



Expression of Interest to participate in the Multicultural Parade at the 2012 National Multicultural Festival (commencing at 4pm, on Saturday, 11 February 2012)

The Canberra Multicultural Community Form (CMCF) Inc. in collaboration with the ACT Government Office of Multicultural Affairs and Torres Strait Islanders Affairs (OMATSIA), the ACT Multicultural Women's Advocacy Inc. (MWA) and the Australian Immigrant and Refugee Women's Alliance (AIRWA), will organise the Multicultural Parade at the 2012 National Multicultural Festival on Saturday afternoon, 11 February 2012.

The Multicultural Parade will be marching behind the Children Parade, which will lead the procession on the day. We will also have Chinese lion dancers and Scottish bagpipes in these Parades.

WHO:

- Due to the consideration of the OH&S for the participating Multicultural Organisations/Groups and the physical limitation of the Parade route, we are restricted to the total number of participants **NOT more than 250 people** in this Parade.
- Each of the Multicultural Organisations/Groups would not send more than **ONE team**, which should **not** have **more than 10 people** who, during the Parade, must be wearing their **national costumes/or performance costumes at the Festival**. On request, the Parade Organising Panel may consider to have additional people in each team.
- Each participating Multicultural Organisations/Groups must have a **Public Liability Insurance Policy, which has a minimum coverage of Twenty Millions dollars**.
- NO national/political flag of each team is allowed at the Parade, but banners and/or display cards for identification purposes of the individual Multicultural Organisation/Group are encouraged. Other displayed materials for each team must have prior approval by the Parade Organising Panel before they are allowed to be used at the Parade.



WHEN and WHERE:

- All participants in their costumes (with their Team Leaders) must assemble and report 20 minutes prior to the commencement of the Parade (at 4pm), at Civic Square (in front of the entrance of the ACT Multicultural Centre, 180 London Circuit) – there will be signage at the marshalling point.
- The route of the Parade will start from Civic Square, London Circuit, Ainslie Ave, London Circuit and back to Civic Square (About 1km). The route may be changed based on weather and other safety considerations on the day.
- The parade is expected to be finished within ONE hour.

HOW:

If you are interested, please provide the following details:

- ***Name of the Multicultural Organisation/Group at the Parade;***
- ***How many people in the team at the Parade;***
- ***Please provide written proof that you have a Public Liability Insurance Policy, which has a minimum coverage of Twenty Millions dollars;***
- ***Details of the Team Leader: Name; address; mobile number, email address (most important).***

Please forward the above information to chair.cmcf@gmail.com by COB Tuesday, 31 January 2012. There is NO cost to participate in this Parade (please ring 0411 417 666 if you wish to make further enquiry about the Parade, thank you).

You are most welcome to participate in the year's Parade. **As the number of the participants is limited to 250, the selection of the teams is based on "first comes, first serves" principle. Decisions of the all matters related to the Parade by its Parade Organising Panel are final.** Please consider and forward your expression of interest to us ASAP. Thank you for your supports.

We will expect to hold a Meeting before the Festival for all Team Leaders of the Parade in the early day of the second week of February. Details are to be advised soon.

Thank you and Best Wishes.

Sam Wong, Chair, CMCF Inc.

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