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The Hon. Graham West MP
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The biggest Youth Week celebration at Sydney's Royal Easter Show

NSW Youth Minister, Graham West, is encouraging families to come along to the biggest NSW Youth Week event for 2009, 'The Big Top Festival', over the Easter long weekend.

Mr West said 'The Big Top Festival' will be held at Sydney's Royal Easter Show.

"This is a great festival-style event for the family, featuring a range of interactive workshops for young people such as 'Hip Hop', 'breakdancing' and 'DJ'," Mr West said.

"Triple J Radio will also be presenting a music concert from 6pm every evening, with sets from some of our best young bands.

"Young people will have the opportunity to see some great sideshow acts, and will have access to a beanbag lounge, a lemonade bar and a free photo-booth.

"The 'Big Top Festival' will be based at the Sydney Royal Easter Show amphitheatre, and the adjacent lawn area.

"While Youth Week took place between 28 March to 5 April; activities and events are still rolling out across the State.

"Youth Week in NSW is funded by the NSW Government, which this year allocated almost \$240,000 to councils across NSW towards the cost of staging Youth Week activities and events.

"The 'Big Top Festival' is what Youth Week is all about; young people getting involved, being heard and showcasing their talent.

"Nearly every aspect of Youth Week is organised and designed by young people; from the promotional material and the website, to the events and activities themselves.

"The success of Youth Week is testament to the creativity and hard work of thousands of young people from all over NSW.

"I would like to wish everyone all the best at this weekend's 'Big Top Festival' at the Royal Easter Show," Mr West said.

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