

“YOUTH CULTURE FESTIVAL”

Saturday, July 10th, 2010
12 – 6pm | Bull’s Head Parking Lot



OVERVIEW

The Youth Culture Festival is an initiative of the Department of Community and Cultural Affairs, that aims to connect young people with the community groups and organizations that are there to support them, as well as expose them to activities that they otherwise wouldn't have access to in one place. This festival will bring all the pieces together and offer a resounding response to the statement “*There’s nothing to do in Bermuda*”. Like the Public Arts Festival, this is a pilot programme for future expansion. The Target Demographic is Teens and Young Adults between the ages of 13 – 30.

As part of the launch of the *Youth Culture Festival*, the **Culture Unwrapped “Urban Playground”** will be created with a *fully functional skate park for BMX, Skateboard, Rollerblades and Parkour / Freerunning*. Included is the creation of blank plywood ‘canvas’ all along the back wall of Bull’s Head to encourage positive Youth Expression in the form of *Graffiti, Airbrush* and other visual arts styles. Once established the *Urban Playground* is intended to stay functional from until September 10th, 2010 as a positive space for youth and the official launch and location will be announced on the event day.

For the main event on July 10th there is stall space available for **any and all Youth Organizations** who wish to promote their programmes, share resources and connect with youth and parents.

There will be **Free Workshops** available in:

Airbrushing & Graffiti | Parkour & Freerunning | DJay & VJing
BMX & Skateboard | R/C Racing
And more...!

However, to participate tickets must be collected from the Youth Organizations present, getting youth in touch with all the resources available in Bermuda just for them!

Vendors will be present with food and drinks, Kid FunCastles, Adult only FunCastles, Laser Tag, Video Game Competitions (on the huge screen!!!) and more, with Prizes to be won and staging provided for dance crews, youth bands, etc to make their mark!

Signage will be posted regarding suitable conduct, and liability waivers must be signed to participate in the day’s events - Parents or Guardians *will* be needed to sign for Under 18s!

Security will be provided by the Bermuda Police Service and private security contractors, and for any altercations an *Anger Management Zone* will be set up to ease any tensions, with Martial Arts groups supervising with technique training and the resources to control negative emotions.

Camera crews will be documenting the events of the entire day and capturing the feedback of the people! Needs assessments and interviews will be run throughout the day providing an opportunity for youth to speak out and be heard, offering valuable insight into the trends and needs of the modern Bermudian youths and how we can better provide outlets for them as a Department and as a community.