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Celebrating diversity

Multicultural Month kicks off statewide

THE Culture Train is coming to Emerald on August 27.

Marking the official start of Queensland Multicultural Month, the Culture Train brings together traditional and contemporary multicultural artists in Brisbane before they embark on a statewide tour of regional Queensland locations.

"The program will deliver an exciting program of workshops, concerts and performances throughout regional Queensland, before finishing with a big celebration in Brisbane," multicultural affairs minister Grace Grace said.

"It's a great way to showcase Queensland's multiculturalism while giving regional communities a chance to celebrate Queensland Multicultural Month," she said.

"This year is the first time we have extended our



ALL ABOARD: The Multicultural Train is coming through Emerald.

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biggest and best multicultural celebration from a week to an entire month.

"It means Queenslanders will have even more opportunities to participate in events and activities that recognise and celebrate

our wonderful cultural diversity.

"I can't wait to get out and about and experience as many Queensland Multicultural Month festivities as possible – and I hope all Queenslanders will show their support for the

month.

"In fact, there will be more than 60 events and activities being held across the state, including festivals and fairs, exhibitions, musical performances and workshops, open days and market days."



August is full of exciting dates

PREPARATIONS for the Central Highlands Regional Council's annual Arts in August program are ramping up, with an assortment of exciting events and workshops set

to take place across the region. From the Gemfest exhibition and the multicultural festival to recycled craft workshops, a photo competition, concerts and markets, this year's

offering has something for everyone. A full schedule of events is available from www.centralhighlands.qld.gov.au.

Call 1300242686 for more information.