Exploring Prejudices and Bias in the Conservatoire: Student Experiences

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Safe Space

- As we are discussing sensitive topics, we kindly ask that you are respectful of each other, other's experiences and other's opinions
- In a bid to make this a safe space, we will not be recording from the introduction onwards. We may take anonymised notes.
- If there is anything or anyone that makes you uncomfortable at any point throughout the workshop, let one of us know.

Rationale, Themes and Methodology

"You cannot enjoy the rhythm and ignore the blues"

Amanda Seales

Methodology

- Mind mapped our own experiences and notions of prejudice and bias that we have encountered in conservatoires whether directly or indirectly
- Aggregated and then reaggregated these into themes
- Selected two we felt were more relevant:
- Diversity in the Curriculum (decolonising curriculum)
- Gender Specialisms (gendered instruments, genres and disciplines)

Overview of the afternoon

14:30 - 15:00	Introduction
15:00 - 15:40	World cafe 1
15:40 - 15:50	Break
15:50 - 16:30	World cafe 2 (swap theme)
16:30 - 16:45	Participant reflection
16:45 - 16:50	Moderator wrap up
16:50 - 17:15	Action plan, self assessment, recommendations
17:15 - 17:30	Q&A and wrap up

Participant Reflection

Questions?

Feedback survey

Dissemination at Congress