

Khakan Qureshi

OVERVIEW



Khakan is a passionate, dedicated leader with 20 years experience of working within social care and working with homeless people. He is a writer, speaker and activist who is committed about diversifying the LGBT+ narrative.

Khakan is striving to change the mindsets of individuals who carry archaic attitudes. He hopes for a culture within organisations, which will diversify and be reflective of the communities in which they serve and accept equality for all. Currently a Stonewall LGBT School Role Model and Diversity Role Model, which enables Khakan to share his personal experience as an individual who has an intersectional identity within academic institutions.

HIGHLIGHTS

As an “expert by experience” and “critical friend”, he has engaged in public speaking events as an independent consultant who has addressed diversity matters within small organisations and large hierarchal corporations across the UK.

- ❖ Khakan is the Founder of Birmingham South Asians LGBT - Finding A Voice, an independent, voluntary led organisation. He was also invited to the LGBT+ Community Reception at 10 Downing Street.
- ❖ Khakan co-ordinated the 1st South Asian LGBTI Conference at the QE Hospital.
- ❖ Khakan has written for several digital magazines including Attitude, Gay Star News and Gay Times, as well as reviews for Asian Culture Vulture, an online magazine focusing on South Asian Performing Arts.
- ❖ Khakan was also shortlisted for the Positive Role Model LGBT Award at the National Diversity Awards 2018, shortlisted for the Campaigner of the Year at the European Diversity Awards 2016 and listed at No.35 on The Independent Rainbow List 2015.