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To our VIPs:

First of all thank you for your time and effort. We really do appreciate it.

On behalf of the traditional owners and the township of Laura the Quinkan & Regional Cultural Centre invites your community to celebrate the 18th Laura Festival on June 19-21 2009.

The QRCC and myself are always trying to work with the various clans to improve the Festival on all levels.

I would like to announce that there are 3 categories at this year's event:

1. Encouragement Prize (The Shield)
2. Traditional Costume Prize
3. New Dance Performance

We are really making big efforts to have a Culturally strong, Environmentally & Family Friendly event that will be talked about for future generations.

Many times I think about how beautiful our mob look when they are performing – from the old people through to the new generation – it sometimes overwhelms me to see this exchange.

This is by far the greatest Aboriginal Festival in Australia. And that's because of you.

Also note that we are having night time dancing – under the stars and with coloured lights so let us know when you would like to perform as these are limited spots for Cape York Communities.

This form needs to be completed and faxed to 07 4027 9641 by MAY 1, 2009 - If you need to contact me please do so on 0414353322.

Thank you,

Jeremy Geia
Director
www.laurafestival.tv

PLEASE FAX THIS FORM TO: 07 4027 9641

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TELEVISION & PHOTOGRAPHY

The Laura Festival & certain media Outlets (News Only) will be filming and photographing the performances of each dance group for the event DVD and promotional material for the next Festival in 2011.

We are also giving the option for Communities to allow the visiting Public (anyone) to take photos and shoot film, HOWEVER, THE LAURA FESTIVAL IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR THE MISAPPROPRIATION OF CULTURAL MATERIAL OR COMMERCIAL EXPLOITATION OF YOUR CULTURE.

WILL YOU ALLOW ANYONE TO FILM OR PHOTOGRAPH	YES	NO

If you need copies of your performance, the Official DVD or some images for marketing and promotional purposes then you must fill in this part of the form.

We need your postal address and one contact to send it to please provide those details below.

NAME & ADDRESS	PHONE	EMAIL

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CODE OF CONDUCT

All visitors to the Quinkan Grounds are not allowed to bring any alcohol or drugs into this area. This is a sacred Bora ground and anyone found breaking this law will be ejected and their Community will be notified.

MEDICATION ALERT

Please remember to bring your Medication if you require special needs as the Laura Clinic is a small operation. There is a lot of dust and people suffering from asthma are known to have problems with this.

We do have an Ambulance on site and if there is an emergency then please contact a volunteer (Wearing Orange Shirts); Security Guard (Blue Shirts) or a Festival worker.

As done in the past the Ambulance will be near the Dance Area.