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'our traditional culture' Launch of the Refugee Week Exhibition 2010

Ms Cassy O'Connor MP

will launch the exhibition on behalf of the Premier of Tasmania at the

Moonah Arts Centre, Friday 18th June at 6.00 pm

'our traditional culture' is the third annual exhibition devoted to the art and craft of people from a refugee background developed through a partnership between the Migrant Resource Centre and Glenorchy City Council.

'our traditional culture' is the first to incorporate the outcomes of a series of workshops developed and conducted by the Migrant Resource Centre (Southern Tasmania) Inc. (MRC) in 2010 as a proactive contribution to the maintenance and sharing of valued traditional craft practices. Workshops and exhibition coordination were funded under the Community Capacity Building Grants Program 2009-10 through the Department of Premier and Cabinet.

The exhibition will present traditional objects and practices produced by people from a refugee and migrant background living in Tasmania. Some of the objects exhibited are the result of workshop sessions carried out at MRC. Documentation of the workshops will be presented in the exhibition.

Objects and practices exhibited include traditional tailoring, embroidery, basket weaving and traditional instruments. There will be a performance by Adungu Group playing traditional hand made instruments from Sudan.



RSVP: Tuesday 15th June to reception@mrchobart.org.au or phone 03 6221 0999

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The exhibition will be open from 18th June until 30th June 2010 from 11.00 - 5.00pm Tuesday to Friday 10.00am - 2.00pm Saturday during exhibitions.