

DLSU partners with CCP for Philippine premier of *The Kingmaker*



three Critics' Choice nominations, and the Critics' Choice honor for the "Most Compelling Living Subject of a Documentary."

A panel discussion on "Upholding Freedom of Expression in the Arts" was held following the premiere, with DLSU Political Science Associate Professor Ronald Holmes, curator Marian Pastor Roces, and Bantayog ng mga Bayani Executive Director May Rodriguez.

CCP vice president and artistic director Chris Millado opened the discussion. He said: "We can't deny the relations of the center with the Marcoses, but CCP has moved on to become a People's Art Center. The CCP has always been a platform for artistic expressions and rational conversations. We are presenting a documentary tackling an issue that we are concerned about, as a Filipino people."

Written and directed by Emmy Award-winning filmmaker and photographer Lauren Greenfield, the documentary film examines the controversial history of Filipino politician Imelda Marcos and her family.

The documentary is the first of its kind to be invited to these four international film festivals: Venice, Telluride, Toronto, and London. It has since garnered a Writers Guild nomination,

CE faculty member elected as Tokyo Tech Fellow



Gallardo (left) and Tokyo Tech Philippines Office Director Nishizaki
Photo credit: Tokyo Institute of Technology

IN RECOGNITION OF HIS YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE to the Tokyo Tech Philippines Office, DLSU Gokongwei College of Engineering faculty member and Tokyo Tech Philippines Office Advisor Engr. Ronaldo Gallardo was elected as a Tokyo Tech Fellow by the Institute's Board of Directors last December 6.

Tokyo Tech Philippine Office Director and Global Scientific Information Center Professor Shin-ya Nishizaki presented Gallardo with a certificate in Manila on December 13.

Since the establishment of the Tokyo Tech Philippines Office on the DLSU Manila campus in September 2005, Gallardo has been instrumental in supporting Tokyo Tech's many activities in the country.

He has cooperated in the management of the Tokyo Tech Philippines Office, supported inbound and outbound exchange programs between Tokyo Tech and DLSU, promoted research exchanges between Tokyo Tech and the Philippines, and supported the activities of the Association of Tokyo Tech Alumni and Research Scholars (ATTARS), the Tokyo Tech alumni network in the island nation.

Gallardo has served in various roles over the years, including as associate vice president, associate vice chancellor, and technical advisor in the Office of the President and Chancellor. He is a faculty member of the Civil Engineering Department. (Source: Tokyo Tech News)

FACTS and FIGURES

De La Salle University Taal Volcano Eruption Relief Operations

9
Evacuation centers served

PHP 507,217.10
Total cash donations

400
Relief Packs Distributed to Evacuees in Lian and San Luis, Batangas

PHP 134,108.00
Total worth of in-kind goods

116
Families helped by the Laguna Campus

144 ADULTS & 57 KIDS
Served by DLSU Office of Counseling and Career Services (OCCS) Counselors and the De La Salle-College of Saint Benilde during psychological first aid sessions at Sto. Toribio Elementary School Evacuation Center on January 18, 2020

Data as of February 4, 2020 - 6:00PM
Source: The Center for Social Concern and Action



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PHL's most productive university in research

DE LA SALLE UNIVERSITY IS THE COUNTRY'S MOST PRODUCTIVE RESEARCH INSTITUTION based on publications indexed by Scopus.

The University has produced more than 600 Scopus-indexed publications in 2019, which is the highest output on record for any Philippine institution in a single calendar year. DLSU's

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Most productive research institution, from Page 1

publications comprise an estimated 15% of the national research output.

Scopus is the largest abstract and citation database of global research literature.

In line with this latest achievement, Vice Chancellor for Research and Innovation Dr. Raymond Tan says, "DLSU is fully committed to knowledge creation through research as a means of contributing to nation-building."

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DLSU LAGUNA CAMPUS UPDATE

I-NANO RESEARCH FACILITY EMBARKS ON DOST'S SPACESUIT PROJECT

DE LA SALLE UNIVERSITY'S I-NANO SOLUTIONS, A RESEARCH FACILITY COMMITTED TO DEVELOPING NANOTECH PRODUCTS AND SERVICES FOR BOTH INDUSTRY AND SOCIETY, HAS EMBARKED on a Php15 million collaborative Department of Science and Technology-funded project on abaca fabric for spacesuits application.

DLSU is undertaking the project in collaboration with Technological University of the Philippines, FEATI University, Philippine Nuclear Research Institute, and the Philippine Textile Research Institute.

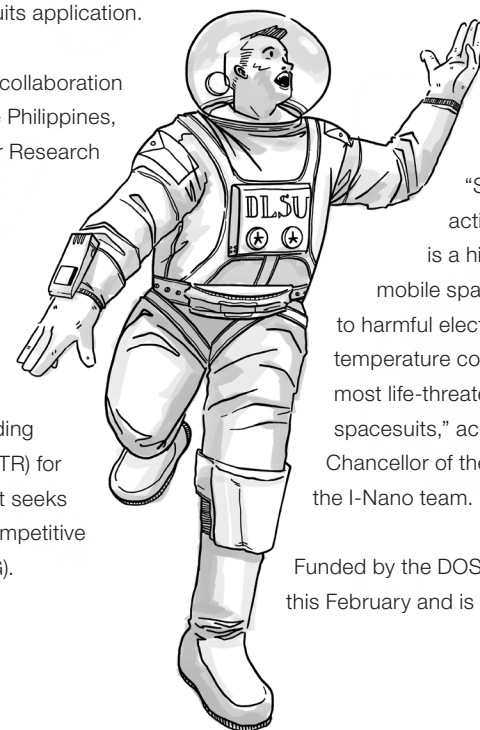
Entitled "Fabrication and Characterization of Hydrophobic Nanocomposite Plated Abaca Fabric for the Enhanced Electromagnetic Interference Shielding (EMI-SE) and Thermal Resistance (TR) for Spacesuits Application," the project seeks to produce a less expensive but competitive Thermo Mechanical Garment (TMG).

TMG is the outermost layer worn by a space explorer. Also, it is responsible for the protection from electromagnetic waves and extreme temperature changes.

The study aims to fabricate a layered structure of fabric out of Abaca fibers coated by nanocomposite material for electromagnetic interference shielding and thermal resistance.

"Since the 1960s, when extra vehicular activity (EVA) has been introduced, there is a higher demand for more protective and mobile spacesuits for space explorers. Exposure to harmful electromagnetic waves and extreme temperature condition in the outer space are the most life-threatening factors to consider in designing spacesuits," according to Dr. Gil Nonato Santos, Vice Chancellor of the DLSU Laguna Campus and head of the I-Nano team.

Funded by the DOST EXECOM, the research broke ground this February and is set for completion by January 2022.



13th DLSU Arts Congress

DLSU HELD ITS 13TH EDITION OF THE ARTS CONGRESS LAST FEBRUARY 11 AND 12 with the theme, "Pamana at Sining: Valuing the arts, rediscovering heritage and reaffirming identities."

Plenary guest speakers were Prof. Reynaldo Ileta, honorary professor of the School of Culture, History and Languages of the College of Asia and the Pacific in Australian National University, with his talk "Heroes and Villains from 1896 to the Present: Their Shifting Roles in the Narrative of the Nation," and Prof. Maria Serena Diokno, professor of History of the College of Social Sciences and Philosophy of the University of the Philippines-Diliman, with her talk, "Challenges in Preserving Tangible Heritage."

Also part of the conference was the launching of the book of Dr. Ma. Florina Orillos-Juan from the History Department titled, *Kasaysayan at Bulnerabilidad: Ang*

Lipunang Pilipino sa Harap ng Pananalanta ng Pesteng Balang, 1569-1949. The launch was jointly organized by the DLSU Publishing House (DLSUPH) and the College of Liberal Arts' Assistant Dean for Research and Advanced Studies.

Parallel sessions, roundtable discussions, and poster presentations were held during the two-day conference, as well as a photo exhibit with the theme, "Pamana at Sining and Imagenes de Cabite" staged at the 6th floor of the Learning Commons.

The annual Arts Congress was organized in collaboration with the College of Saint Benilde. It aimed to promote interdisciplinary discourse on campus, research in the arts, and to inspire creativity among the members of the Lasallian community.

Photos, from top: Prof. Maria Serena Diokno; Prof. Reynaldo Ileta; DLSUPH Executive Publisher Dr. Jonathan David Bayot and book author Dr. Ma. Florina Orillos-Juan



Mural project at the Libraries highlights US-PHL partnership

LAST FEBRUARY 3, THE AMERICAN CORNER (AC) IN MANILA AT DE LA SALLE UNIVERSITY'S THE LIBRARIES LAUNCHED the AC US-PHL Friends, Partners, Allies Mural Project.

The event was attended by art student volunteers along with their mentors. DLSU President Br. Raymundo Suplido FSC and US Embassy Assistant Cultural Affairs Officer Nina Lewis graced the celebration.

For the last 20 years, American Corner Manila at the DLSU Libraries has remained as an inclusive program and resource space for the public, offering access to information about the US, cultural and educational exchange opportunities, English Language resources, Education USA advising, and a wide range of innovation programs, among many others. (Source: American Spaces Philippines FB page)



Br. Raymundo Suplido FSC and US Embassy Assistant Cultural Affairs Office Nina Lewis (left and middle photos) at the launch of the mural project at the American Corner in Manila; At right, the art student volunteers

New members of Society of Fellows

DLSU's Society of Fellows named two new members during the 9th Annual Pillars of Lasallian Education Excellence, held last January 24 at the Henry Sy, Sr. Hall: Dr. Divina Amalin of the Biology Department and Dr. Dinah Roma of the Literature Department.

Members of this premier group have been conferred the title of University Fellow in recognition of their distinguished teaching, research, and publication in their field of study, and their meritorious service to the University.



Dr. Dinah Roma
Keeping the arts and social sciences in collaborative play

AN ACCOMPLISHED CULTURAL SCHOLAR AND IMPORTANT POET OF HER GENERATION, Dr. Dinah Roma has consistently demonstrated the intertwining of the arts and social sciences in her work.

Her recent manuscript under a competitive writer's grant by the National Book Development of the Philippines showcases her take on the local history of her hometown Basey, Samar as well as her poetry that attends to Basey as a place

of deep familial memory. A similar interweaving of disciplines can also be seen in *Naming the Ruins*, her third poetry collection published by Vagabond Press, Australia. She follows in the footsteps of renowned Filipino scholars as a Senior Research Fellow at the Asian Research Institute of the National University of Singapore.

A Full Professor of the Literature Department, she has crossed over to the International Studies Department as a shared

faculty since 1998. She also served as Director of the Bienvenido N. Santos Creative Writing Center for two years and Chair of the Literature Department for over five years.

Roma earned her Bachelor's degree with a double major in Literature and Marketing Management at DLSU in 1990, Master's degree in Comparative Culture at Kyoritsu Women's University in Tokyo in 1997, and PhD in Literature at DLSU in 2006.



Dr. Divina Amalin
In pursuit of alternative, agricultural solutions

BEYOND HER CAREER AS AN EDUCATOR, DR. DIVINA AMALIN OF THE BIOLOGY DEPARTMENT HAS DEVOTED her work to advancing studies on environment-friendly alternatives to agricultural insecticides and pesticides.

Amalin's publications and research achievements reflect a strong background in entomological research, particularly in Integrated Pest Management. Her research emphasizes the use of biological control agents or the natural enemies of insect pests.

She also has thorough training on taxonomy and biosystematics of spiders both of agricultural and medical importance. In her Ph.D. dissertation at the University of Florida, she proved that spiders are an important component of the natural enemy complex of the citrus leafminer in South Florida.

During her postdoctoral fellowship, she was one of the project leaders of the Florida and Offshore Biological Control Initiative: A cooperative Agreement between the University of Florida and USDA-APHIS-PPQ Eastern Region.

Currently, she is working on the IPM program for cacao pests in the Philippines and assumes the chairmanship for the ASEAN Cocoa Club Technical Working Group on Good Agricultural Practices. She is also involved in the control of coconut scale insect (Cocolisap) using biological control agents.

Amalin received her Bachelor's and Master's degree in Entomology from the University of the Philippines Los Baños.



Salonga

LASALLIAN SOCIAL ENTERPRISE FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (LSEED) PROGRAM COORDINATOR NORBY SALONGA HAS BEEN CHOSEN as one of the 25 professional fellows of the Young Southeast Asian Leaders Initiative (YSEALI) by the American Councils on International Education and the U.S. State Department Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs.

The YSEALI Professional Fellows Program is a two-way exchange program designed to promote mutual understanding, enhance leadership and professional skills, as well as build lasting, sustainable partnerships between mid-level emerging leaders from Southeast Asia and the United States.

The program provides emerging leaders the opportunity to spend five weeks in the United States, including four weeks working directly with their American counterparts in individually tailored work placements, together with relevant private and/or public sector organizations.

An integral part of the two-way program is for American participants who have hosted foreign fellows to travel overseas for participant-driven reciprocal programs.

Grantee of US fellows program for sustainable partnership



"Lasallians A.C.T. (Action on the Coronavirus Threat): Combat the scare. Be aware." is DLSU's information campaign to prevent and manage the spread of the Coronavirus Acute Respiratory Disease (COVID-19).

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