



North West Somali Youth Forum

This day will be a celebration/showcase of Somali culture.

North West Somali Youth Forum proudly invite all our friends and neighbours to join in this day to experience poetry, song, dance and be inspired to create yourself. Joining in can help towards your 'Five ways to well-being' We hope you will Keep Learning throughout the day as you learn about Somali culture and Take Notice, as you reflect on your own culture. Everyone will Connect through stories and poems, sharing experiences and feelings. Rhythms of Somali music will encourage you to join in the (Ciyaar) traditional dance and Be Active.

In this relaxed time, we would like to hear your views on social and health concerns for the neighbourhood, for example antisocial behaviour and khat use. We are planning a community-led programme to discover the value of living near Lodge Lane, and tackle some of the negative issues, We have the pleasure to invite to listen and enjoy to some of the most famous Somali poets including:-



Ahmed Shiikh Jama is a man with many talents poet, storyteller and critique. His famous 'The conference of the Somali animals' is being compared to George Orwells 'Animal Farm'.



Sado Abdi Amarre is a poet whose emotional verses lament the senselessness of the successive civil wars that have affected Somaliland in the aftermath of its secession. Her poems touches the hearts of many and attract enthusiastic audiences.



Hurre Walanwal is a man who specialised the conversational like crossfire poems of the Somali folk dance. His famous sparring with Cambaro is a legendary all over the Somali regions.



Abdinasir Macallin is a musician, singer and above all oud(lute) player. In this year's Somali Week Festival in London the most famous Somali oud(lute) player Xuddeydi blessed Abdinasir on stage to the lute's kingship title.



Ismail Aw Adan(with the turbon) is a poet and comedian who is well known to the Somali's in UK. He always uses his poetry in a softly approach to address some of the most serious social issues that face the community like khat.

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