

The Committee of Management of
Gippsland Ethnic Communities' Council

takes pleasure in inviting you to a

public lecture

**RECONCILIATION: IMPLICATION AND
DIMINISHMENT**

to be delivered by

Ms. Lillian Holt,

B.A. (History and Journalism) Univ. of Qld., M.A. University of Northern Colorado,
a Vice-Chancellor's Fellow at the University of Melbourne,

on Friday 12 August 2005 at 7.30 pm,
at Club Astoria, Maryvale Crescent, Morwell 3840.

Ms. Holt wrote of her topic: "It deals with how we are all implicated, hence, the human condition. No one is immune from the issues. And what diminishes me as an Aboriginal person has also diminished non-Aboriginal Australia. My speeches are never about Aboriginality or what is most commonly seen as 'The Aboriginal problem'. The idea of being confined by Aboriginality drives me crazy, as I am also informed by Universality. The title will be approached using the five Hs - namely: History, Honesty, Humanity, Humour and Hope."

About the speaker: Ms. Holt was appointed to her present position in 2003. Formerly she was the Director of the University's Centre for Indigenous Education. Currently she is enrolled in a Ph.D. at Melbourne University. Her topic is: Aboriginal humour.

Ms. Holt was born on Cherbourg Aboriginal Settlement, Queensland. She was in the first wave of Aboriginal graduates in Australia and subsequently has worked formally in Aboriginal education for over thirty years.

Ms. Holt has travelled extensively, both in Australia and overseas and has also spoken at a diverse range of conferences, nationally and internationally.

Before taking up her present appointments at Melbourne University, Ms. Holt was Principal at Tauondi (pronounced Town-dee), which is an Aboriginal Community College in Port Adelaide. She worked there for sixteen years, the last seven as the first

Aboriginal Principal.

The evening will be completed by a performance of Sudanese dancers,

as G.E.C.C.'s introduction to Gippsland newest Ethnic group. ***Members of this community will also speak about their journey to Gippsland.***

Admission is free, but donation will be gratefully accepted on the evening.
Light supper and refreshments will be offered.

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