



Celebrate Deaf Heritage with ITV SignPost

ITV SignPost is celebrating the UK's first-ever Deaf Heritage Month with a series of features about key figures and events throughout history which have shaped modern D/deaf culture.

Every weekday throughout March www.bsl.tv will feature a different story from a rich history spanning more than 500 years – from the 'deaf utopia' that was Martha's Vineyard to The Conference of Milan and the appointment of the first deaf MEP Adam Koza.

Malcolm Wright, managing director of ITV SignPost added: "We're delighted to support the UK's first official celebration of deaf heritage. ITV has a proud history of promoting diversity and inclusion – our web-based features on www.bsl.tv are ideal for schools wanting to teach all children about D/deaf culture and community.

"Teachers can also use our free Sign-A-Day and FingerSpeller services on the same site, alongside our award-winning storytelling website www.signedstories.com."

As part of the celebrations Devon County Council is publishing DeafDevon, a booklet featuring inspirational biographies from a host of well-known deaf people – including the author Joyce Dunbar, whose book Moonbird features on Signed Stories!

Katherine Weston, Heritage Outreach Officer for Devon County Council said: "It is hoped that Deaf Heritage Month will inspire people to find out more and help foster a better understanding of Deaf culture in the community we share.

The booklet is available at www.devon.gov.uk/record_office

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