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FREE FUN DAY FOR FAMILIES AS STOCKLAND'S PALLARA DISPLAY VILLAGE CELEBRATES DIWALI

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Colourful costumes and high-energy Bollywood dancing will help kick off a free, fun-filled morning for families when Stockland's Pallara community hosts a Diwali festival from 10am to noon on Saturday, 10 November.

The festival is part of a series of events celebrating summer at the Pallara Display Village, located on the corner of Brookbent and Gooderham Roads.

Saturday's action-packed program will also incorporate cultural craft displays, henna tattooing, and children's activities as well as a Bollywood dance performance. Afterwards the dancers will conduct a 20-minute class that everyone can join in.

Diwali Mela, commonly known as the festival of lights, is an ancient Hindu festival celebrated in the northern hemisphere each year in October and November. Spiritually, the festival signifies the victory of light over darkness, knowledge over ignorance, good over evil and hope over despair.

David Laner, Acting Queensland General Manager for Residential at Stockland, encouraged all families and those living in surrounding areas to join in the festivities.

"Pallara's Diwali festival will kick off a series of six upcoming events at our display village celebrating the summer weather as well as providing families with a host of great ideas for new builds and renovations," Mr Laner said.

"This will be an opportunity for families to relax, meet each other and enjoy a range of free entertainment marking an important cultural celebration.

"With some of the best builders in the state showcasing their work at the Pallara Display Village, the Diwali festival will make a great morning out for all ages."

Andrea Lam, Director of Brisbane-based Dance Masala, said Bollywood dancing had risen in popularity because of its infectious energy, brightly coloured costumes, and storytelling, which was mostly based on tales of love and family.

"We are excited to showcase a wide range of Bollywood dance styles for the Diwali celebrations at Pallara. It is so energetic and intricate, there truly will be something for everyone to enjoy," Miss Lam said.

Stockland Pallara is a new community in Brisbane's south-western growth corridor, just 19 kilometres from Brisbane's CBD. Surrounded by lush natural bushland, the community offers a prime location for convenient, family-friendly living at its very best.

For more information, visit the Pallara Sales and Information Centre on the corner of Gooderham Road and Brookbent Road, Pallara, call 1300 619 561 or go to the website at www.stockland.com.au/Pallara. You can also follow the community's progress at Pallara on Facebook at www.facebook.com/stocklandpallara

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