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Dear Denise

On behalf of NAISDA Dance College I am pleased to provide the Yothu Yindi Foundation with a letter supporting the annual 2017 Garma Festival.

Garma offers a personal cultural experience where our students are able to engage, learn from each other and be immersed in the richness and strength of Yolngu culture.

As a visitor over many years I have seen Garma grow as a place of Indigenous knowledge and how this is transformed into today's world of policy and economic reform with Indigenous knowing at the forefront.

NAISDA's Developing Artists who have attended Garma have expressed the profound effect it has had on their cultural learning from an artistic and political perspective.

NAISDA has been proud that we have been able to send our Developing Artists to the festival over a number of years and look to strengthening our ties in the future.

Each year the Yothu Yindi Foundation delivers a professional and world class global event. We have been fortunate to witness the continuing growth and innovation of the Garma program scheduling and look forward to another inspiring, educating and entertaining four days come 4 – 7 August next year.

Our organisation is a proud supporter of Garma. We look forward to joining the Yolngu clans on their traditional ceremonial meeting ground at the 19<sup>th</sup> annual Garma event hosted by the Yothu Yindi Foundation.

Yours sincerely

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