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## Promoting the Larrakia story

The Larrakia Cultural Centre (LCC) when built, will be a physical celebration of Larrakia history, culture, places, language and families. It is therefore LDC's intent to engage with all Larrakia to gather stories of interest to include in the LCC.

The LDC has engaged Leslie Gordon to work with representatives from Larrakia family groups and gather valuable contributions for the LCC's exhibition space.

Lesley is a member of the Shepherd family, she is proud of her culture and Larakia identity, and has a passion for sharing Larrakia knowledge. Leslie has fond memories of her childhood, where she learnt traditional forms of foraging, hunting, and using native flora for medicinal purposes.

Leslie was engaged due to her previous experience in community engagement and project experience. Leslie has facilitated the incorporation of Larrakia knowledge into community programs for a number of projects and organisations, including NGOs, Rangers & NT Schools.

Leslie is looking forward to hearing stories from each of the families to help the LDC and the design team create a space that encompasses the breadth and depth of Larrakia connection to the region.

We encourage the community to support Leslie with this important and significant work.



Leslie Gordon

The stories Leslie collects will contribute to the content of the LCC exhibition and will remain the property of the Larrakia families.

The LDC is passionate about including all Larrakia families in the development of the LCC's exhibition content, and therefore is seeking everyone's collaboration with Leslie as she undertakes her work.

For the last 20 years LDC has always been 'working for all Larrakia' and our approach to the Larrakia Cultural Centre is no different. We aim for the LCC to be the physical embodiment of Larrakia pride in our history and future and showing this unique culture with the world.

Mark Motlop, LDC Chair

Further details on the LCC can be found on our website www.larrakiaculturalcentre.com.au

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