

Multicultural dinner to help locals bond

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From kangaroo stew to kofta kebabs and chickpea curry, a range of delicious dishes from around the globe will be available at the inaugural Multicultural Dinner in Kwinana.

Hosted by Connecting Community for Kids, there will be a buffet style dinner showcasing native dishes, as well as Sudanese cultural dancing performances, cultural music and arts and crafts on display from local artisans.

Several cultures and nationalities will be represented at the event, with kangaroo stew and damper, Filipino adobo and rice, Sudanese kofta kebabs and Indian/Pakistani chicken curry and Maori hangi food all to be served.

Cultural groups will also be bringing artefacts, ranging from costumes, jewellery and shoes, to showcase their cultures on the night.

There will also be a raffle with prizes from local businesses.

Connecting Community for Kids' Justine Fawcett said the food would act as conversation starters

for attendees to bond over stories of life, love and change, as well as an opportunity to be unified in their pride and to celebrate all the richness and benefits from being such a diverse community.

"The event acts as a platform for advocating a broader appreciation of the many cultures in our local community," she said.

Funds raised will go towards the "That was my Home" cultural events — which celebrate the community's rich history and diverse cultures.

The inaugural event last year celebrated Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders, and the second event celebrated the Sudanese Culture.

Over the next nine months the showcase cultures are from the Philippines, India and Pakistan.

The Multicultural Dinner will be held at the Kwinana Golf Club next Friday, August 9, from 5.30-8.30pm.

Tickets cost \$15 a person, or \$100 for a table of eight. (Children under 12 years of age are free).

Tickets can be purchased via trybooking.com/BDQQQ.