

IN THE NEWS – BLACK HISTORY MONTH



Royal Mail has designated October 2020 as Black History Month. Four postboxes, one each in London, Glasgow, Cardiff and London, have been painted black with a gold trim. These “socially media activated” postboxes will feature a figure of significance to the British black community who has appeared on a GB commemorative postage stamp. Each postbox has a QR, which, when scanned, will provide names of black Britons featured on a stamp. (See [www.royalmailgroup.com](http://www.royalmailgroup.com) ).



London’s postbox is in Acre Lane, Brixton, near the Black Culture Archives. The stamp “Queuing at the R.A.” was designed by Yinka Shonibare CBE RA, a British Nigerian whose work explores cultural identity through the media of painting sculpture, photography & film.



BELOW: Glasgow’s postbox in Byres Road shows 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt Walter Tull, first mixed-race officer, killed in action 1918.

