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– 26 MARCH 2017

GRUNWICK 40

We are the

LIONS

An exhibition commemorating the Grunwick strike 1976-78



What you are running is not a factory, it is a zoo. But in a zoo there are many types of animals. Some are monkeys who dance on your fingertips. Others are lions who can bite your head off. We are the lions, Mr Manager.

JAYABEN DESAI, LEADER OF THE GRUNWICK STRIKE

Forty years ago a group of workers in a backstreet Willesden factory stood up to their unfair bosses and kickstarted one of the longest and most important industrial disputes in British history. Led by Asian women, the Grunwick strike challenged stereotypes, changed the face of white, male trade unions, and inspired others to speak out against injustice.

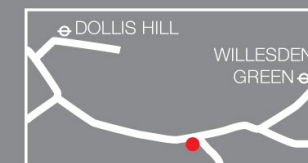
Come and explore a piece of Brent's radical history at this exhibition – based on exclusive archive material and featuring the original strike banner.

Curator and project manager: Poulomi Desai

Exhibition open
Mon-Fri 9am-8pm
Sat-Sun 10am-5pm

Brent Museum & Archives
The Library at Willesden Green
95 High Road
London NW10 2SF

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KEEP LEFT



WE ARE THE LIONS







'We are the Lions' Grunwick 40 - installation with listening post # 2



Left to to right

Martin Rowson live drawing and signed prints distributed at the opening.

Installing the original Grunwick banner from the Peoples Museum, Manchester, painted by the strikers influenced by El Lissitzkys art..

The Grunwick 40 recycled canvas bag distributed at the opening.





SMASH RACISM

RACISM

UNION RECOGNITION

YES

NO

GRUNW

END

SLAVE

25

35

28

The Wild

Bunch

GOVERN

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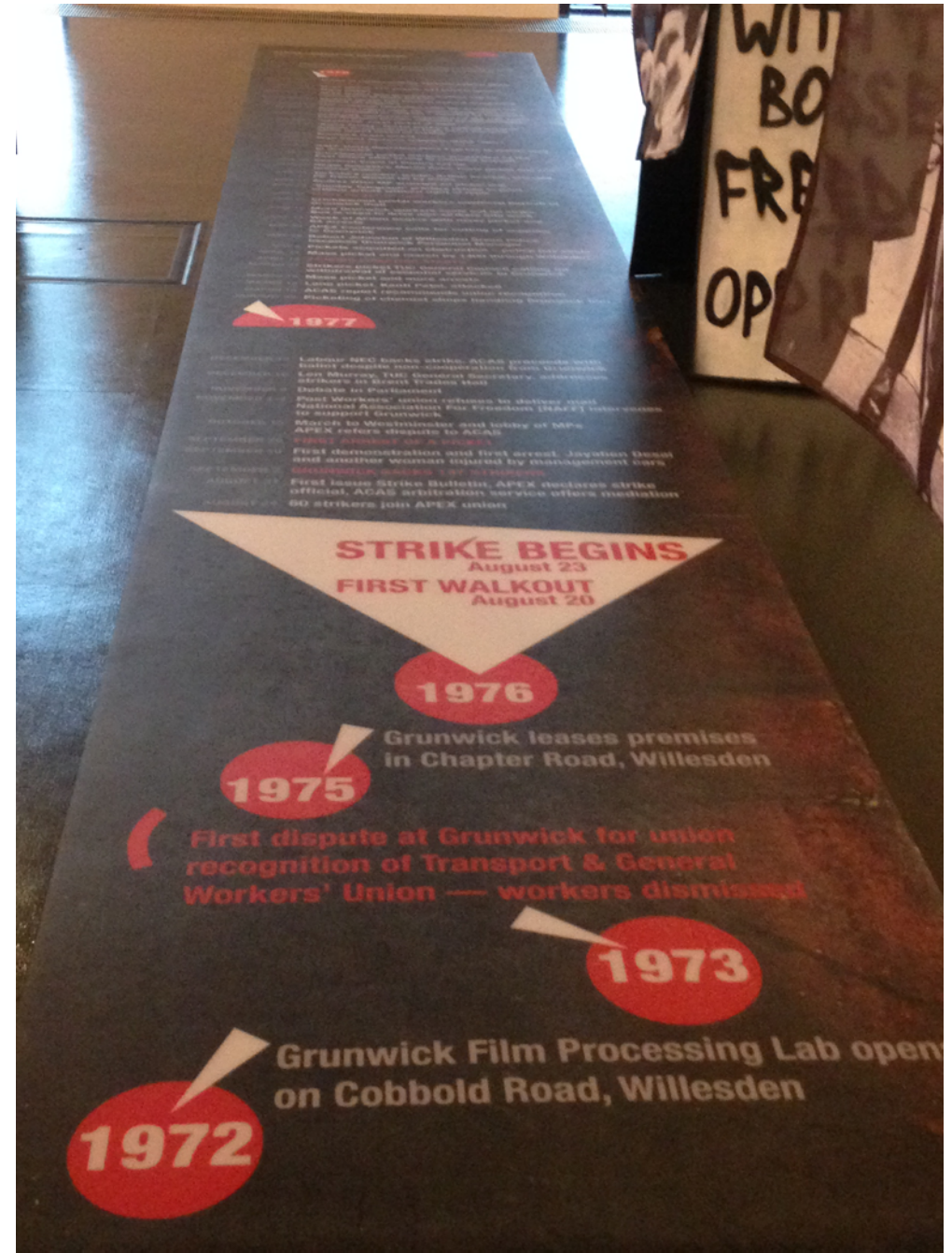
SIMMERING UP

BOILING OVER

RACISM

WE DENY

CONCRETE



'We are the Lions' Grunwick 40 - window decal + street time-line floor



'We are the Lions' Grunwick 40 - poster wall + union banner




'We are the Lions' Grunwick 40 - family + workshop area with screen prints



'We are the Lions' Grunwick 40 - Launch of mural at Willesden Green tube station with some of the strikers

RACE, CLASS AND SOLIDARITY

40 years of migrant workers' struggles





FILM SCREENING:
THE GREAT GRUNWICK STRIKE 1976-78
 FOLLOWED BY A PANEL DISCUSSION

Forty years ago a strike led by Asian women at the Grunwick factory in NW London gave rise to one of the biggest mobilisations in labour movement history. *The Great Grunwick Strike* film tells the story of the inspirational workers who led the dispute and how a predominantly white, male, trade union movement came to support them. With migrants now facing increasingly precarious employment and a rise in post-Brexit racism, our panel will be discussing how we can rebuild that solidarity.

Panel:
AMRIT WILSON (Writer, activist and member of South Asian Solidarity Group)
CONSUELO MORENO (SOAS Justice for Cleaners Campaign)
SUJATA AURORA (Grunwick 40)
 Chair: **PARVATHI RAMAN** (SOAS Centre for Migration and Diaspora Studies)

Weds 2nd November 2016
7pm-9.30pm
 SOAS, Khalili Lecture Theatre
 Lower Ground Floor, Main Building,
 Thornhaugh Street, WC1H 0XG

Organised by Grunwick 40 in association with the SOAS Centre for Migration and Diaspora Studies



Sunday SPECIAL

Whose? The Grunwick strike commemorations are featured in the Times of India today (biggest selling English language daily in the world)

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Poulomi Desai
 Curator

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