Stage awaits spectacular talents

A cast of more than 70 Kyabram P-12 College students is gearing up to take centre-stage at one of Australia's biggest arena productions this weekend.

Students from the primary and secondary campuses will be participating in the massive song and dance extravaganza Shine On 2010: Victorian State Schools Spectacular at Melbourne's Hisense Arena.

Packed full of dazzling costumes, amazing choreography and upbeat melodies, the performance will encompass a 2500-strong massed choir and dance group as well as a number of vocalists and an 80-piece quasi-professional student orchestra.

Kyabram has a long history of providing talented vocalists, musicians and dancers for the Victorian event.

Year 11 student Luke Meeking will again take a solo part — one of just 33.

For the first time in its history the 2010 Victorian State Schools Spectacular will be screened on television, in October.

Although Shine On has nearly sold out its Sunday afternoon performance, there are still tickets available for the Saturday matinee and evening performances, showing at 2 pm and 7.30 pm at Hisense Arena in Melbourne.

So far there have been nearly 150 tickets sold in the Kyabram area.

Organisers Sue Meeking, Vivienne Thomas, Helen Chapman and students have put in many hours of work rehearsing in the lead-up to this weekend, and thank the community for its support.

The Victorian State Schools Spectacular is a biannual musical extravaganza put together by the Victorian Government and Joining the Chorus, which works to showcase the abilities of students within government schools.

The event provides extensive performance opportunities for students statewide.

Ticket inquiries and purchases can be made at www.ticketek.com