

08 June 2018

Luminous Lantern Parade

Southbank Parklands

– *Shedding light on settlement*

On 8 June 2018, a few Buddies members attended the annual MDA Lantern Parade at Southbank Parklands in Brisbane. Here are a few photos from the night.



As one Buddies member put it:

“It was such a wonderful event and I am so pleased to have taken part in two of the last three years events. We all found it very heart warming, to see so many thousands cheering everyone who took part in the Parade. With such huge crowds, it does show that there is so much good in the community, which is heart warming. Do hope that the Qld media provide lots of coverage, whether the TV and/or Courier Mail”.

LUMINOUS is now established on the annual Queensland calendar as a show of welcome for new Queenslanders, including refugees, international students, people seeking asylum and migrants. Attended by more than 15 000 people each year, LUMINOUS Lantern Parade is Queensland’s largest welcome event-lighting the way for new Queenslanders!

It celebrates Queensland Week by highlighting the strength of our cultural diversity, our heritage, our people, places and history, giving all Queenslanders the opportunity to say “Welcome” to our newest Australians.

The parade features colourful lanterns of all sizes held by representatives from government, council, business and community groups and the broader Brisbane community celebrating our state’s great cultural diversity.