

## LATEST EVENTS

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### Filipino Playwrights in Human Rights Festival

JUNE 22-JULY 1—Two Filipino playwrights, Jorshinelle Taleon-Sonza and Kristine M. Reyes are featured in the Festival. The project will also include Jacqueline Wade, the producer of Women of Color Productions which sponsors the festival. The festival highlights the struggle and power of women characters from the Philippines, Rwanda, Nazi Germany and NY. For more info, check: [info.womenofcolorproductions@gmail.com](mailto:info.womenofcolorproductions@gmail.com) and at [www.womenofcolorprocitymax.com](http://www.womenofcolorprocitymax.com)

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### Phil-Am Friendship Day parade at Philadelphia

JULY 4—Join the Philippine American Friendship Day parade at the birthplace of American independence in Philadelphia starting at 11 a.m. sharp. Roads will be closed at 9 a.m. so all cars of participants and spectators must be parked before 9 .am. Come in national costumes. The parade will end at 2 p.m., after which a pool party for DC parade participants will be hosted by Philadelphia/NJ Fil-Am community leaders Dr. Rommel and Dr. Aida Rivera. Later, there will be fireworks display in Washington, D.C. in celebration of Phil-Am Friendship Day. To join, e-mail [migrantheritage@gmail.com](mailto:migrantheritage@gmail.com) or call Grace Valera, Jesse Gatchalian or Arnedo Valera at 202.247.0117 or 202.631.8856.

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### Screening of 'Modern Slaves' with Pinoy overseas workers

JULY 9—A community screening of Marie Boti's film "Modern Heroes, Modern Slaves," about the condition and struggles of overseas Filipino workers, will be presented by Anakbayan from 5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Social Space, Gilligan Student Union Bldg., New Jersey City University (NJCU), 2039 John F. Kennedy Blvd., Jersey City, N.J. 07305. As part of the National Alliance

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for Filipino Concern's (NAFCON) "Stop Trafficking Our People" or STOP Campaign, the film aims to raise awareness on the conditions that push 4,000+ Filipinos, 60% women, to migrate and look for jobs overseas. From NYC, take PATH train from 33rd and get off at Exchange Place, then take Light Rail to West Side Ave. Walk to Culver St. towards NJCU. From N J, take Bus 80 or Bus 10 from Journal Square and get off at Culver Ave. For details, e-mail [anakbayan.nynj@gmail.com](mailto:anakbayan.nynj@gmail.com)

or call Bea Sabino, (201)779-6886.

7th Ambassadors, Consuls General tour to the Philippines set

JULY 11-15—The 7th Ambassadors, Consuls General and Tourism Directors Tour to the Philippines is now open for reservations. Tour inclusions: 4-5 nights at a hotel in Manila with daily buffet breakfast, lunch at Malacanang Palace, three dinners with special entertainment, choice of out of town day tour and other tour options, etc. For inquiries, call 212.575.7915 or e-mail [Pdotny@aol.com](mailto:Pdotny@aol.com)

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Learn Filipino dance at Van Cortlandt House Lawn

JULY 12—The Van Cortlandt Park Conservancy is inviting the public to take part in its summer dance and music series called "Barefoot Dancing" featuring the Philippine Cultural Group "Kinding Sindaw." Free dance instruction and live music on the Van Cortlandt House Lawn from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. Parking space at Golf House Lot or take the #1 subway train to 242nd Street and enter the park on foot at Broadway & West 246th Street. Call 718.430.1890 for directions and other info or visit [www.vcpark.org](http://www.vcpark.org) for a map.

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Filipino School of NY & NJ offer folk dance classes

JULY 14—The Filipino School of New York and New Jersey is currently conducting Philippine folk dance lessons for children ages 4 to 12. The five-week session began Jun 16 and will end July 14, from 11 a.m. to noon at PACCAL Neighborhood Center, 380 Monmouth Street in Jersey City, N.J. Cost is \$25 per student, per class (covers registration fee, materials and maintenance of costumes and props, music, equipment and other incidentals. To register, visit

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222.filschool-nynj.org or call Venessa Manzano, school director, at 774.257.4996 ( [info@filschool-nynj.org](mailto:info@filschool-nynj.org) )

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PMAA, APMAA hold joint anniversary/presidential ball

JULY 21—The Philippine Medical Association in America (PMAA), Inc. and the Auxiliary to the Philippine Medical Association (APMAA) will hold joint 65th anniversary and presidential ball at Astoria World Manor, 25-22 Astoria Blvd., Queens, N.Y., starting at 7:30 p.m. Dr. Edgar Lerias, president of PMAA 2012; and Fe Sales, past president of APMAA will be honored, along with the Jubilarians of 2012. Attire: formal/Filipiniana.

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QMHSN grand reunion at Hyatt Regency in Vancouver

AUG. 3-5—The Quezon Memorial Hospital School of Nursing (QMHSN) will hold its grand reunion at Hyatt Regency Hotel at Burrard Street, Vancouver BC V6C2R7. Highlights are formal dinner-dance ball reunion mass and get-together cruise. Make payments to Lourdes P. Serrano (treasurer) at #7-4965 47th Ave. Delta, BC Canada V4K 4N9. For more information, e-mail any of the following [vibar@shaw.ca](mailto:vibar@shaw.ca) (Mario Vibar), [evramos\\_78@yahoo.com](mailto:evramos_78@yahoo.com) (Evelyn Ramos), [np\\_xmas@yahoo.com](mailto:np_xmas@yahoo.com) (Nora Pasco) or [luluppelipadaserrano@yahoo.com](mailto:luluppelipadaserrano@yahoo.com) (Lulu Serrano).

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S.I. North Star Lions Club Anniversary

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AUG. 26—The Staten Island North Star Lions Club cordially invites you to its Fifth Anniversary at the Historic Old Bermuda Inn, 301 Veterans Road West, Staten Island, NY 10309 from 12-4pm. \$60 per person. Honorees: Claire M. Regan, Assoc. Mgr. Editor, Staten Island Advance and Carol Ann Benanti, Inside Out, Staten Island Advance. Music by DJ. RSVP by 8/10. For more info, call: Manny & Tess Carreon 347-751-7193; Ben & Lydia Gupit 718-317-9424; Eileen Magno 347-308-2825; Mario Nieves 718-494-6223; A. Nazareno Ocampo 718-612-9054 and Bert Olimpo 347-308-0426.

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'Fiesta Atenista' alumni confab at Las Vegas' Riviera Hotel

OCT. 18—The Ateneo Las Vegas group will host "Fiesta Atenista," the theme of the 10th All Ateneo Alumni Convention scheduled on Oct. 18 to 21 at the Riviera Hotel & Casino in Las Vegas. Dinner ball will be on the penthouse floor, The Top of the Riv. To reserve a room, call 1-800-634-6753 and ask for the \$59 group rate for "Ateneo Convention" or "2012 Ateneo Reunion." For details, contact any of the following Ateneo alumni: Nonoy Morada [moradaramon@yahoo.com](mailto:moradaramon@yahoo.com)  
(702) 686-2885, Dr. Jun Farrales  
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(678) 777-8988, or Jun Montenegro  
[rudyjr99@aol.com](mailto:rudyjr99@aol.com)  
(646) 266-8208. Visit the official website of the convention at [www.fiestaatenista.com](http://www.fiestaatenista.com) for complete list of activities and program.

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Filipino Apostolate's Pilgrimage to the Canonization of Blessed Pedro Calungsod

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OCT. 19-26—The Filipino Apostolate of the Archdiocese of New York cordially invites you to a Pilgrimage to the Canonization of Blessed Pedro Calungsod and to the religious sites of Rome, Orvieto & Assisi. Pilgrimage Cost: \$ 3099 from JFK International Airport. Airport taxes and fuel surcharges are included. \$100 Early Booking Discount! If Reserved by May 31, 2012. For further details and reservations, please contact: Cecile Dumdum 650-580-1544 [cecile\\_dumdu\\_m@yahoo.com](mailto:cecile_dumdu_m@yahoo.com).

Rev. Joseph G. Marabe, JCD, Director, Filipino Apostolate of the Archdiocese of New York and Mrs. Eleanor DeLeon, Honorary Overall Chair/ Coordinator.

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### Journeys in Faith Travel's Blessed Pedro Calungsod Canonization

OCT. 19-26—Journeys in Faith Travel Ministry prayerfully invites you to the Blessed Pedro Calungsod Canonization and Pilgrimage to Rome, Orvieto & Assisi. Rev. Father Patrick Longalong, Filipino Diocesan Apostolate, Diocese of Brooklyn & Queens Coordinator, Pilgrim,s Spiritual Director. Cost: \$ 3099 from JFK International Airport. Airport taxes and fuel surcharges are included. \$100 Early Booking Discount. If reserved by May 31, 2012. For further details and reservations, please contact: Susan Gasis, tour coordinator. Tel: 646-227-8582 or e-mail: [losuj\\_o2002@yahoo.com](mailto:losuj_o2002@yahoo.com)