

**WESTERN  
AUSTRALIA**



**CULTURAL  
EDUCATION  
PROGRAMS  
2020**

# Welcome to 2020



*Cultural Infusion launches 'Mungo Explorer' with special guests including Prof. Jim Bowler, 2019*

Cultural Infusion is Australia's leading culture-in-education provider, founded in 2003 to promote intercultural harmony throughout Australia and worldwide. Our artist-led and designed programs give students meaningful and experiential connection to our diverse cultural communities reaching students of all ages. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander voices, perspectives and histories are being increasingly centered across curriculum areas. Our partners of 18 years and Australia's leaders in Aboriginal cultural education 'Western Creation' have expanded their incursion offerings from Early Years to Year 12 in response to the ongoing need for students to expand their understanding of the deep history and contemporary identities of Australia's First Peoples.

To support this work we have just launched 'Mungo Explorer' where students learn about the deep history of Lake Mungo from scientific and cultural perspectives through a dynamic digital platform.

We thank you for your ongoing support!



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# Cultural Infusion Culture Education Program

Cultural Infusion brings culturally diverse artists to schools, early learning centers, libraries and more around Australia. We cater to all metropolitan areas and keep our programs accessible to regional areas through tours and cluster bookings.

Our programs for primary and secondary students are tailored by experienced presenters to suit the age and ability levels of each group they work with. We are flexible and consultative, the program structure and content can be adapted to the specific needs of your organisation, group or event.






In addition to the program fees stated in this brochure, a travel fee may be charged to schools located outside the metropolitan area to cover additional accommodation and transportation costs.



Programs can run for less than the minimum student numbers, however the minimum fee will usually still apply. You are encouraged to combine with other schools in your area in order to boost your numbers. Feel free to call us, and we will endeavour to assist, or to tailor programs to suit your needs, group or event.

## Programs details

 Program/Duration	 Price	 Number of Students
50 minutes	\$6 + GST ( <i>per student</i> )	250 maximum
Multicultural Half-Day Program	\$13 + GST ( <i>per student</i> )	300 maximum
Multicultural All-Day Program	\$13 + GST ( <i>per student</i> )	400 maximum
Specialist All-Day Program	\$15 + GST ( <i>per student</i> )	250 maximum

### HOW TO BOOK

Call our toll free number **1800 010 069**

Email us at [info@culturalinfusion.org.au](mailto:info@culturalinfusion.org.au)

View all programs at [www.culturalinfusion.org.au](http://www.culturalinfusion.org.au)

## Connecting To your Curriculum

Our school programs are a fantastic way to celebrate the diversity of your school community and cater to a range of curriculum areas. If you want to have a cultural presenter cover a specific topic or have any other curriculum related request please call our staff to discuss!

## General Capabilities

**Intercultural Understanding** - Empathise with others as well as recognise and value diverse cultures through engagement with various identities, languages and beliefs.

## Cross-curriculum priorities:

**Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander histories and cultures** – Across subject areas, students engage in reconciliation, respect and recognition of the world's oldest living cultures.

**Asia and Australia's engagement with Asia** - Recognise the diversity within and between the countries of the Asia region. Gain understanding of Asian societies, cultures, beliefs and environments and explore the connections between the people of Asia, Australia and the world.

## F-10 Learning areas/Subjects:

**The Arts** - Reflect on accepted perspectives, sounds, movements, beliefs and practices in their own culture and those of others through engagement with culturally diverse art forms.

**Languages** - Language learning provides students with an in-depth exploration of a people and culture. They can understand how communication works between and across cultures.

**Geography, History and HASS** - Learning about the lives, places, values and beliefs of another culture contributes to the growth of knowledge surrounding cultural diversity.

## School Celebrations:

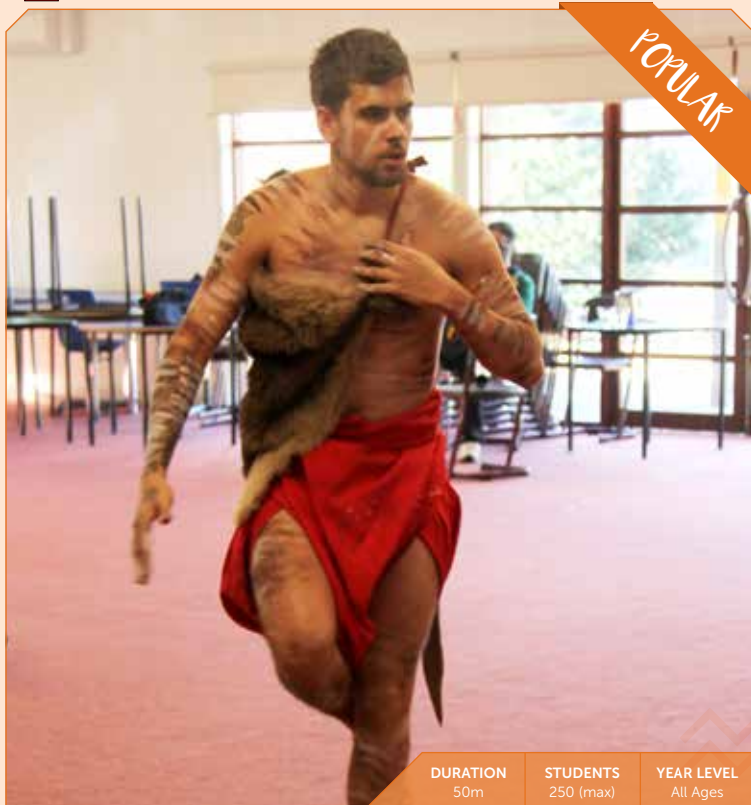
Cultural Infusion's programs are perfect for Cultural Diversity Week, Harmony Day, Language Days and NAIDOC Week. Or use an incursion to bring colour and variety to your end-of-term activities, graduation celebrations or school fetes.

# Cultural Events Calendar

JAN	24-30	Lunar New Year/Spring Festival (International)
FEBRUARY	1-7	World Interfaith Harmony Week (International, UN)
	6	Waitangi Day (Aotearoa, New Zealand)
	8	Lantern Festival (China)
MARCH	21	International Mother Language Day
	6	Independence Day (Ghana)
	9-10	Holi Festival (India)
	20	Norouz New Year (Iran, Kurd)
	21	Harmony Day (Australia)
APRIL	25	Hari Raya Nyepi Day of Silence (Balinese New Year)
	1	Kha b-Nisan (Assyrian New Year)
	12	Easter Sunday (International)
	18	National Day (Zimbabwe)
	19	Orthodox Easter (International)
	23	Ramadan Begins (International)
MAY	5	Children's Day (Japan)
	23	Eid al Fitr Festival and End of Ramadan (International)
	25	Africa Day (International)
	27 to 3 Jun	National Reconciliation Week (Australia)
JUNE	17 to 23	Refugee Week (Australia)
JULY	7 to 14	NAIDOC Week (Australia)
	14	Bastille Day (France)
	18	Nelson Mandela Day (International)
AUGUST	4	National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Children's Day (Aus.)
	9	International Day of the World's Indigenous People (International)
	13 to 15	Obon (Japan)
	17	Indonesian Independence Day (Indonesia)
SEP	12	Krishna Janmashtami (International, Hindu)
	16	Independence Day (Mexico)
OCT	1	Mid-Autumn Moon Festival (International, East Asia)
NOV	3	Culture Day (Japan)
	14	Diwali (International, Hindu)
DEC	25	Christmas Day (International)
	31	New Year's Eve (International)



POPULAR



DURATION  
50m

STUDENTS  
250 (max)

YEAR LEVEL  
All Ages

## Indigenous Infusion with Josh Kelly

Multi-talented cultural educator Josh Kelly presents this introduction to First Nations cultures and his Noongar heritage. Josh is the nephew of Alan Harris or 'Big Al' who founded Western Creation and will lead their education work in Perth and surrounds. The program is tailored for each booking to suit the year level and curriculum focus. Josh presents on dance, symbolic art, Dreaming stories, Didgeridoo, language, history and identity. For larger groups, multiple dancers, musicians and presenters may be available.

*"Fantastic performance! The children were entranced for the entire time. Thank you."*

- JACKIE, JARRAHDAL PRIMARY SCHOOL, WA -

**For more information on Western Creation Incursions:**

Contact us at: [info@culturalinfusion.org.au](mailto:info@culturalinfusion.org.au)

Indigenous / Various

### Kinder Dreaming with Josh Kelly

Josh presents this introduction to Aboriginal Cultures and his Noongar heritage especially for young learners. Josh plays the didgeridoo and gives an introduction and history about the instrument. Students will be up and dancing during the program as Josh teaches different animal moves like the Emu and Kangaroo.



<b>DURATION</b> 30m	<b>STUDENTS</b> 30 (max)	<b>YEAR LEVEL</b> Kinder
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*"We would be happy to have Josh back again."*  
BLUE GUM EARLY LEARNING CENTRE, WA

West Africa / Music

### Rhythms and Instruments of West Africa

In this high-energy program students will be dancing traditional and contemporary styles of West Africa accompanied by music from Senegal, Ghana and Guinea. Students will learn the stories and cultural significance behind the moves and songs, 'call and response' singing and some percussion.



<b>DURATION</b> 50m	<b>STUDENTS</b> 250 (max)	<b>YEAR LEVEL</b> All Ages
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West Africa / Music

### West African Dance and Music

The musical cultures of West Africa are explored through rhythms and dances from Ghana, Guinea and Senegal. Students will be introduced to a range of instruments such as the djembe, dun dun drums, shekere, talking drum, balafon with a strong focus on dance! Students will be dancing to the rhythms of drums and other African percussion instruments.



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Brazil / Martial Arts

### Cool Capoeira

The Afro-Brazilian art form Capoeira is part game, part martial art and part dance. The Berimbau, originally an African instrument, is at the heart of Capoeira and is used throughout the presentation to determine the speed and style of the physical performance. This vibrant program is presented by five time world champion Paulo Dias or "Mestre Goioere".



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## MultiCultural All-Day (3 to 5 programs)

This program allows a choice of **three** or **five** programs. You can choose to explore one culture, language or topic in depth or travel the world with a program from each continent! Students split into two groups and rotate between 25 minute sessions then come together to finish and celebrate the day together in a 50 minute session.

***"Absolutely amazing incursions today, our students were so engaged, had an amazing time and we were able to link it within our units of work. I would recommend it strongly to other educators!"***

- MICHAEL, LYNBROOK PRIMARY SCHOOL -

***"We were absolutely overwhelmed at the quality of all the presenters throughout our Multicultural Program. They kept all our students thoroughly engaged and presented relevant, thoughtful and important ideas in all their fields. Thank you so much for this wonderful program!"***

- CAIT, KUNYUNG PRIMARY SCHOOL -



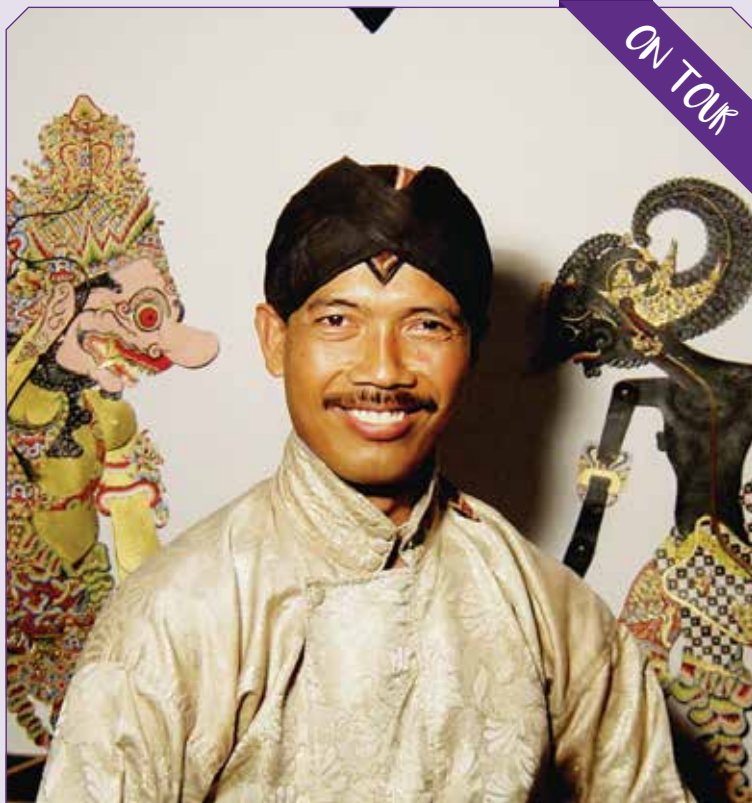


**HALF-DAY PROGRAM:** 'Choose any 3 programs' Example timetable:

TIME	GROUP 1	GROUP 2
10:00 – 10:25 am	Classical Indian Dance	Middle Eastern Infusion
10:35 – 11:00 am	Middle Eastern Infusion	Classical Indian Dance
11:00 – 11:30 am	Recess	
11:35 – 12:25 pm	Flamenco Fiesta	

**ALL-DAY PROGRAM:** 'Choose any 5 programs' Example timetable:

TIME	GROUP 1	GROUP 2
10:00 – 10:25 am	Chinese Harpist	Classical Indian Dance
10:35 – 11:00 am	Classical Indian Dance	Chinese Harpist
11:00 – 11:30 am	Recess	
11:35 – 12:25 pm	Middle Eastern Infusion	Hip Hop Infusion
12:10 – 12:35 pm	Hip Hop Infusion	Middle Eastern Infusion
12:35 – 1:35 pm	Lunch	
1:40 – 3:30 pm	Flamenco Fiesta	



## Sumardi Master Puppeteer

Returning to Australia by popular demand, Cultural Infusion is once again proud to present the Dalang (Master) Shadow Puppeteer Sumardi! Originally from Sragen (Central Java), Sumardi was just eleven years old when he began his nine years of study to become an Indonesian Master Puppeteer. Give students a wonderful insight into the myths and legends of Indonesian history and culture. Theatrical storytelling brings to life the ancestral spirits said to swell inside the puppets. The climactic scenes are based on Hindu epics, such as the Ramayana Cycle. A truly magical experience!

*"The students are always fascinated by the performance, Sumardi's level of skill and the way he proudly represents his cultural heritage"*

- RUTH, MONTE SANT' ANGELO MERCY COLLEGE -

**Taking expressions of interest for March 2021**

Regional and rural schools encouraged

Search on google for "Sumardi Master Puppeteer" to know more

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# Indigenous Culture

Celebrate and learn more about  
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander  
cultures, histories and contributions

## Reconciliation Week

27 May to 3 June

## NAIDOC Week

6 to 12 July

Book a program at [www.culturalinfusion.org.au](http://www.culturalinfusion.org.au)

POPULAR


**DURATION**  
All Day

**STUDENTS**  
250 (max)

**YEAR LEVEL**  
All Ages

## Indonesian Culture for a Day

Astit and her team offer this all day program to immerse students in Indonesian culture and language and showcase the amazing diversity of the Indonesian community in Perth. Two groups of students rotate through practical workshops before coming together for a performances featuring presenters and students together. Educators can choose workshops on Indonesian Dance, Language, Gamelan music and the Angklung, Batik print making, traditional games, Balinese offering making or an Indonesian Cooking Class!

*Example timetable:*

TIME	GROUP 1	GROUP 2
9:30 – 10:10 am	Introduction to the program and welcome ceremony	
10:10 – 10:40 am	Recess	
10:40 – 11:30 am	Indonesian Dance	Balinese Offering Making
11:40-12:30 am	Balinese Offering Making	Indonesian Dance
12.30 - 13:30	Lunch	
13:30– 14:10 pm	Dance and Gamelan group performance	

Indonesia / Dance

## Indonesian Dance

This vibrant program introduces contemporary and traditional Indonesian dances from diverse regions of Indonesia Bali, Java or Sumatra. Astit leads a group of experienced Indonesian dancers and artists who use Indonesian language, traditional and modern music and colourful outfits to teach students all about the vibrant cultures of this island nation.



**DURATION**  
50m

**STUDENTS**  
250 (max)

**YEAR LEVEL**  
All Ages

Indonesia / Various

## Indonesian Infusion

Astit and her group will show students the amazing diversity of the Indonesian community through dance and music from Sumatra, Java, Bali and more. Or, choose to focus a workshop on Gamelan music and the Angklung, Batik print making, traditional games, Balinese Offerings or even an Indonesian Cooking Class!



**DURATION**  
50m

**STUDENTS**  
250 (max)

**YEAR LEVEL**  
All Ages

*"We would highly recommend them to others."*

MOSMAN PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL WA

Indonesia / Dance

## Spirit of Bali

This is an immersive experience where students learn about the mythology of Balinese culture through music and dance. Students will learn the origins of symbolic movement in different dances and try the steps for themselves. The program can also introduce rice basket weaving, Balinese singing and Balinese language learning on request.



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50m

**STUDENTS**  
250 (max)

**YEAR LEVEL**  
All Ages

India / Dance

## Bollywood Infusion

Bollywood is an important part of modern Indian culture, it incorporates film, music and of course – dance! This program presents a vibrant Bollywood Dance workshop where students will learn about the folk and classical origins or the dances and the symbolism of some of the moves. Students will learn a short routine backed by awesome Bollywood tunes and get to try some colourful props and outfits too.



**DURATION**  
50m

**STUDENTS**  
250 (max)

**YEAR LEVEL**  
All Ages

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50m

**STUDENTS**

250 (max)

**YEAR LEVEL**

All Ages

China / Martial Arts

## Kung Fu with Sifu Siu

Join Sifu Gawain Siu as he presents the cultural significance and history of Kung Fu, Tai Chi and Chinese Lion Dance. Becoming a Kung Fu instructor at just 14 years old, Sifu now has more than 50 years of experience in Martial Arts and will deliver an active workshop promoting respect and harmony giving deep insight into Chinese culture.

China / Dance

## Chung Wah Dance

Formed with the aim of promoting and preserving Chinese culture, the Chung Wah Association's dance troupe are enthusiastic about sharing their heritage with students. Their program includes a performance of classical and contemporary Chinese dances using fans, umbrellas and handkerchiefs. Students participate by learning Chinese dance techniques and routines.

**DURATION**

50m

**STUDENTS**

250 (max)

**YEAR LEVEL**

All Ages

Middle East / Dance

## Middle Eastern Bellydance

Belyssa presents traditional and contemporary costuming and embroideries from Egypt, Jordan and Morocco and instruments of the Middle East. She uses props like assaya, swords, baskets and sagat to demonstrate regional styles of Bellydance and music from Egypt, Turkey, Greece and Iran. Students participate by practicing different rhythms with clapping, footwork, arm movements and improvisation.

**DURATION**

50m

**STUDENTS**

250 (max)

**YEAR LEVEL**

All Ages

Italy / Dance

## La Gioia della Donne

The Joys of Women Choir sings a vibrant blend of traditional and contemporary Italian folk songs with a passion and enthusiasm that is infectious. La Gioie Delle Donne present traditional folk songs sung with passion and enthusiasm. The aim of this remarkable choir is to retain and promote the Italian heritage and culture through music and song.

**DURATION**

50m

**STUDENTS**

250 (max)

**YEAR LEVEL**

All Ages



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# Cultural Diversity

The perfect time to discover and  
celebrate the world's cultures

Harmony Day  
21 March

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Cultural Infusion acknowledges the Wurundjeri people of the Kulin Nation as the Traditional Custodians of the country where our office is based in Melbourne. We pay our respects to the past, present and future custodians and elders of the Wurundjeri and in all places where Cultural Infusion works, and to the continuation of cultural, spiritual and educational practices of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples throughout Australia.

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