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Cultural Center of the Philippines President Visits New York with Plans to Expand Cultural Literacy Programs in Filipino Communities



CCP President Mr. Arsenio J. Lizaso (Center) met with Philippine Consulate General in New York officials Consul Arman Talbo (2nd from left), Vice Consul Khrystina Corpuz Popov (2nd from right), and Cultural Officer Olive Osias-Magpile (rightmost) at the Philippine Consulate General New York last 10 May. Edwin Josue (leftmost), Co-Founder of Friends of the Philippines Society USA, Inc. accompanied Mr Lizaso to the meeting. (PCGNYPhoto)

NEW YORK, 15 May 2018 - Mr. Arsenio J. Lizaso, President of the Cultural Center of the Philippines (CCP) paid a visit to the Philippine Consulate General in New York (PCGNY) last 10 May 2018. During his meeting with Consulate officials, Mr. Lizaso discussed efforts of the Cultural Center of the Philippines in performing its mandate to promote and preserve Philippine culture. He also expressed interest in exploring possibilities for collaboration in bringing activities and programs of the CCP to New York.

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Mr. Lizaso said that the CCP has ramped up its efforts to bring its cultural program to local communities and institutions. According to him, the CCP's outreach projects will continue to bring performances of the Center's resident companies such as the Philippine Philharmonic Orchestra (PPO), Philippine Ballet, Tanghalang Pilipino, Bayanihan, and Cinemalaya, among others, to the Filipino people, including communities located in the furthest areas of the archipelago.

The Consulate apprised Mr. Lizaso of its Sinehan sa Summer film festival, that is held every August, and which features CCP's Cinemalaya short films. It also conveyed its plans to bring the Film screenings to other states in its jurisdiction.

Mr. Lizaso was in New York as one of the featured speaker during the Explore Islands Philippines Exhibit about Philippine Culture held at the Grand Central Station in New York City. END