

# Celebrating a heritage hero, Uzo Iwobi OBE

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One of the UK's most inspiring women in heritage, Professor Uzo Iwobi OBE, shares her thoughts on heritage and the women who support the sector.

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Swansea resident Uzo Iwobi has provided an outstanding contribution to heritage in her 30 years living in Wales. Among her many achievements, Uzo founded two charities: Race Council Cymru and the African Community Centre. She is the Specialists Advisor for Equality to the Welsh Government, and she is a professor at the University of Wales Trinity Saint David.

She was selected by The National Lottery Heritage Fund earlier this year as one of [eight 'heritage heroes' whose photographs were projected onto Stonehenge](#) in recognition of their incredible hard work and efforts to support heritage during the pandemic.

In this video, Uzo talks about her work in the heritage sector and why she thinks it's important that we preserve and celebrate our heritage. She also shares her journey from Nigeria to Wales and her reaction to being selected as a heritage hero.

To mark International Women's Day, Uzo discusses why she feels it's important that women are a part of the heritage sector, and shares a selection of women working in the sector who are most inspiring to her.

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