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NSW CELEBRATES YOUTH WEEK 2018

Minister responsible for Youth, Ray Williams joined 150 young people at a forum in Parliament House to launch NSW Youth Week 2018.

More than 100,000 young people, aged 12-24, are expected to participate in over 900 events across NSW over the next week.

Mr Williams said thousands of youth have been involved in organising activities including photography exhibitions, writing competitions and hip-hop dance classes.

“NSW Youth Week offers young people an opportunity to connect with both their peers and their local community,” Mr Williams said.

“It is also an opportunity for me to hear directly from young people about ways the NSW Government can progress services including health and education.”

New polling demonstrated 65 per cent of young people feel NSW is an inclusive society and 40 per cent describe Australia’s national identity as multicultural.

“I encourage young people across the State to join their peers and get involved in their local communities,” Mr Williams said.

A key focus for Youth Week 2018 is engaging regional communities, with more than 65 young people representing regional and rural communities at the Parliament House forum.

The NSW Government provided over \$240,000 to local councils across the State to run locally led community events.

The theme of NSW Youth Week 2018 is “Unity Through Diversity” and its celebrated from 13 to 22 April. To find out what events are happening in your local area visit www.youthweek.nsw.gov.au.

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