

Legacy Project: American Museum of Philippine Arts

Organizational Meeting: 16 April 2016

GT-Toyota UP Asian Cultural Center



Antecedents: (1) Art and Anthropology Project

(2) Dr. Canete's Concept paper

Imperatives (1) Why AMPAFI

(2) Why Los Angeles

In the pipeline (1) Incorporation / Registration

(2) Network build up

ANTECEDENTS

- Inspiration from the Field Museum exhibit
 Make Philippine Art visible
 Make visibility/presence permanent and continuous
- 2. AMPAFI mission/'vision from Dr. Cañete Unified exhibitionary and curatorial program Exposure to various audiences Promote/market Philippine Art Generate resources





IMPERATIVES: Why AMPAFI

American Museum focused on Philippine Art

American market – largest most active

Cater to audiences – Americans, others

Philippine Art – proven international acceptability

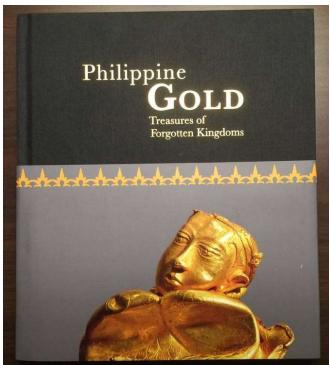
Rich history and tradition



American Museum

Philippine Art





Juan Luna's Spolarium 1884.

Ongoing "Philippine GOLD" US exhibition, 2016.

IMPERATIVES – WHY Los Angeles California USA?

Geographic, ethnic, historical and economic dynamics

LA usual entry point for Asians

Filipinos first Asians in North America

1857, Morro Bay, California

4.4 million Fil –Americans (State Dept. data)

Carlos Bulosan exhibit in 1999 (Seattle)

Temple-Beverly LA Filipino town since 2002 (LA city council)

LA fast developing as cultural counterweight to NY

IT age fueled by West Coast institutions (Silicon Valley)

IN THE PIPELINE-1

Logo design

Incorporation

Registration

Site due diligence for acquisition

AMPAFI Network development/expansion

Southern California Chapter

Northern California Chapter

NY -Washington DC. -Boston Chapter

Chicago and Midwest Chapter

Hawaii Chapter

Philippine Chapter

IN THE PIPELINE-2

On-site findings (see photos)

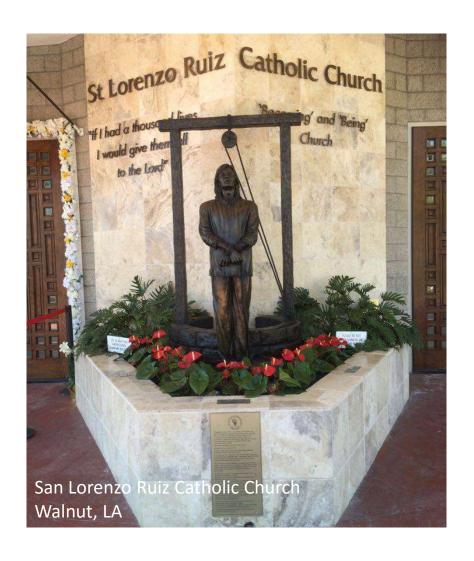
Sites inspected – Manila Way, West Covina and environs

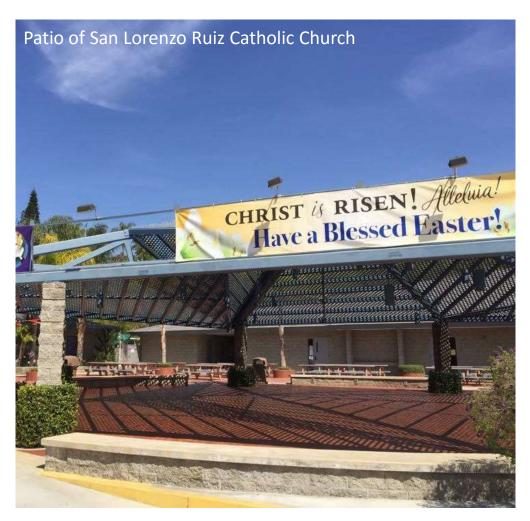
Contacts cultivated – Dr. Bangele D. Alsaybar and others





The "Promised Land"?!!

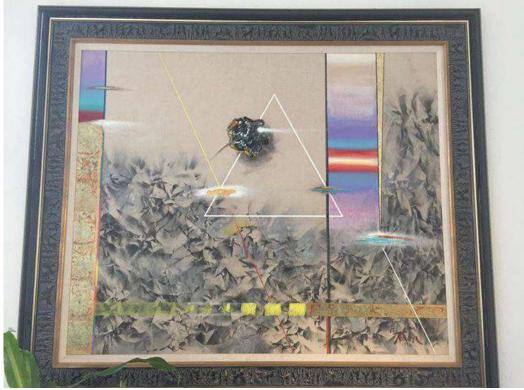












Daniel Basig of LAX- AMPAFI recruited Hermie L. Tecson, Artist of the year Cultural Center of the Philippines 1976.

Hermie L. Tecson artwork which was included at the Encyclopaedia of Living Artist in America, 7th edition.

Governance –min 16 – max 20 per SEC

Proposed Ratio: 14 (Americans) to 6 (Filipinos)

Desiderata – time, effort logistics?

Policy/operating structure?

Nominees:

- 1. Dr. Almira Astudillo Giles, PhD
- 2. Dr. Jose Regullano, MD
- 3. Dr. Bangele Alsaybar, PhD
- 4. Dr. Jose Butch Dalisay, Jr., PhD
- 5. Dr. Reuben Ramas Canete, PhD
- 6. Pablo Baen "Adi" Santos

- 7. Renato Tugade Villavicencio
- 8.Rafael Rivera Benitez
- 9. Ricardo Real Almonte, PE
- 10. Daniel Bassig
- 11. Manuel Samonte Sison, Jr.
- 12. Lino Franco Caringal, Jr.

Miracle?!!

"Nasa Diyos ang awa, nasa tao ang gawa."