



Clare Sidot and Lilly Karadeda with work to be displayed in Art for Refugees.

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Help refugee kids

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STUDENTS from the University of Western Sydney are raising money for refugee tutoring programs.

They will hold *Art for Refugees* on Friday, June 8, at the university's Parramatta Campus.

Money raised from the exhibition will help the Refugee Action Support Partnership which supports students in years seven to 11 who have recently arrived in Australia as refugees

from countries like Sudan, Sierra Leone and Afghanistan.

Students attend special homework centres twice a week to build on their English and literacy skills and gain assistance with homework.

Organiser of *Art for Refugees* Pam Macquart said for children who had come from countries torn apart by war and violence, school was an entirely new experience

"The programs will help make the transition to Australian schools easier for these children," Ms Macquart said.

"We have had art donated from numerous artists all over Sydney, even as far away as Bundeena."

The exhibition will be held at the UWS Parramatta Campus on Friday, June 8, from 6pm.

For more information, phone Ms Macquart on 0407 466 000.