Black History in Britain, 1700-present

Frederick Douglass is just one example of black American civil rights activists who inspire Olaudah Equiano activists in the UK - MLK. Malcolm X, Angela Davis, etc also have a big impact

The creation and expansion of the NHS was made possible by black migrant nurses and doctors

NHS (1948)



Claudia Jones



Race Relations Act (1976)

Stephen Lawrence



Mary Seacole



Key event:

Height of the

Over 10,000 people from the Caribbean volunteered to fight in WW2

The investigation into police handling of Stephen Lawrence's murder found the MET to be institutionally racist

Bristol Bus Boycott (1963)



First Notting Hill

Carnival (1966)

Equality Act (2010)



Black activists continue to fight for greater equality

1700

Ignatius Sancho

1800

British Empire

Frederick Douglass

Key event: Industrial Revolution 1760-1840

1760s - roughly 20,000 black people live in Britain, including about **15.000** in London

The East India Company increased the migration of black and Asian sailors to Britain

Black activism played

a large role in the

abolition of slavery in Britain in 1833

> 1792 - Sierra Leone established as a British colony - many black migrants were resettled here

1775-1783 - black slave soldiers who fought for Britain in the American **Revolutionary War arrived in** London but lived in poverty

Key event: Transatlantic slave trade

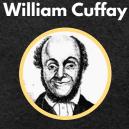
> Forced black migration to Britain occurred through the slave trade

Sarah Forbes Bonetta



John Archer





1939-1945

Key event:

World Wars

1914-1918

Empire Windrush (1948)



Nationality Act (1948)



1950s-60s - huge migration of black Caribbeans, who were instrumental in helping industry and the economy recover after the World Wars

2000

2012 - Theresa May's 'hostile environment' denied the Windrush generation their legal rights

Black Lives Matter Movement (2020)



2021 - roughly 2.4 million black people live in England and Wales

Black MPs represent communities in **Parliament**

