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National Multicultural Festival 2011

In February 2011, the Children & Young People Commissioner (CYPC) set up a stall at the National Multicultural Festival to meet and talk with children and young people.

As well as just talking with children and young people about the role of the CYPC, the CYPC asked children and young people who visited the stall to take a photograph of 'something which represented themselves'.

The CYPC received just over 120 photographs, all of which were framed and then entered into the *Express Yourself* Art Exhibition at the Belconnen Gallery, Belconnen Community Centre, in March 2011.

During the Multicultural Festival, the CYPC also handed out a written survey asking children and young people about 'their favourite thing about living in a multicultural community'.

The CYPC received just over 60 responses to the survey, with children and young people providing many interesting insights.

Many children and young people spoke about the benefits of being able to experience different cultures, and being exposed to different ideas and ways of doing things, while others spoke about being able to meet people and make friends from around the world. Others also spoke about being able to experience new and different foods, music, clothes and dances.

The CYPC will be talking with a range of individuals and agencies about the results of the survey, and will also be talking more with children and young people about what they said.

For further information, please phone the CYPC on 6205 2222, or email at ACTkids@act.gov.au.



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