

SOPHIE

But while, to the Commonwealth immigrant, entry to this country was admission to privileges and opportunities eagerly sought, the existing population found themselves made strangers in their own country.

LOU

They found their wives unable to obtain hospital beds in childbirth, their children unable to obtain school places, their homes and neighbourhoods changed beyond recognition, their plans and prospects for the future defeated; they began to hear, as time went by, more and more voices which told them that they were now the unwanted.

GRAHAM

My name is Graham Campbell. I came to the UK as a Commonwealth immigrant from Jamaica in 1969. We've all been reading from Enoch Powell's 'Rivers of Blood' speech, which was delivered at a Conservative Party meeting in April 1968.

*walks over to his guitar*

MICHAEL

My name is Michael Abubakar. My father Ali Abubakar came to this country as an immigrant in 1958. From Zanzibar.

*walks over to his keyboard*

NEIL

My name is Neil Stewart. My sister was Roby Stewart, who had two children, my nieces, with Harry Prendergast. I was born in Glasgow in 1955.

*walks over to his drums*

SOPHIE

My name is Sophie Prendergast. I'm the first-born child of Neil's sister Roby Stewart and Harry Prendergast, who was a Jamaican immigrant.

*walks over to the car*

LOU (*as she is walking over to the car*)

My name is Lou Prendergast. I am the sister of Sophie and the niece of Neil. I came to Scotland from London in 1968 when our parents, Harry and Roby, moved their young family to Glasgow ... the same month and year that Enoch Powell made his speech in response to the American race riots sparked by the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King.

*SFX Musicians strike up a quiet ska rhythm to underline narration*

Harry Prendergast began life as a country boy

Born in Spanish Town, Jamaica

In 1938, perhaps,

Black mum, white dad, an Irish soldier I've been told.