

WELCOME TO FUTURE FACES

Future Faces is Greater Birmingham's network for all young professionals.

Powered by the Greater Birmingham Chambers of Commerce it exists to **network**, **develop** and **recognise** young professionals across all sectors.

Whether you're an employer who wants to invest in and retain your young talent, or a young professional yourself wanting to expand your network and enhance your leadership skills, Future Faces is for you.









- We have at least two events per month:
 - 1. Relaxed social networking events where you can introduce yourself to like-minded people, currently online and eventually at the very best venues our region has to offer.
 - 2. Professional development events designed to help members develop their leadership and professional skills (within any sector).
- Members have the opportunity to be mentored by a more experienced Chamber member, or to be a mentor themselves to some of their younger peers.
- Get involved with our fundraising activities throughout the year to give back and support our chosen charity.
- For members that would like to be more hands on, you can join the Future Faces Committee to help raise your profile within the region and develop new skills and responsibilities.
- Our flagship Future Faces Annual Dinner & Awards is Birmingham's only awards dinner to recognise the talent of all young professionals in the city.
- Feature your business news on the Future Faces page in Chamberlink Magazine (readership of over 27,000), on our social media channels or the weekly e-newsletter to members.
- Members can also access offers on the Greater Birmingham Chambers of Commerce Exclusive Member Offers online portal and submit an offer themselves.







Not yet a member?

Not a member? Individual membership is £150 + VAT each and corporate membership discounts are available starting at 5 memberships for £500 + VAT.

Our Patrons

Future Faces is lucky enough to work with the following Patrons:







MILLS & REEVE

Our Patronage package is for businesses looking to connect with, support and grow the young professional business community.

It is our section's top-tier membership package providing an exclusive combination of profile opportunities, access to networks and intelligence and tailored support from the head of the division.

Our Patrons are leaders in their field and play a vital role in enabling our work to develop and celebrate the region's young professionals.

'Mills & Reeve is proud to support an organisation that provides access to invaluable cross sector networking events, compelling professional development opportunities and a chance for our junior lawyers and staff to experience 'beyond legal'. We're confident that involvement with Future Faces is a real differentiator for our people and are delighted to have seen the organisation go from strength to strength over our seven year patronage.'

Mills & Reeve

Future Faces is excellent for young, emerging professionals as it allows the leaders of tomorrow to start building their business network today. As a patron, Deutsche Bank is proud to support this valuable networking initiative. We have seen our staff benefit immensely, both professionally and in terms of their personal development over the years.'

Deutsche Bank

Some Key Stats





90% of our existing members are 'Very Likely' and 'Likely' to recommend Future Faces 100%

100% of members rate their experience of Future Faces as either 'Excellent', 'Good' or 'Satisfactory'.



The competitive Future Faces Awards received hundreds of award entries and were watched by 884 people. The evening reached 3.5 million people on Twitter and Instagram.



Members are from a vast range of sectors Professional, financial and IT Marketing and events Charity and public sector Entrepreneurial and creative Legal Services Manufacturing and construction Leisure and business hospitality





Although missing our real life events, our virtual networking and online webinars have been described as 'brilliant' and 'varied'!

What our members say...

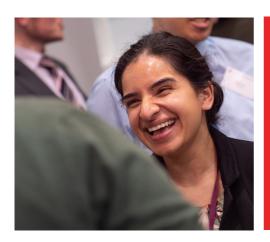
'I have been a Future Faces member for over a year now and it's been an incredible journey from learning new skills to making best friends. I would recommend it to any young professional in Birmingham that wants to broaden their horizons, grow their network or just simply have fun to join'.

Kasim Choudhry, Thinkfest



'I have found Future Faces to be a welcoming, friendly and hugely inspiring network to be part of. The range of events and growing membership mean that there is always something new to learn, new people to meet and it has definitely helped me become a more well-rounded and skilled professional'

Helen Rawnsley, St Mary's Hospice



Networking is one of the most powerful things I've invested in as a floristry business. Future Faces has provided me with much support and brought a number of business opportunities my way, enabling me to network with people I wouldn't have otherwise met. I was table sponsor at the awards dinner in 2018 and this led on to more work and on top of all that I've made some fantastic connections and friends!'

Vanessa Henderson, Floral Jazz

'I love the virtual networking events! being so new to FF I find zoom calling a lot easier and less daunting than face to face networking events'

Future Faces 2020 Survey Response

'The Future Faces programme established my network in the Midlands, developed my business skills and deepened my understanding of British business culture. I gained insights into a range of different business types and professions. The connections I made at the events are already proving useful in further activities.'

Michal Nowinski, Arup



"Future Faces has been an absolute game changer in my career. It has allowed me to develop a brilliant network of young professionals from a range of sectors, take part in impactful CPD and development which I have been able to take back to my office and implement. Most of all it has allowed me to be part of a collective voice in Birmingham, a voice which is full of positivity, ambition and the future leaders of our city. Winning the Future Face of Public Sector and Education has been a highlight in my career and I am looking forward to supporting the network in the future."

Sapreena Kumari, Aston University



'Being a FF Member has opened up a lot of doors for me and my business. I have had the opportunity to grow my professional network, learn and develop as an individual, gain exposure and win more business'.

Edwin Ladd, Mr Ladd Media

'Future Faces recognises that skills, expertise and talent aren't ageist and that quite often, the best way to develop is to listen to and learn from your peers. It's great to be part of a group which celebrates the successes of the many talented individuals across every sector in Greater Birmingham in a fun, informal and/or educational environment.'

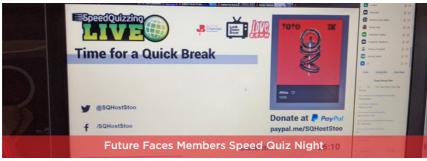
Freddie Jacks, Anster

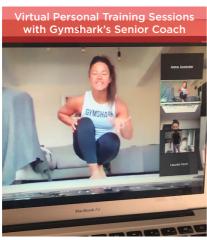
'I think the virtual events are good as I find they are a good opportunity to fit around what I do for work.

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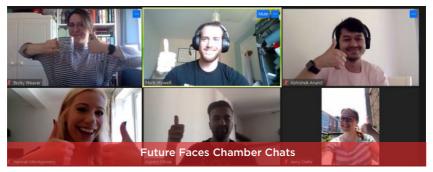


Networking socials











100% of members who attended the virtual Future Faces awards found it

'excellent' or 'good'

Professional development events

















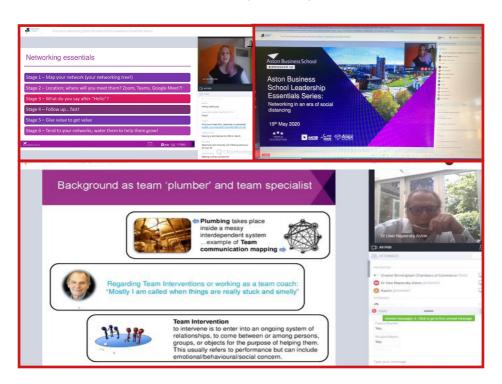


Aston University's MBA Taster Event Series

Our exclusive Aston University's MBA Taster Event Series gave Future Faces and Greater Birmingham Chambers of Commece members access to content and theory from Aston Business School's acclaimed MBA course. This event series was taken online this year and is certified from Aston Business School and covered a variety of topics including:

- Managing Underperforming Employees
- Professional Ethics
- Finance
- · Behavioural Economics
- Harnessing Creativity
- Modern Business Strategy

This event series recieved over 100+ delegates throughout!



Future Faces Annual Dinner and Awards 2020

For the first time ever, Future Faces took its Annual Awards Celebration online! A flagship event with 800+ streams which was headline sponsored by Aston University and Finpoint.

This year's awards were expanded to represent the diverse wealth of talent in the Greater Birmingham region and the award categories include:

- Future Faces Apprentice of the Year
- The Future Face of Arts and Culture
- The Future Face of Charity and Social Enterprise
- The Future Face of Entrepreneurship
- The Future Face of Finance
- The Future Face of Industry
- The Future Face of Legal
- The Future Face of Public Sector and Education
- The Future Face of Sales, Marketing and Communications
- The Future Face of Technology and Innovation

This year's awards received a record number of entries and were judged independently by a panel consisting of Anjum Khan (Director of the Asian Business Chamber of Commerce), Daniel Alcorn (Co-Director and Founder of Birmingham Design Festival and 2019 Future Face of Greater Birmingham), Justice Williams (Founder of Behind Her Dreams), Louise Teboul (Operations Director at Common Purpose UK), Mark Smith (Executive Director of Business Engagement at Aston University), Nathan Dennis (Consultant and Trainer at Legacy Consultants) and Saira Demmer (CEO at SF Recruitment).

Sponsors of the evening included; Aston University, Andalucía Tourism Board, Birmingham & Solihull Training Provider Network, Common Purpose, Elonex, Finpoint Limited, Inspired Energy, Office Angels, Open College Network West Midlands, RSM, SCC, Schofield & Associates and Wesleyan.

The overall winner, Future Face of Greater Birmingham received a fully-funded Executive MBA scholarship from Aston University and the winner of the Future Faces Ambassador award received a place on their streetwise MBA programme.





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Annual Awards Winners



Future Faces Apprentice of the Year Taylor Rooke Updates Media



Future Face of Arts & Culture Casey Bailey Baileys Raps and Poetry



Future Face of Charity & Social Enterprise Shani Dhanda Asian Woman Festival



Future Face of Entrepreneurship Kasim Choudhry Thinkfest Limited



Future Face of Finance Joanna Drinkwater Grant McKnight



Future Face of Industry Michal Nowinski Arup



Future Face of Legal James Farmer Cornwall Street Barristers



Education
Dr Islam Issa
Birmingham City University



Future Face of Sales, Marketing & Communications
Daniel Nikolla
Hardy Signs



Future Faces of Technology & Innovation Tom Goodman University of Birmingham



Award
Edwin Ladd
Mr Ladd Media



Future Face of Greater Birmingham 2020 Shani Dhanda Asian Woman Festival

Added extras in 2020









We also partnered with the following organisations to offer members exclusive discounts and promotions:























Committee Members

The Future Faces Executive Committee is derived from the Future Faces membership and consists of member representatives that have a variety of skills and drive to contribute to the Future Faces agenda.

Future Faces Committee members are appointed through a member vote. They meet once a month to review the activities of Future Faces as well as plan for upcoming events, initiatives and activities. They also select the President's Charity which is supported from April to March; the year's charity is Jericho Foundation.

As a legally constituted section of the Greater Birmingham Chambers of Commerce, the Future Faces President represents Future Faces on Chamber Council which comprises of ten section representatives and nineteen elected members chaired by Chamber President Steve Allen.

























Your Future Faces Team:







Thank you!

Future Faces would like to thank all its members, partners, supporters and sponsors for helping to make 2020 such a success.

We would also like to especially thank our Patrons:







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