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## **Shire supporting new event promoting Indigenous fashion designers this Reconciliation Week**

A new event promoting the creative skills of Indigenous fashion designers is being supported by the Shire of Broome this National Reconciliation Week (NRW).

NRW runs from May 27 until June 3 this year and is a time for all Australians to learn about our shared histories, cultures and achievements – and explore how we can achieve reconciliation across Australia.

The Shire is supporting the Broome Fringe Festival event STRUT – a new textiles and fashion show that will take place on the Town Beach Jetty on June 2.

This will be the first event held on the new jetty and groyne, which is much-loved by the community after being completed late last year thanks to funding from the Shire and State Government.

STRUT will showcase textiles and fashion from Aboriginal designers from across the Kimberley, while promoting Indigenous entrepreneurialism and creative skills.

Local Indigenous youth from Burrb Wanggarraju Nurlu will also take part in a unique performance, while the designers' work will be available for sale at the Broome Night Markets after the event.

Shire of Broome president Harold Tracey said the new STRUT event was an exciting proposition during Reconciliation Week.

"The Shire is very proud to support the establishment of the STRUT event, which will be a stunning showcase of Indigenous talent," he said.

"The WA creative industries contribute an estimated \$3.3 billion to the WA economy annually, so we are really proud to support an event that brings some of that benefit to local indigenous designers.

"Broome is one of the most multicultural places in Australia and the Shire is certainly committed to reconciliation.

"Events like STRUT promote the message of *Be Brave. Make Change*, which is the theme for National Reconciliation Week in 2022.

"I'd encourage the entire community to get behind this fantastic initiative."

STRUT will take place at Town Beach from 5-8pm on Thursday, June 2. It is a ticketed event – to purchase your tickets, [click here](#).

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