



KALINAWA ART FOUNDATION

Media Release

INDIGENOUS PEOPLES' VISUAL ARTS EXHIBIT IN TUGUEGARAO CITY

From July 06 to July 12 the *Kalinawa Art Foundation (KAF)* in partnership with the Provincial Government of Cagayan thru the Provincial Museum Office the City Government of Tuguegarao brings the Indigenous Peoples' visual fine art of Region 11 to the world. An open art show and competition were held at the Paseo Reale Mall, Rizal Street in Tuguegarao City. A total of 34 artists participated in the exhibition of 54 artworks.



RIBBON CUTTING

In celebration of the coming together of different creative minds, the Ibalois of Benguet offered a prayer called "Bajongjong" in this prayer they express their gratitude to Mr. David Gilinsky and to the foundation. Mr. Tito A. Perlas Jr. (Provincial Administrator Province of Cagayan) Mr. Mike Lim (City Administrator, Tuguegarao City) and Mr. Gilinsky gave welcome speeches. The opening ceremony continued with musical and dance performances by the Cagayan National High school Ensemble and Choir, and some traditional dances of the Agtas of Penablanca were also performed. Special attendees included Director Blessida Diwa (Department of Tourism, Region 2), Ms. Fanibeth Domingo also from DOT, and Ms. Purita Licas (Director, Philippine Information Agency).

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PERFORMERS

The opening ceremony began with the doxology by Claudio Morgado Jr and Concorcion Bibis, followed by traditional prayers from different tribes (the Ibalios of Benguet, the Agtas of Penablanca and the Sanches Mira. Traditional dance was performed by the Cagayan High School Ensemble. At the awarding ceremony the national anthem was sung by the Cagayan National High School Choir which was followed by a traditional wedding dance by the Agtas of Penablanca and a dance performance by the Kalingas of the Kalinga Province.





SOIL PAINTING

A soil painting workshop was facilitated by Ronald a T'boli artist from Kiamba, Sarangani Province.



VOLUNTEERS

The volunteers who helped this event succeed are: Edith Rodriguez, Rose Gutierrez, Ofelia Dimalanta, Salud Vitug, Claudio Morgado, Emma Gamad, Laurreta Malbog, Rey Balisi, Lucio Taguiam, Pol Agustin, Wilson Soriano, and Rizal Malbog Jr.

JUDGES

Judges for the competition were Prof. Eric B. Zerrudo, Mrs. Perla A. Visorro, Mrs. Maria Milagros N. Fernan Cayosa, Atty. Venancio C. Del Rosario Jr. and Dr. Shamon Abraham



WINNERS



Open 2 Dimensional: 1st Prize (Ritual by Felson Maralli), 2nd Prize (Puppet Show by Lucio Taguam Jr.), 3rd Prize (Night Vendors by Lucio Taguam Jr), Jury Selection (Courtship by Felson Maralli).
 Open 3 Dimensional: 1st Prize (Taong Lupa by Joey F. Areola) 2nd Prize (Tukak or Frog by Francisco Tannagan) 3rd Prize (Dawak or Wild Duck by Francisco Tannagan), Jury Selection (Campfire by Felson Maralli) Youth Category: 1st Prize (Gabi na Ibanag by John Benito D. Bartolome, 2nd Prize (Fluvial Parade by Micah Y. Ayuyang) 3rd Prize (Past Present & Future by John

Benito D. Bartolome) Jury Selection (Mag Kalesa Tam by Prikern Leighry Balbuena), Traditional Category: 1st Prize 9 (Kalinga Traditional Attire by Carol Bawer Coronan), 2nd Prize (Eten (Ibalaoi Traditional Attire by Mildred Benito), 3rd Prize (Labba by Marita Salvino Mondejar) and Jury Selection (Arpa or Harp by Danilo A. Utanes)

Following on this event in Tuguegarao, the *Kalinawa Art Foundation* will partner with other institutions at several other events to bring Indigenous Peoples visual art to the public eye:

- Dipolog City, Mindanao from September 27 to October 05, 2009
- Tagum City, Mindanao from November 04 to November 12, 2009
- Davao del Sur, Mindanao from November 16 to November 22, 2009

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