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Indigenous Peoples' Visual Art Show in Malaybalay City, Bukidnon

The Kalinawa Art Foundation in partnership with the Provincial Tourism Office, Association of Local Artists of Bukidnon, Inc. (ALAB), and Asian Hills Bank will bring the Indigenous Peoples' Visual Art Show and Competition in Bukidnon to the 3rd floor of the Asian Hills Building, Malaybalay City from April 08 to April 13, 2008.

Indigenous peoples confront a diverse range of concerns associated with their status and interaction with other cultural groups, as well as changes in their inhabited environment. Some challenges are specific to particular groups; however, other challenges are commonly experienced. Thus, the visual arts have an important place in the continuing survival of Indigenous Peoples and their cultures. The mission of the *Kalinawa Art Foundation* is to build on this inherent talent of the Indigenous Peoples of the Philippines by supporting institutional mechanisms that will assist in the development of a visual fine arts sector that celebrates their culture, promotes talent, develop skills, facilitates training and builds cross-cultural education.

The Provincial Tourism Office oversees and coordinates tourism activities of the province as well as national and regional tourism programs and projects. It also oversees and monitors the development and maintenance of tourists' spots and business establishments while monitoring foreign and local tourist arrivals. It is an important institution for Indigenous Peoples because in this instance, it initiates and coordinates activities geared towards the preservation of the Bukidnon culture.

ALAB is a SEC registered art group composed of aspiring and practicing Bukidnon artists who seek to nurture the growth of local artistic mettle by celebrating and popularizing Bukidnon art. They are also developing mastery of the universal human condition and its transcendence. ALAB stands firm in its commitment to nurture local artistic talents so that they can become tomorrow's leading visual artists.

Asian Bank Hills, started commercial operations in 1998, their speedy expansion has been brought about by their corporate social economic environmental responsibility.

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So together with the Foundation they are excited to welcome the general public on April 11 Thursday to April 13 Sunday, to view a splendid selection of art at the 3rd and 4th floors of Asian Hills Building on Fortich St., Malaybalay City from 08:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The artworks will then be available for purchase on April 12 Saturday from 08:00 to 5:00 p.m.

Mr. Jun Jamero, an educational consultant of Lyceum Mawab (MWB) and Sto. Nino College in Tagum City will curate this exciting exhibit. He is also a project director, project officer, coordinator, and liaison in Davao del Norte

Indigenous Peoples' artists are invited to participate in the exhibit by registering their art works on April 08 Tuesday from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m and continuing the next day April 09 from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. A total of P36, 000 in prizes will be divided among winners of four categories and presented at the Awards Ceremony on April 12 Thursday at 5:00 p.m.

The categories are: Traditional—pieces based on Indigenous traditional knowledge and/or materials; Youth—open category for artists under 18 years of age; Open Two Dimensional—any two-dimensional medium excluding photography, which can include but is not limited to paintings, drawings, tapestries and etchings; and Open Three Dimensional—any three-dimensional medium, including but not limited to sculpture, pottery and terracotta

Other related activities, including workshops and fora will also be organized.

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