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Media Release

3rd ANNUAL SOCSARGEN INDIGENOUS PEOPLES' VISUAL ART SHOW IN GENERAL SANTOS CITY

The Kalinawa Art Foundation (www.kalinawa.com) in partnership with the General Santos City Culture and Arts Council, and the Economic Management and Cooperative Development Office and Notre Dame of Dadiangas University hosted the 3rd Annual Indigenous Peoples' Visual Art Show and Competition entitled– “Shifting Forms” on February 16 to February 22, 2009 at the HR Lobby, Notre Dame of Dadiangas University, Marist Avenue, General Santos City.



Ribbon Cutting

From L - R - Vice Mayor Flor Congson, (General Santos City) Ms. Maritess Esteva (Coordinator of Student Affairs Notre Dame of Dadiangas University and David Gilinsky (Founder - Kalinawa Art Foundation)



The Gallery



Messages of appreciation and commendation were delivered by David Gilinsky of Kalinawa Art Foundation



Vice Mayor Flor Congson represent Mayor Pedro B. Atcharon and read his message of appreciation to the *Foundation*.



The emcee on the opening ceremony was Mr. Gabriel Francis Glenwill N. Gonzales and Ms. Raquel Palma Gil presided over the awarding ceremony.

Performers



The General Santos Government Employees Performing Artist Company – Dance Division, The T'boli Student of Mindanao State University of GSC Indigenous Peoples' Student Associations, presented cultural and traditional performances. The NDDU Likas Teatro members gave the Tri People Prayer on the awarding ceremony and Ms. Karen Soliman sang the National Anthem.



Winners

3 Dimensional Category: Remelito Formentera - (Hadukay), Samuel Padilla (Nagbayo) Medie Sabal (Hanga Uhu), Carlos Cabrera Padilla (Celebration of Life). 2 Dimensional Category: Juffred Sibag (Gusto Ko Maging), Ronito Subaldo (Friendship), Antonio Altheo Talon (Home of Love). Traditional Category : Cabuyan Tamfalan (Big Basket), Sheryle Bagong (Wall Frame w/Head Dress & Tinalak) Awellando Samblang (Hilet -Hanwuk), Natalina Celestino (Tungkayan Bag). Youth Category: Roselyn Kuyan (Tabing Dagat & Dagat), Jerrie Ann Tamfalan (Hekung), Alma Salayan (Bulol Bong Ming Gel)

The Volunteers



Workshop



Forty indigenous artists coming from different areas in General Santos, Sarangani province and South Cotobato submitted 166 visual artworks. The showcase was categorized into Traditional, Youth, 3-Dimensional Open, and 2-Dimensional Open. Cash prizes were awarded to deserving winning entries. A painting workshop facilitated by Ronald Tamfalan, a T'boli artist from Kiamba, Sarangani Province and Altheo Talon from upper labay General Santos City was held at the Dameans' Park in Notre Dame of Dadiangas University.

Bing Carino an artist, writer and interior designer, curated the exhibit. He is also a regional representative on the committee on visual arts for the NCCA Board of Directors.

Judging the art competitions were Dr. Jose Tranquilino L. Ruiz, Mr. Marlind L. Marcelo Remedios Datukan, Arch. Michael Ang and Father Louie Pedrajaz. In addition to the community sale and public viewing of artworks, there was also the uploading of artists' biographical and art pieces' data for the Kalinawa Art Foundation's website (www.kalinawa.com). As the art event focuses on the indigenous person as artist and creator, the choice of a subject matter or theme and preference to material or medium used were for each individual participant to decide. Several indigenous artists from all over the province were previously informed, consulted, invited and encouraged to participate in the event. The exhibition was a showcase of various expressions and manifestations by both seasoned and upcoming artists.

Following this event, the Kalinawa Art Foundation will be having its 2nd Annual Indigenous Peoples' Visual Art show in Malaybalay City, Bukidnon from March 09 to March 15 2009

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