeb from Cornwall, Neelam Shah from South London, Valentine Nkoyo from Nottingham, Amy Brown from South London, Alice Tseng from Birmingham, Asma Ahmed from East London, and Sharon Kabubi from Cambridge.



After each contestant had finished their speech the judges asked a question relating to their talk and the answer given was also taken into consideration when deciding on a winner. After all the speakers had had their turn and it was time for the judges to go to a separate room to confer, whilst the audience had a chance to stretch their legs, and enjoy refreshments and bites to eat.

All three winners received money prizes and Valentine Nkoyo was also offered the opportunity as winner to speak at the WFPW European Conference in Bratislava, Slovakia in November. To much applause the winners posed with their winners certificates for photographs and there were many smiles and a few happy tears. It must be said that the afternoon was a huge success and once again we congratulate not only the winners but to all the finalists who took part.

