



KULCHA at Kwinana

Kwinana is home to a 1000 capacity amphitheatre and KULCHA are going to be there! Featuring the Latin American Cultural Association, African rhythms of Ziggy Bey Jan Group, Latin beats with LC Salsa and live fire dancing. This promises to be a night for the whole family to enjoy the wealth of world music which exists in Western Australia.

Saturday 15 March, gates open 6pm, performance 7pm.

Kwinana Community Arts Centre Amphitheatre, Sulphur Rd, Kwinana.
Tickets \$12 • U/16 Years free. Bookings through BOCS only 9484 1133 (Booking fee applies).

KULCHA at the Mundaring Weir Hotel

Come to the Mundaring Weir Hotel on Saturday 12 April for a show jam packed with great performers including Jessica Ipkendanz on violin and Cathie Travers on accordian, the West African beats of The Ziggy Bey Jan Group and the soulful sounds of the Afghani Duo.

Mundaring Weir Rd, Mundaring Weir. 7.30pm start.

For tickets and enquiries phone 9295 6098. www.mundaringweirhotel.com.au



Ensemble Yonin No Kai from Japan



Thank you and congratulations to Mr Kiyoshi Shidara the Consul General, Ms Atsuko Nishimura and Ms Monica Skidzun from the Consulate General of Japan for organising the performances of the Ensemble Yonin No Kai and for their involvement, co-operation and support of KULCHA. The fascinating Ensemble Yonin No Kai performed at KULCHA on Saturday 8 and Sunday 9 February to an appreciative audience who thoroughly enjoyed the experience.

We look forward to further cultural exchange projects with our friends from Japan. All tickets were complimentary.

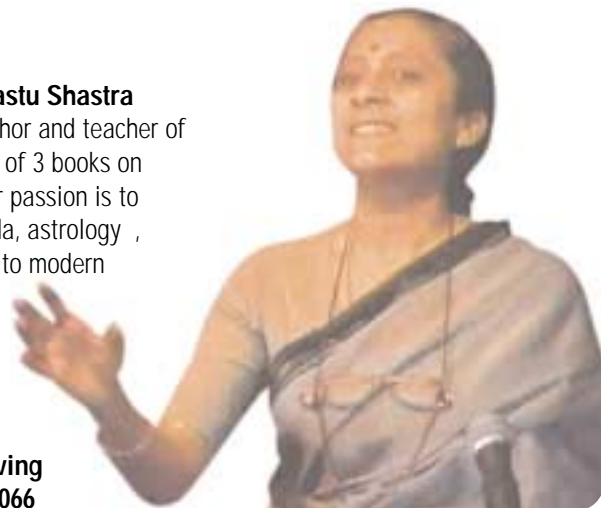
Conscious Living

Harmonising Space and Energy - The Ancient Indian Tradition of Vaastu Shastra
Evening Talk and Discussion with Sashikala Ananth, India's most renown author and teacher of sacred design and space harmonisation. Sashikala is an architect and author of 3 books on Vaastu Shastra as well as a film on the tradition of the Shilpi or sculptor. Her passion is to revive the ancient spiritual tradition of Vaastu which combines yoga, ayurveda, astrology, music, art, colour, mantras and ritual and apply these harmonising principles to modern lifestyles. Discover the spiritual science behind the design of India's temples and sacred architecture and learn how to apply these principles to your modern home environment. Experience mantra meditation and a sacred fire ceremony at this evening presentation.

Monday 10 March, 7.30pm at Kulcha.

Tickets \$20.00 CL/Kulcha Members \$15.00 Presented by Conscious Living

For further information go to www.consciousliving.net.au call 9388 8066



Did you know... 75% of West Australians are non-smokers. It is therefore not surprising that there is strong community support for a SmokeFree WA. A recent survey of both smokers and non-smokers indicated that 96% of West Australians support smoking bans/restrictions in public places including restaurants and sporting venues.



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Member Newsletter March/April 2003

Quarry Music Carnival

Saturday 8 March 2003



Featuring the Latin American Cultural Association, Shangara Jive, Te Rangatahi Maori Club, Sabroson & Firefly

Saturday 8 March 7pm, at the Quarry Amphitheatre
Oceanic Drive, City Beach.

Gates open 6pm, Tickets \$18 Adults, \$8 (12 Years & under)
Bookings through BOCS Ticketing Phone 9484 1133 (Booking fees apply)

Saturday 15 March, Kwinana Music Carnival
See back page for program details.



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General Manager's Foreword



It has been an exciting start to the year and I would like to bring our members and friends up to date on some of the events that have been happening at KULCHA.

The City of Perth invited KULCHA to programme a stage in Northbridge for New Years Eve and the Brazilian group Ogum Brasil followed by LC Salsa certainly made the night a great one for the thousands of people who were in the City of Perth to celebrate. Congratulations to both groups.

KULCHA started programming the Parklife series of free Sunday multicultural concerts last year and the series was launched on January 5th in Russell Square with Tok Pan Tok and has been followed by Middle Eastern, Greek and Chinese performances. This is a four month program of concerts sponsored by the City of Perth and aims to contribute to the Future Directions plan for the Northbridge precinct. I acknowledge the City of Perth councillors and council staff, Susan Parker, Carol Brearley and Chris Bennett for their support of KULCHA.

The second series of KULCHA on Swan gigs also began on January 5th and have since included Last Five Coins, Pete Stone and Sabrosón. The courtyard at the Guildford Hotel is a delightful space for shows and welcomes

families to get together and enjoy world music on a Sunday afternoon. KULCHA thanks the City of Swan and their diva of a Cultural Development Officer, Ms Sharon Flindell, management of the Guildford Hotel and MC Kirsty Hartigan.

On February 1st KULCHA and JazzWA presented Jazz at the Quarry. A sold out audience of 650 at the Quarry Amphitheatre in City Beach enjoyed the Andean music of Los Chasquis & the vibrant WAYJO. I would like to thank Alan Corbet, Co-ordinator of JazzWA for his work in the joint presentation of this concert and his openness to the idea. The timing of this newsletter will not allow me to comment on the KULCHA World Music Concert at Araluen on Saturday 22 February, only to say how much we are looking forward to presenting a concert in the valley of Araluen Botanic Park and to thank Rod Ross and Liz Dunn for their support.

March and April will be two exciting months for KULCHA beginning with the Quarry Music Carnival in City Beach. KULCHA will present a show which celebrates the 20th anniversary of the organisation through a combination of community groups and established artists. This will be a show not to be missed!

KULCHA will then take the theme of the Quarry Music Carnival to the Kwinana Amphitheatre on the 15th of March in partnership with the Town of Kwinana and Imagine Kwinana. April will complete the round of summer offsite events with a world music concert at the Mundaring Weir Hotel.

Mundaring, Kwinana & Araluen are

audience development for KULCHA and we are very appreciative of the interest we have received for the program across the metropolitan area. All of the offsite work has been made possible because of the high quality monthly program at the Fremantle venue. Since 1997, the Fremantle venue has provided artists with a supportive and professional arena to develop and present their artforms. The monthly calendar has now become a menu of culturally diverse possibilities across Western Australia.

Other March highlights include the important Harmony Week from 17–21 March and Harmony Day on 21st March. During Harmony Week KULCHA will be presenting a week of free percussion workshops for youth culminating in a parade of African fashions by designer Fikirte H. Mariam and African group Shangara Jive on the 21st of March. For further information on Harmony Week activities in Western Australia please contact the Office of Multicultural Interests, phone 9426 8690 or website www.omi.wa.gov.au.

Finally, members please feel welcome to attend our next MEMBERS FREE SHOW and sixth anniversary of KULCHA in Fremantle. Featuring the Fremantle Jazz Orchestra's 18 member big band from 7pm, Saturday 5 April 2003.

WALTER GOMES
General Manager

KULCHA AGM

7pm, Tuesday 25 March 2003
at KULCHA

Which KULCHA members won a trip to Hong Kong?



A big congratulations to Cherrie and Ross Kubale. For being KULCHA members Mr and Mrs Kubale won 2 return tickets to Hong Kong sponsored by STA Travel. They are pictured with Ms Birgit Werner, Manager, STA Fremantle receiving their prize. Congratulations to you both and thank you for your membership. In 2003 courtesy of STA Travel you could win two tickets to Broome just for being a KULCHA member. Drawn 1st December 2003. Join now!

The next STA Travel information night is on Africa, Wednesday 26 March at KULCHA. 6–8pm. Please RSVP to bsm.fremantle@statravel.com.au or 9430 5553.



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Another winner!

Congratulations to Dr David Cooke the winner of a twinpack of delicious Amberley Wines. Simply leave your details at the bar when you attend any performance at KULCHA. Next winner notified in the May/June newsletter. Congratulations.



More prizes!

Become a new member or renew your membership before June 1 and you will go into the draw to win a weekend for two at Birchfields farmstay in the picturesque south west town of Vasse. The winner will be announced in the July/August newsletter.

Another free show for members!

A free show for KULCHA members will be held on Saturday April 5 featuring the Fremantle Jazz Orchestra. Swing!



Win Win Win! A free pamper

Become a new member of KULCHA or renew your membership in March and you will go into the draw to win a decadent pamper experience valued at over \$200! Enter a world of pure indulgence at Keturah Day Spa, Fremantle's newest destination for pampering and relaxation. Phone: 9430 6800

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Harmony Week 17–21 March 2003

Harmony Day has been expanded to Harmony Week in 2003, when events that engage the community and encourage dialogues about multiculturalism and anti-racism will be held. The theme for 2003 is "Towards Mutual Respect". Harmony Week 2003 will be held from Friday 14 March –21 March commencing with a community walk from Russell Square. Throughout the week, activities and events that recognise and celebrate cultural diversity will be planned and coordinated.

OMI is promoting Harmony Week 2003 as part of a series of community events and has offered small grants of up to \$500 to assist not for profit Community based groups and Local Government Authorities around the

State to plan and coordinate activities and events for Harmony Week 2003.

Friday 21 March signifies the United Nations Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination and marks the 42nd anniversary of the Sharpeville massacre. On 21 March 1960, in the township of Sharpeville, South Africa, police opened fire, killing 69 peaceful protestors against apartheid's "pass laws". The United Nations General Assembly subsequently declared March 21 the International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination to commemorate the massacre.

Whilst apartheid has been defeated, racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related



intolerance are, sadly, still common all over the world. March 21 is an opportunity for the international community to not only reflect on progress made towards eliminating racial discrimination, but also to continue to oppose discrimination in all its forms. In 2003, Western Australia will mark the International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination with events that focus on eliminating racial discrimination and intolerance.



What's on at KULCHA for Harmony Week?

An African celebration – see the KULCHA Calendar for details.