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## MEDIA RELEASE

### **Multicultural mix in Gold Coast community today.**

#### **The Culture we enjoy.**

The Gold Coast today is very different than the community that saw the very first Gold Coast Show in the year 1900. Although there were some European settlers the lifestyle that people enjoyed at the turn of last century was primarily that of the teachings of England.

How things have changed over the past 100 years! "Today there are 52 Ethnic groups living on the Gold Coast and many of them celebrate their heritage publicly since the first ever ethnic day here on the Gold Coast back in 1995. Each year many of these groups celebrate being Australian at the Australia Day Celebrations at Evandale" says the President of the Gold Coast Ethnic Association Mary Ann Boehme.

At this year's Gold Coast Centenary Show a special tribute will be made to our vibrant multicultural communities living on the Gold Coast today in the Gold Coast Centenary Show Arena Spectacular. "We are planning a mass of color and movement to music with representatives of as many cultural groups as possible. They will all appear together in traditional costumes representing their heritage to a specially edited music track that will feature traditional music" says the show's creative producer Mark Eady.

More cultural groups are welcome to participate in what will be the largest theatrical acknowledgement of our multicultural community ever staged on the Gold Coast. To register your interest you can e-mail [creative@ozworks.net](mailto:creative@ozworks.net) or call the Centenary Show Hotline on 55092842.

Show Dates are Aug 31<sup>st</sup> to Sep 2<sup>nd</sup> 2006.

General information on the Gold Coast Centenary Show look on-line at [www.goldcoastshow.com.au](http://www.goldcoastshow.com.au) or call Noelene Nugent 55913422

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