

# CULTURAL EDUCATION INCURSIONS PRE-PRIMARY 2022



Cultural Infusion is Australia's leading culture-in-education provider and has been promoting intercultural harmony throughout the country for more than 20 years. We provide immersive experiences to educate about different cultures and facilitate meaningful connections to Australia's diverse communities.

Our programs are designed to match the Australian Curriculum's focus on:

- Intercultural understanding
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander histories and cultures, and
- Australia's engagement with Asia







### WELCOME **TO COUNTRY**

Cultural Infusion respectfully acknowledges the Traditional Owners of the land, the Wurundjeri people of the Kulin Nation and pays respect to their Elders, past and present and future custodians In continuation of cultural, spiritual and educational practises of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples throughout Australia"

# CULTURAL INFUSION BRINGS CULTURALLY DIVERSE PRESENTERS

Our experienced presenters create colour, variety and engagement for your celebrations, fetes and fundraisers. Programs are tailored to suit the age, year level and abilities of your organisation, group or event.

- Classrooms
- Preschools and early learning centres
- Youth centres
- Libraries and Councils
- Shopping centres and strips
- Arts venues and galleries

- Corporate Family Days
- Churches
- Holiday and aftercare, including OSHC, OOSH and camps
- Community groups, such as Scouts, Guides and sports clubs
- Special needs schools

PROGRAM TYPE	DURATION	PRICE (+GST)	NO OF STUDENTS
In-Person	30 min	\$495	Up to 40
Virtual Delivery	30 min	\$395	Up to 40

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Contact us at info@culturalinfusion.org.au or call us on 1800 010 069 View all programs at www.culturalinfusion.org.au

### TRAVEL FEES

For in-person programs, a travel fee may be charged to schools located outside metropolitan areas over 50 km.

### TOURING INCURSIONS

Travel and accommodation fees applies to rural and country Incursions, in addition to the program fee.

### **CUSTOM PROGRAM**

Programs can be provided for less than the minimum number of students, however the minimum fee will still apply. Consider including more classes, combining with other schools or a virtual program.



# CULTURE AND BELONGING

The Early Years Learning Framework encourages the creation of learning opportunities that embrace the cultural and linguistic diversity of Australian communities, as well as celebrating and centring Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures, people and history.

Our programs can support your centre in connecting with culturally diverse and Indigenous perspectives with one-off incursions or on going programs.

# OUR AIMS

- To provide diverse cultural experiences to pre-primary, primary and secondary school students across Australia regardless of geographical location.
- To engage students in intercultural learning and other subject areas such as languages, history, geography, drama, dance and more.
- Enhance students understanding of different cultures and encourage them to reflect on their own cultural heritages.
- Encourage students, schools and communities to value diverse cultural practices.
- To give presenters, performers and artists a platform to share and develop their skills, talents and knowledge.

### **CULTURAL PROGRAM CALENDAR**

FEB	1 to 7	World Interfaith Harmony Week (International, UN)	
	1 to 15	Lunar New Year/Spring Festival (International)	BOOK IN EARLY!
-	6	Waitangi Day (Aotearoa, New Zealand)	
	15	Lantern Festival (China)	BOOK IN EARLY!
MAR	3	Hari Raya Nyepi Day of Silence (Balinese New Year)	
	6	Independence Day (Ghana)	
	8	International Woman's Day (International)	
	21	Norouz New Year (Iran)	
	21	Harmony Day (Australia)	BOOK IN EARLY!
	17 to 18	Holi Festival (India)	BOOK IN EARLY!
APR	1	Kha b-Nisan (Assyrian New Year)	
	2	Ramadan Begins (International)	
	17	Easter Sunday (International)	
	18	National Day (Zimbabwe)	
	24	Orthodox Easter (International)	
MAY	1	Eid al Fitr Festival and End of Ramadan (International)	BOOK IN EARLY!
	5	Children's Day (Japan)	
	27 to 3 Jun	National Reconciliation Week (Australia)	BOOK IN EARLY!
NOC	19 to 25	Refugee Week (Australia)	
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Informative for educators and for children, especially about why particular symbols are as they are (man,woman, child, etc). The art work was appropriate and children responded well - good opportunities for extension work with children.

JAN, East Burwood Preschool, VIC

In this program students and educators will learn to draw traditional symbols found in Aboriginal artworks from different cultures around the country. Using symbols for child, woman, man, numerous animals and features of the land as well as paths and footsteps connecting them, they will demonstrate how they can be combined to tell a visual story and guide students to create and draw their own stories.



# INDIGENOUS ULTURE

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

# **Reconciliation Week** 27 MAY TO 3 JUNE

**NAIDOC** Week

4 TO 11 JULY

Book a program at www.culturalinfusion.org.au



### ■ INDIGENOUS / VARIOUS Kinder Dreamtime with Djarrin Blow

Diarrin's pre-primary program is an energetic and entertaining introduction to Indigenous Australian culture for children under 5. Featuring short Dreamtime stories, didgeridoo, dances, songs, artefacts and games this program is a fun way for younger children to start engaging with Indigenous culture in a fun and interactive way.

### WEST AFRICA / MUSIC

## Rhythms and Instruments of West Africa

The musical cultures of West Africa are explored through rhythms and songs 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 and more! This dynamic program is interactive and highly engaging for students.

# west Africa / Music West African Dance & Music

The dance and music cultures of West Africa are some of the richest in the world. In this high-energy program students will be dancing traditional and contemporary styles of West Africa accompanied by music from Senegal, Ghana, Guinea and more! This program is highly interactive and each presenter for this program will bring their own language, style and warmth to your classroom.

### INDIGENOUS / VARIOUS

# Kinder Dreaming with Sam Roberts

In this specially-tailored program for kinder and pre primary school students, Sam introduces children to Indigenous culture through Dreamtime Stories and art, and uses songs to teach them words in Woiwurrong. Sam can also provide art-focused sessions and language-only sessions on request.



### 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 dance routine backed by awesome Bollywood tunes.

### JAPAN / MUSIC Taiko Drumming

Ayako and Ayako present traditional and original Japanese music in this program combining an amazing performance and interactive workshop. Students are introduced to an array of Japanese instruments before the room shakes with the sound of the Taiko drums!

### MIDDLE EASTERN

### / DANCE

### Middle Eastern Bellydance

Middle Eastern Bellydance introduces your students to Arabic cultures through stories and movement. The traditional meaning behind a belly dance routine is taught to students in this engaging and high-energy program. From classical music to modern pop and dance styles from Egypt to the Arabian Gulf! The music and dances can be tailored to a specific region or style by our expert presenters.





### KOREA / MARTIAL ARTS

### Korean Taekwondo Workshop

This program incorporates dynamic displays of Taekwondo with active participation by students. Students will learn empowering values and fostering of qualities such as confidence, positive outlook, safety and cultural awareness in an engaging, fun and safe environment. Students will also learn the meanings of basic Korean words and engage in Korean etiquette.







### CHINA / DANCE

### **Chinese Traditional Dance**

This program offers a graceful performance that incorporates an array of folk dances from across China. Students will be given traditional props to practise a short routine using some of the moves they've learnt, performed to both traditional and contemporary Chinese music.

For a specialised focus on one particular traditional Chinese dance, select from:

- Chinese Fan Dance
- Chinese Lantern Dance
- Ribbon Dance

### CHINA / VARIOUS Storytelling with the Chinese Harpist

VIRTUAL ONLY

In this gentle program, Zhao will be introducing Chinese tunes and rhymes to the children. At the same time. encouraging them to sing after learning the song in Mandarin! She will also read a book or two depending on ages of the little ones with a cultural theme to it. This wonderful session is beneficial for children ages from 3 to 6 years old. Only available in person in South Australia and available through virtual delivery everywhere else.

### CHINA / DANCE

### **Little Lion Dancing**

We are happy to introduce Chinese Lion Dancing for ELCs this 2022! Enjoy an exciting presentation of Lion dancing where one can interact with the performer. Children will be able to touch the lion, learn about its origins, dance together and learn to sing Chinese folk songs with Denning. This program is only available in Victoria.

### CHINA / MUSIC **Chinese Drumming**

The earliest known drums in China date back to four thousand years ago! Drums are still an important part of public celebration and students will love the rhythm and colour of the performance. In this interactive drumming workshop students will learn about each instrument that makes up the soundtrack to a Lion Dance or Kung Fu training session and try playing the music themselves!

### CHINA / MARTIAL ARTS **Chinese Martial Arts**

A high energy workshop where presenters will discuss the history and philosophy of martial arts in China and demonstrate different styles of Kung-Fu and Tai-Chi. This workshop can be adapted to different ages and physical abilities. For larger groups or demonstrations our presenters can organise a live Chinese drumming accompaniment.





# CULTURAL IVERSITY

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

# **Harmony Day**

21 MARCH

Book a program at www.culturalinfusion.org.au



# WORLD / THEATER Around The World and Back Again

Two Friends Productions present the story of the world's greatest explorer, Captain, and his jittery first mate, Todd. Visit different continents and meet exciting characters and strange animals, learning all about the various cultures and their history along the way. This comedic and fun children's theatre experience can be adopted for your whole community to attend!

### ■ INDIA / DANCE

### **Yoga and Mindfulness**

Accredited Yoga teacher and academic Valli is on a mission to reconnect the wonderful practices of Yoga and mindfulness to their Indian cultural origin. Students practice postures and techniques adjusted for age and ability as Valli explains the symbols and stories behind them. Students will be energised and focused as they engage in this ancient practice.

### WORLD / THEATER Jungle Shimmy

Hailed by parents, and teachers as a onewoman-multicultural-rock-concert-for-kids, Jungle Shimmy is a dynamic music and dance adventure across the world! With colourful props and fun, easy-to-follow dances including Belly Dance, Bollywood, Bhangra, Turkish, Egyptian, Gulf and Lebanese folk styles, everybody is up on their feet dancing.

### LANGUAGES / THEATER Fairytale Puppetry Exploring Languages

Engage with language and culture through a range of nine classic fairytales and stories told through exquisitely crafted traditional European hand puppets. The performances feature audience participation and are available in French, Italian, spanish, mandarin and German. This program can be tailored to suit different ages or language levels.





### WORLD / MUSIC

### **Cajon Drumming Workshop**

The Cajon originated in Africa, then travelled to South America, Asia and Europe – it's a truly global instrument! Tawanda is an expert Cajon maker and percussionist and presents this drumming workshop where students will try different styles of Cajon playing and hear how migration and being open to change can lead to innovation and new shared meaning.

### SCIENCE

### Osmosis Art

Cielo is an agronomist engineer from Colombia and a visual artist who combines these two fields in a beautiful way. Students will learn about the process of osmosis with images, a simple experiment and a short story about trees and their roots. Students will create osmosis art themselves using watercolour paper and colourful paints to illustrate the process.

### WORLD / DANCE

### **Hip Hop Dance**

This welcoming and inclusive Hip Hop dance workshop is specially adapted for young learners to experience and explore, rhythm, dance and movement. The session starts with a short performance, moves into a dance warmup, teaches a simple routine and finishes with a freestyle dance session at the end!



### Hero Ladybirds of the Galapagos Islands

Carolina Zuluaga is an ecologist who worked on the project to introduce the Australian Ladybird to the Galapagos Islands with the aim of controlling a feral insect that was destroying the balance in the ecosystem. Through her firsthand experience and the help of cute hand puppets she tells a fabulously quirky story that helps children understand basic ecology.





## SOUND INFUSION PILOT SCHOOL PROGRAM

In 2022, Sound Infusion will be piloted in a number of schools, beginning with SCEGGS (Sydney Church of England Girls' Grammar School) in Darlinghurst, NSW. The school will be using lesson plans linked to the Australian Curriculum and creating arrangements of traditional instrument sounds from around the world.

We are looking for more pilot schools in the coming year.

Contact nisha.f@culturalinfusion.org.au if you know of schools who may be interested. Nisha is happy to help music teachers to construct curriculum, using a blended learning approach combining the online arranging tool Sound Infusion with traditional song, dance and and the excitement and authenticity of the Cultural Infusion incursions



### MUSIC

### **Sound Infusion**

A virtual studio of original recordings, Sound Infusion is an interactive digital collection of culturally diverse music samples from around the world designed to promote alobal harmony through intercultural awareness.

Our online virtual studio contains:

- An interactive music program enabling students to combine sounds of instruments from many cultures
- More than 5000 tracks of 300 traditional instruments from nearly 100 countries
- 50 lesson plans for Years 1 to 10 linked to IB Try it for free at www.soundinfusion.com.au

### EDUCATION GAMES

### Joko's World

Children explore our fascinating planet, test their knowledge and gain new skills all through the engaging medium of interactive games. Joko's World takes kids from simple (noisy) pleasure of playing all of the world's tambourines and other instruments, discovering some the world's messiest festivals, and exploring the planet's geography. www.jokosworld.com

### INDIGENOUS

### **Mungo Explorer**

Mungo Explorer is a fascinating journey into the past 50,000 years of human and natural history. Endorsed by the Aboriginal custodians of Lake Mungo, Mungo Explorer presents a rare educational opportunity to experience this landscape through Science, History, Aboriginal Perspectives, Geography and the Arts woven into a unique learning journey. https://learn.culturalinfusion.org.au/mungo-explorer/

### DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION

### **Diversity Atlas**

Diversity Atlas is a one-of-a-kind diversity mapping computer platform that provides schools with insightful data on birth place, language, migration, family origins, gender and differing worldviews. Understand the cultural diversity within your school community, build inclusivity and peer to peer learning as students openly present their cultures to the classroom. https://schools.diversityatlas.com.au/

### CULTURAL AMBASSADOR

### Intercultural Citizenship Ambassador Program (ICAP)

ICAP teaches students to be leaders, develops Intercultural Understanding, and a sense of what culture means in a globalised world. ICAP takes students through mind-mapping, what makes culture, and the needs of leadership in the 21st century. Students experience what leadership truly means and become cultural ambassadors of the future.

https://learn.culturalinfusion.org.au/icap/





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