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Tekniqlingz

Monthly E-Newsletter

A Message from the President

Know History or No History. A deceptively benign, yet substantive phrase that exemplifies the importance of understanding your historical roots. In 2009, the U.S. Congress designated October as Filipino American History Month. October is the most opportune time to reflect upon our Filipino-American (Fil-Am) histories. In fact, Filipinos were the first documented Asian people to arrive in the U.S. Now, Filipino-Americans are the second largest Asian-American group as well as fastest growing immigrant groups in the U.S. The month of October not only celebrates Philippine and Fil-Am culture, but recognizes the great Fil-Am individuals who paved the way and continue to pave the way for Filipino-Americans in the arts, sports, academia, social, and political sectors to name a few.

Maramaing Salamat, Agyaman kami unay, daghang salamat to our heroes and heroines: Carlos Bulosan, Larry Itliong, Philip Vera Cruz, Pablo Manlapit, Gov. Ben Cayetano, Associate Justice Simeon Acoba, Jessica Hagedorn, Elaine Castillo, R. Zamora Linmark, Melissa de la Cruz, Apl.de.Ap, Lea Salonga, DJ Q-Bert, Ruby Ibarra, Bambu, Prometheus Brown, !lmind, Brian Vioria, Jordan Clarkson and so many others. To perpetuate our Fil-Am stories, we must continue to carry the torch and shine the path not only for ourselves, but for our fellow Fil-Ams who came before us and will eventually come after us. Mabuhay ang Filipinx!

Salamat,
Randy Cortez
President

Meet our New Board of Directors

Tekniqlingz is happy to announce our new 2020-2023 Board of Directors & Officers.

President: Randy Cortez

Vice-President: James Labrie

Secretary: Chachie Abara

Treasurer: Cheryl Agcaoili Hiranaka

Directors: Micah Benavitz & Brandon Dela Cruz

Executive Director: Gabriel Torno



A Tekniqlingz Presentation

"Check Da Tekniq"



October 2020 Calendar

Due to COVID-19, all scheduled performances and in-person workshops have been canceled until further notice.

Saturday, October 17, 2020

Hip Hop Tinikling (VIRTUAL) Workshop

10:00 AM - 11:30 AM HST

Please join us for a Saturday morning "Check Da Tekniq"

Modern Tinikling community dance workshop featuring

founder and executive director of Tekniqlingz and the

Tekniqlingz Dance Crew, Gabe Torno!

Register today by emailing TEKNIQLINGZ@GMAIL.COM for the Zoom Link!

Community News

Give Aloha Program @ Foodland

Maraming Salamat and Mahalo for all those who generously contributed to our organization by donating at this year's annual Give Aloha Program! Your donation helps support our ongoing efforts to perpetuate Filipino culture in our local Hawaii community.

Tekniqlingz is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization whose mission is to strengthen cultural awareness and ethnic identity through education and the perpetuation of the Filipino culture in music, art, and dance.