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# festival guide



10 year anniversary

# TOOWOOMBA Languages & Cultures FESTIVAL 2015

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### Message from the Minister



I offer my warm congratulations to the Toowoomba International Multicultural Society Inc. for organising the 10th Toowoomba Languages and Culture Festival—a wonderful community-led celebration that showcases the region's rich cultural and language diversity.

I acknowledge all who have contributed to the festival's ongoing success. Each year the festival gets bigger and better and it is now a highlight of Toowoomba's social and cultural calendar.

The festival theme 'One World Many Faces' highlights the common values that unite all of us as Queenslanders, irrespective of cultural background.

Queensland has always drawn strength from the rich cultures and traditions of people from all around the world who now call our great state home.

The Palaszczuk Government is committed to promoting, celebrating and valuing the social, cultural and economic benefits a multicultural society delivers to all Queenslanders.

As Minister for Multicultural Affairs, I will continue to work with the community to ensure that Queensland is a place where everyone can prosper and where there is a strong sense of belonging for people of all cultural backgrounds and faiths.

**Shannon Fentiman MP**  
Minister for Communities, Women and Youth  
Minister for Child Safety  
Minister for Multicultural Affairs

### Message from the Mayor



Welcome to the 2015 Toowoomba Languages and Cultures Festival - a fantastic celebration of the Toowoomba region's diversity. Toowoomba Regional Council is committed to broadening the community's understanding of that diversity, and therefore, we're very proud to again support this year's festival.

Our region has been enriched by the contribution and talents of people from all corners of the world for decades, and each year, we are pleased to welcome new residents to add to the diverse tapestry of cultures that make up the Toowoomba region.

In fact, the broader Toowoomba area is one of the most culturally diverse Regions in Queensland with an estimated 10% of our residents born overseas, representing at least 123 different nationalities and ethnic groups. The region is also the third largest refugee settlement area in Queensland, and we are proud to be a Refugee Welcome Zone. Sharing our stories and culture is a remarkable way to nurture tolerance, respect and understanding in our community. The festival provides that opportunity in a wonderful way, with its mix of delicious food, vibrant music, dancing, cultural activities and information stalls.

I thank Gitie House and the Toowoomba International Multicultural Society for their hard work and commitment in once again bringing together an impressive and community-driven event, promoting peace, harmony, goodwill and a day of family fun. Enjoy all the 2015 Toowoomba Languages and Cultures Festival has to offer!

**Mayor Paul Antonio**

### Message from the Chair



A warmest welcome to all from The Toowoomba Languages and Cultures Festival Committees and the Toowoomba International Multicultural Society. We'd like to express our gratitude to all the people of Toowoomba and beyond who have supported the Festival and enabled it to become a premiere event of the region.

The festival is renowned for building bonds, breaking barriers and increasing understanding as people from diverse backgrounds hailing from all continents come together to share their cultures through food, music, performances, languages, healing therapies, arts and crafts. Numerous careers have been launched as emerging talents take their skills to a professional level. The festival is a testimony to the wonderful spirit of the Toowoomba people who strive to make all feel welcome creating a place of peace and harmony.

We are very grateful to the hundreds of volunteers, community groups, organisations, services and businesses who have partnered with us over the years to make this festival a success. Our deepest appreciation to our organising partners and sponsors whose help and support make this Festival possible. Each year more groups join the festival, some new, some established, each contributing their best to be part of a bigger, more colourful and exciting whole.

Congratulations Toowoomba - may we all continue to work towards building a strong, dynamic and harmonious community.

**Gitie House**  
Chair, TLC Festival  
President, TIMS

### Message from MLTAQ DD (Modern Language Teachers Association of Qld, Darling Downs Branch)



We would like to extend a hearty congratulations to the Toowoomba Languages and Cultures Festival on its 10th year Anniversary. MLTAQ is a founder member of the festival.

There are six major languages learnt in our region and over a thousand students from thirty-eight schools have shown their great language skills they have learnt, by giving their own language lessons, performing plays, songs and dances. Thank you to all the teachers who go above and beyond their already hectic working days, and also to the supportive parents helping their children to be involved each year.

Best wishes to all those involved this year for a magic TLC 2015!

**Cecily Bisshop**  
President  
MLTAQ DDBranch

### Message the University of Southern Queensland



The University of Southern Queensland is a vibrant regional institution with over 28,000 students enrolled in our programs throughout Australia and overseas. We have a long-standing commitment to our region's cultural diversity. From the traditional Indigenous landowners to our many new arrivals from overseas, we have all benefited from our differences in background, culture and experience.

Let's continue together to celebrate, the richness and vibrancy of our cultural and ethnic heritages and allow those experiences to resonate through all of us. Through our understandings of others we can promote research, learning, and knowledge in support of peace, friendship and acceptance.

I am proud that USQ is part of the Festival which brings together local organisations to foster community harmony, tolerance and accord.

**Professor Jan Thomas,**  
Vice-Chancellor and President  
University of Southern Queensland

### Message from Centacare



Centacare Toowoomba is extremely proud to support the Festival in its 10th anniversary year. The festival is a wonderful event that has grown considerably over the years and is a testament to the rich cultural diversity across our region. It represents the strong community spirit that makes Toowoomba a place where people of all cultures are welcomed and embraced. Congratulations to all the organisations, community groups, staff, volunteers and members of the community who continue to commit themselves to this magnificent display of harmony and solidarity.

**Geoff Argus**  
Director, Centacare

## PEACE STAGE

TIME	PERFORMANCE
10.00am	Bangladesh Folk Songs
10.15am	Nritta Anjali - Nadananjali School of Dance
10.20am	Raqs Araby
10.40am	Women In Harmony Choir
11.00am	National Anthem  Indian National song - Vande Mataram - Bollywood Belles, Ghungroo group  Smoking ceremony - Kooma Didgeree dance group  Welcome to Country  Welcome by Chair  Mayoral Greeting  Minister's Greeting  Feature Performances: - Bharatnatyam Shamani Nair Indian - Folk Dances - Bollywood Belles - Nagada Sang Dhol - Ghungroo group - Rangeelo - Aussie group  Bharatnatyam - Shamani Nair
12noon	Dance Masala - 1
12.10pm	Kooma Didgeree Dance Group
12.30pm	Te Whanau Tautoko Kapa Haka - Maori Group
12.50pm	Masskara - Oakey Filipino Dance Group Binslakan - Toowoomba Filipino Group
1.00pm	OzIndia - Fusion music
1.20pm	Caledonian Pipe Band March & stage
1.50pm	Bharatnatyam - Shamani Nair
2.00pm	Solomon Island Dancers-1
2.20pm	Brisbane Babas Band (Bollywood & Bhangra)  USQ Dancers  Dholi Taro - CAS group  Bhangra group Ghungroo group Workshop & Public celebration dance
3.15pm	Traditional Hula - Oakey Cook Islands Group
3.40pm	Dotbai Dancing Group

**T12 CRICKET MATCH**  
INDIA vs USQ XI  
12.30 - Godsall St Oval

### BAND STAND

10.30 - 11.00 African Drumming - Harristown State School

12.30 - 1.30 Toowoomba Municipal Band

### MARTIAL ARTS DEMOS - DEMO AREA 1

**Bun Bu Ryo Do - USQ Martial Arts** - Jujutsu, Kendo, Jodo, Iaido and Koryu Iaijutsu, Naginata jutsu, Karate, (Japan), Arnis (Philippines), Systema (Russia), Kung Fu and Sanda (China),

Japanese game of GO

Glencoe Medieval Re-enactment; Pioneer Village

## HARMONY STAGE

TIME	PERFORMANCE
10.00	Everdance Studio
10.30	Indonesian acts & songs - Glenvale State School Shang Ke Le! - Chinese Rap - Gabbinbar State School Indonesian acts & songs - Newtown State School
10.45am	Bangla dances - Bangladesh Children's Group
11.00am	Mayoral Greeting - Peace Stage
12.10pm	German songs - Concordia Lutheran College Indonesian Dance and bamboo instruments - Darling Hts School Indonesian songs - Bunkers Hill State School
12.40	Why We Love Languages - schools
12.50pm	Mayhem Dance Academy
1.10pm	Dance Masala - 2
1.20pm	Kizuna Taiko Drummers
1.40pm	Bollywood Dance - Harristown State School
1.50pm	Sri Lankan Dancers - country dance
1.55pm	Bernadette's Highland Dancing Studio
2.20pm	Why We Love Languages
2.30pm	FAD Cheer and Dance
3.15pm	T12 Cricket Medal Presentation - USQ Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Students & Communities); - Honorary Indian Consul for Qld
3.40	Lucky Draw - Telstra iPad
3.40pm	Solomon Island Dancers - 2

### USQ MARQUEE

Information for future students • Bi-lingual storytelling • Artsworx display • English language program • Study abroad • Games and activities

### ACTIVITIES MARQUEE

Telstra iPad Lucky Draw; Kangagang - Bush Instruments workshop, Language lessons, Storytelling

### HEALTH MARQUEE

36 mainstream and alternative therapies Talk to professionals. Free diagnosis, samples, trial products.

### EXHIBITION LANE

Indian Arts Display, Refugee Photographic Exhibition

Camel Rides, Amusement Rides, Animal Farm, Reptile Display

### CHILDREN'S LANGUAGE ACTIVITIES

Mini lessons. German Kuhglocken, Japanese Kites, Mardigras masks, Eiffel Tower, Hachimaki bands, Congkalak shell game, International quilts; Henna hands, Esperanto, French, German, Indonesian and more.

### ROAMING ACTS:

• Women In Harmony Choir  
• Casey Turnbull  
• Drumdance Bellydance  
• Children's performances



## GOODWILL STAGE

TIME	PERFORMANCE
10.00am	Sri Lankan Dancers - Pooja dance
10.15am	Drumdance Bellydance
10.25am	Casey Turnbull Digeridoo
10.30am	Just Rock - Rock and Roll
11.00am	Mayoral Speech on Peace stage
12noon	Exercise Demo - Falun Dafa Group
12.15pm	Irish Traditional Music
12.45pm	Bharatnatyam Workshop - Amutha Kandasamy
1.05pm	Dancing Stars Studio
1.45pm	Tai Ji - U3A
2.00pm	Dance Masala Workshop
2.10pm	Te Whanau Tautoko Kapa Haka - Maori Group
2.30pm	Indian cultural dance
2.45pm	Nepalese Music
3.00pm	Afghan Dancers