



Picture this, art show to aid literacy

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LOCAL artists are being asked to donate some of their works for two exhibitions that will raise money for illiterate students.

The Art for Literacy Exhibition, which is being organised through the University of Western Sydney Parramatta campus, is attempting to raise funds for the Australian Literacy and Numeracy Foundation's New Migrant Youth Project.

UWS design student and joint organiser of the exhibition Stephanie Borg said the program aimed to improve literacy levels in migrants. "It is a tutoring program for new migrants from African and Afghani backgrounds in Years 7 to 11 and the program will run in selected schools that are considered high need in western Sydney," she said.

Ms Borg said the idea of aiding literacy was provided by a lecturer from the UWS Parramatta campus. The first exhibition will be on May 30 at Ian Turbott Building on the UWS Parramatta campus, and the second exhibition will run from June 7 to 9 at Beach Art Gallery in Thirroul.

Ms Borg said exhibition organisers hoped to receive 200 pieces of donated artwork.

To register, artists can email their contact details to 15931476@student.uws.edu.au