2024 / 2025 cultural education programs victoria



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welcome to 2024/2025

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

Acknowledgement of Country

Cultural Infusion respectfully acknowledges the Traditional Owners and Elders of the land and pays respect to past, present, and future custodians, in continuation of cultural, spiritual and educational practices of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples throughout Australia.



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

- Primary and secondary schools (incl. specialist schools)
- 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

Cultural Infusion has been appointed as an official observer to the 2005 UN Convention on the Protection and Promotion of the **Diversity of Cultural Expressions**



Cultural infusion Education & Experiences

We have a wide variety of program structures to suit all your cultural experience needs.

The below pricing table is simply a guide, as we have many more options available ranging from school assembly performances to workshops at fairs and events. Please enquire about our custom programs and we will work with you to bring your celebrations to life!

PROGRAM TYPE	DURATION	PRICE (+GST)	NO. OF STUDENTS
Pre-Primary	30 min	From \$495	Up to 40
Single Session	50 min	From \$7 (per student)	Up to 150
Multicultural Half- Day Program	Half Day	From \$15 (per student)	From 200
Multicultural All- Day Program	Full Day	From \$20 (per student)	From 300
Specialist All-Day Program	Full Day	From \$20* (per student)	From 150
Virtual Program	50 min	\$790	Up to 120
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* Prices may vary depending on the type and scope of program/s chosen.

custom program

Programs can be provided for less than the minimum number of students, however the minimum fee will still apply.

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

travel fees

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

connecting to our curriculum

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.

Australia's Engagement with Asia

Recognise the diversity within and betweenthecountries 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 perspectives, sounds, movements, beliefs and practices in one's own culture and others through engagement with culturally diverse art forms.

Languages

Language learning provides students with an in-depth exploration of 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.

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harmony week **march**

NAIDOC week july

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	6	Waitangi Day (New Zealand)		
FEB	10	Lunar New Year/Spring Festival (International) BOOK IN EARLY!		
	24	Lantern Festival (China)		
MAR	6	Independence Day (Ghana)		
	8	International Woman's Day (International)		
	10	Ramadan Begins		
	11	Hari Raya (Balinese New Year)		
	20	Nowraz New Year (International)		
	21	Harmony Day (Australia) BOOK IN EARLY!		
	25	Holi Festival (India)		
	31	Easter Sunday (International)		
APR	1	Kha b-Nisan (Assyrian New Year)		
A	9-10	Eid al Fitr Festival and End of Ramadan (International)		
	5	Children's Day (Japan)		
МΑΥ	5	Orthodox Easter (International)		
	27 - 3	National Reconciliation Week (Australia)		
NNr	16 - 22	Refugee Week (Australia)		
	7 - 14	NAIDOC Week (Australia) BOOK IN EARLY!		
lul	14	Bastille Day (France)		
	18	Nelson Mandela Day (International)		
	4	National Aboriginal/Torres Strait Islander Children's Day		
ט	9	International Day of the World's Indigenous People (International)		
ΑU	13 - 15	Obon Festival (Japan)		
	17	Indonesian Independence Day (Indonesia)		
	26 - 27	Krishna Janmashtami (International, Hindu)		
SEP	16	Independence Day (Mexico)		
	15 - 17	Rosh Hashanah (International, Jewish)		
ОСТ	18 - 27	Children's Week (Australia)		
0	29	Diwali (India)		
NOV	2	Day of the Dead (Mexico)		
	3	Culture Day (Japan)		
DEC	3	UN International Day of Disabled Persons (International)		
	25	Hanukkah (International, Jewish)		
	25	Christmas Day (International)		
	31	New Year's Eve (International)		



experience the artistry of a master puppeteer!

Australia-Wide Exclusive Tour March-October 2025

Register Your Interest - Enquire Now!

Returning to Australia by popular demand, Cultural Infusion is once again proud to present the Dalang (Master) Shadow Puppeteer **Sumardi!**

Originally from Srayen (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 dwell inside the puppets. The climactic scenes are based on Hindu epics, such as the Ramayana Cycle. A truly magical experience!

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Aboriginal Storytelling through Art

Aboriginal Storytelling through Art teaches students traditional symbols for people, the land and animals, and assists them with creating and presenting their own stories. This creative intercultural workshop is great for any age.

Aboriginal Infusion

Aboriginal Infusion is a highly interactive and engaging introduction to the rich, continuing traditions and cultural aspects of Australia's First Peoples, such as dance, didgeridoo, artefacts and storytelling.

Please note: the exact aspects explored in this program will depend on the presenter.

Didgeridoo Beats and Culture

Didgeridoo, Beats and Culture is the perfect introduction to the world's oldest living culture. The presenter, Ganga, is a descendant of the Palawa people of Tasmania, who fuses this ancient instrument with electronic production and vocals and has presented around the world.

Didgeridoo Mindfulness Journey

This program includes didgeridoo playing and a story that travels from Yolgnu country to India to Siberia, ending with a meditation. Dean is author of best-selling book 'The Essential Meditation Guide' and was endorsed by famous Yolngu knowledge holder Djalu Gurruwiwi to teach didgeridoo for wellness.







Chinese Fan Dance

A symbol of beauty and grace, Chinese Fan Dance is a colourful, captivating workshop that will get students moving with their own fans as they learn all about the Chinese Fan Dance and its origins.

Chinese Lion Dance

Signifying good fortune, prosperity and longevity, the Chinese Lion Dance is an artform dating back to the 12th century! This engaging dance workshop will give students an opportunity to see the lions up close while gaining an insight into one of China's oldest traditions.

Chinese Martial Arts

Martial arts, known as wŭshù in Mandarin, date back more than 4000 years. In this high-energy educational workshop, participants get to delve into the history and philosophy of Chinese martial arts and try out different styles. Adaptable to different ages and abilities.

Chinese Drumming

The earliest known drums in China date back to four thousand years ago! A performance of rhythm and colour, students will love this handson Chinese Drumming workshop as they drum out beats and learn about instruments behind the popular Lion Dance and Kung Fu soundtracks.

Songs of Italia

Singing in English and Italian, Kavisha will take you on a journey, exploring over 600 years of Italian folk music. She delves into how people expressed their lives through song and how these styles differ between region, time, and language.

Commedia Clowning

Commedia dell'arte began in the 16th century in Italy and its mask theatre became the basis for modern-day comedy and clowning! This Commedia Clowning solo show introduces the audience to well-known historic Commedia characters such as Pantalone, the grumpy mayor, and the know-it-all il Dottore.

Mime Magnifique

Our Mime Magnifique! program is filled with action, fun and festivities. Taking participants on a journey exploring French culture and history, they will learn the significance of the French artform of mime. With charades, magic tricks, and more, the presenter brings theatre to life in a highly interactive and engaging workshop.

Opa! Greek Dance and Culture

In this highly interactive program, children will explore Greek culture and history through traditional music, dance, and storytelling. Children will have the opportunity to participate in the Zorba dance and listen to Greek mythologies and folk songs.









Cool Capoeira

Originating in Brazil as a martial art disguised as dance, Capoeira has UNESCO intangible cultural heritage status. Students will learn acrobatic manoeuvres accompanied by the beautiful sound of the berimbau musical instrument. Capoeira is for all, whether you are more an acrobat, musician, singer, dancer or martial artist.

Latin American Dance

Explore the vibrant world of Latin American dance through an engaging demonstration of styles such as salsa, cha-cha-cha, merengue, bachata, and tango. Discover the rich cultural significance of these dances as participants gain a deeper connection to the rhythms and traditions of Latin America.

Fire of Flamenco

Fire of Flamenco incorporates dance, music and singing and has a rich, multicultural history influenced by Roma, Arab, West African and Spanish cultures. In this program, students will get to try the accompanying 'palmas' (clapping) and learn some flamenco dance moves.

Music of the Andes

In Music of the Andes, participants will experience music and dances from the Inca culture of the Andes Mountains. Inka Marka started busking more than 20 years ago and have since developed a long and illustrious career as musicians performing at major events in music around Australia and the Pacific.

Hip-Hop Infusion

In this high-energy interactive program, students will learn about hip-hop and urban dance culture around the world. Using a variety of super-danceable beats that will have all students up and dancing, this is the perfect introduction to the expressive world of hip-hop!

Indonesian Infusion

This program will take participants on an immersive and interactive journey, showcasing the amazing diversity of Indonesian places and culture through customs, language, dance, traditional dress and music.

Polynesian Infusion

Participants will be transported to the Cook Islands with a traditional dance performance, interactive workshop and fast-paced combination of music, dance, storytelling and craft by performers skilled in drums, ukelele, chanting and more. Includes a hula dancing lesson!

Multicultural Moves

An interactive program that engages students in popular dance styles from around the world. Students will learn the basic moves of various dance styles such as Jamaican dancehall, Afro dance, hip-hop and the significance of these dances while offering tools to support mental wellbeing and improve social skills and teamwork.







Bollywood Infusion

Bollywood is an important part of modern Indian culture, referring to the Hindi film industry, and categorised by colourful displays of music, dance, and costume. Bollywood Infusion presents a vibrant workshop where participants will learn about the folk and classical origins of the Bollywood dances.

Filipino Music and Storytelling

A captivating and interactive program that brings Filipino culture to life. Students will experience vibrant oral tales through engaging songs, movements and creative use of props, including Kamishibai (paper theatre), immersing them in a rich celebration of Filipino traditions.

Jungle Shimmy

Hailed by parents and teachers as a one-woman-multicultural-rockconcert-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.

Spanish Fiesta

Babushka's Spanish Fiesta workshop introduces students to Spanish culture and follows with choreographed dance and folkloric music, inspired by the famous Spanish dance – Flamenco. In Spanish Fiesta, students will begin to explore Spanish culture through this colourful, vibrant and interactive program.

Rhythms and Instruments of West Africa

Explore rhythms and songs from Ghana, Guinea and Senegal. Students will be introduced to a range of instruments including the djembe, dun dun drums, shekere, talking drum, balafon and more! Students will be guided to play the drums and other percussion instruments.

Ethiopian Dance and Culture

Acclaimed singer and dancer, Seble shares the rich diversity of Ethiopian culture to learners of all ages with her highly interactive workshops. Seble will share songs, dance moves and stories from her home country, and from her travels around the world from a very young age with the Ethiopian Circus.

Fairytale Puppetry – Exploring Languages

This interactive program engages students with language and culture through a range of nine classic fairytales and stories told through exquisitely crafted traditional European hand puppets.

Cajón Drumming

The cajón, believed to have originated in Africa, has travelled to South America, Asia and Europe – a truly global instrument! Tawanda is an expert cajón-maker and percussionist. In this workshop, students will learn about different styles of cajón playing and the relationship between migration and innovation.







Taiko Drumming

This traditional and original Japanese music program combines amazing performance and an interactive workshop. Students are introduced to Japanese culture through music and language, before the room shakes with the sound of the Taiko drums!



Japanese Martial Arts

Japanese martial arts, traditionally known as budō, are art forms that have evolved over centuries in Japan. In this high-energy educational workshop, participants will explore the rich history and philosophy of martial arts in Japan and have the opportunity to try various styles such as Karate, Judo, and Aikido.

The Art of Origami



Dive into the world of origami with our Art of Origami workshops! These hands-on sessions teach the Japanese art and science of paper folding, fostering creativity, concentration, and cultural appreciation. Participants will learn to create intricate designs while exploring the history and cultural significance of origami in Japan.

Japanese Ink Painting

Japanese Ink Painting, also known as Sumi-e, guides participants in preparing inks and incorporating different ink tones and brush techniques to create traditional ink paintings. By capturing objects from nature through their individual interpretations and expressing themselves



multicultural **all-day** or **half-day** program

This program allows a choice of three or five programs.

Choose to explore one culture, language, or topic in depth, or travel the world with a program from every continent! Students rotate through 25-minute sessions in groups, then come together for a 50-minute final celebration.

> "Absolutely amazing incursions today, our students were so engaged... I would recommend it strongly to other educators!"

Lynbrook Primary School

Example All-Day Timetable (5 programs)				
TIME	GROUP 1	GROUP 2		
10:00 – 10:25 am	Chinese Classical Music	Classical Indian Dance		
10:35 – 11:00 am	Classical Indian Dance	Chinese Classical Music		
11:00 – 11:30 am	Recess			
11:35 – 12:00 pm	Taiko Drumming	Hip Hop Infusion		
12:10 – 12:35 pm	Hip Hop Infusion	Taiko Drumming		
12:35 – 1:35 pm	Lunch			
1:40 – 2:30 pm	Fire of Flamenco			

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Aboriginal culture for a day

Aboriginal Culture For A Day immerses your students in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures with three rotating sessions of cultural programs led by an experienced team of presenters.

The Aboriginal Culture For A Day program can include the following sessions:

- Art and Storytelling
- Culture and history
- Dreamtime Stories
- Artefacts

- Dance and Singing (with Didgeridoo)
- Mindfulness through Didgeridoo

ТІМЕ	GROUP 1	GROUP 2
10:00 – 10:30 am	Introduction to the program and welcome ceremony	
10:40 – 11:30 am	Artefacts & Dreamtime Stories	Symbolic Art
11:30 – 12:00 pm	Recess	
12:00 – 12.50 pm	Symbolic Art	Artefacts & Dreamtime Stories
1:00 – 1:50 pm	Didgeridoo and Dance	
2:00 – 2:50 pm	Lunch	
2:50 – 3:30 pm	Closing celebration and dance performance	

Please note, individual sessions will be dependent upon factors such as presenter availability, participant numbers, space/ set-up requirements and weather conditions.



professional development

Cultural Infusion offers live programs with experienced, passionate facilitators, available both inperson and by virtual delivery on the following topics:

- Embedding Aboriginal Perspectives in the Classroom
- Introducing Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) in Education
- Facilitating Intercultural Competency in the Classroom

free resources with any booking!

With any Cultural Infusion booking, your school will enjoy 3 months of complimentary access to our educational platform, Learning Lands.

Packed with a diverse range of resources, including our award-winning music tool, Sound Infusion, Learning Lands equips teachers with the materials they need to effectively support students in developing Intercultural Understanding.

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Diversity Atlas foster meaningful inclusion at your school

Diversity Atlas is an innovative data-analytics tool designed to help schools measure and understand the cultural and demographic diversity within their staff and student bodies. By comparing these insights with the broader community, schools can track changes over time and ensure they are fostering a representative and inclusive environment.

Additionally, *Diversity Atlas* offers actionable insights to support schools in creating a welcoming atmosphere for all.

To help you make the most of this data, we provide teacher resources, including tailored lesson plans, to effectively integrate these insights into your school's curriculum.



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annual school packages!

We're excited to introduce our new **Cultural Infusion school packages** designed to enrich your educational experience throughout the year. Our packages include:

Assembly Performances or Workshops: Engaging sessions that bring diverse cultures to life for your students.

Professional Development Sessions: Tailored training for educators on intercultural competency and embedding Aboriginal perspectives in the classroom.

Diversity Atlas Membership: Gain insights with our comprehensive mapping tool that provides meaningful data on the cultural diversity of your staff and students.

Year-long Learning Lands Subscription: Access our award-winning resources to support cultural education all year round.

Exclusive Benefits: Enjoy discounts, special promotions, and personalised consultation sessions to support your school's unique needs.

Contact us to find the right package for your school and request a quote!





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events for schools by cultural infusion

Celebrate your school community with our event management!

Inspire your school community with memorable events! As leaders in Diversity, Equity and Inclusion, our events arm specialises in crafting engaging and inclusive experiences for any school.

With over twenty years of experience, we handle every aspect of event production. From theming and programming to food trucks, stalls, and student engagement, we manage every detail.

Enquire today to collaborate on end of year events, school fetes, Harmony Week and NAIDOC week festivities, and more!

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LIVING CULTURE PROGRAMS

Donate to Cultural Infusion Foundation's Living Culture Programs Today

Involve your students in year-round fundraising initiatives and contribute to empowering communities of students in less developed countries worldwide.

Our Living Culture programs work to preserve cultural diversity in impoverished communities in Africa and Asia. We recognise that community cultural practices provide a sense of identity and belonging, which is a core driver for more sustainable and peaceful societies.

With as little as \$500 a month, your school can make a significant impact. Enquire with us today and we can assist in organising fundraising events to bring your school community together for a meaningful cause.





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