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## HIGH-END WEARABLE FILIPINO WOVEN FABRICS FEATURED AT AWCLA FASHION SHOW AND CULTURAL EVENT

**27 AUGUST 2024, Los Angeles** – The Philippine Consulate General in Los Angeles participated at the ASEAN Women’s Circle of Los Angeles (AWCLA) Fashion Show and Cultural Event, a fundraising event for the benefit of the American Cancer Society held on 24 August 2024 at the Courtyard by Marriott in Monrovia, California.

The fashion show featured the creations of Filipino, Myanmar and Thai designers as well as traditional clothing for children and adults from Indonesia and Malaysia. Attendees were also entertained with various cultural performances from each participating ASEAN-member country.

The Philippine Consulate General proudly showcased the creations of California-based Filipino designer Amiel Noble of Noble Creations. Mr. Noble’s collection, modeled by the Philippine Consulate General’s personnel and dependents, featured contemporary high-end wearables made from silk-cocoon, jusi, piña and inaul woven fabrics with hand painted designs, paired with hand-carved and hand-painted bags made from acacia wood and accessorized with earrings and necklaces carved from coconut wood.

As a cultural performance offering, California-based Filipino talent Alexis Aubrey Riguerra engaged the multinational crowd with her performance of three Original Pilipino Music - You are My Home by Lea Salonga, Manila by Hotdog, and *Isang Mundo, Isang Awit* by Leah Navarro.

The event was capped by a raffle, with a complimentary round-trip Los Angeles-Manila-Los Angeles economy class plane ticket provided by Philippine Airlines as the grand prize.

AWCLA is the socio-cultural organization of the ASEAN Consulates General in Los Angeles, participated in by the career consulates of Indonesia, Malaysia, Myanmar, the Philippines, and Thailand, plus the Honorary Consul of Cambodia. The spouses of the ASEAN Consuls General resident in Los Angeles steer AWCLA’s activities, assisted by a working group composed of female officers and personnel of the said Consulates General. AWCLA serves to raise the profile of Southeast Asia, promote Southeast Asian culture, and foster closer relations amongst the Southeast Asian diplomatic corps and their various communities here in Los Angeles.END.



*The event's guest speaker, Representative Judy Chu (6th from left, in blue coat) together with the AWCLA President Madam Hnin Ngu Wah (7th from left), the Consuls General of Malaysia (4th from left), Myanmar (5th from left), Thailand (1st from right) and the Philippine Consulate General's Acting Head of Post and Deputy Consul General Maria Alnee A. Gamble (3rd from right), together with the featured fashion designers from the Philippines (Mr. Amiel Noble, 1st from left), Thailand (2nd from left) and Myanmar (3rd from left). Others on the photo include Madam Saralamba (4th from right; spouse of Thai Consul General Tor Saralamba), Mr. Tony Chan (Diamond sponsor of the event; 5th from right, at the back) and Indonesian Consul (second from right).*





*From left to right:*

- 1) Filipino Designer Mr. Amiel Noble receives the AWCLA Certificate of Appreciation from Malaysian Consul General Anil Adenan;*
- 2) PDOT-LA's Administrative Assistant Ms. Genesis Raenani in hand-embroidered silk cocoon top w/ terno sleeves and ruffled collar and below the knee skirt with fuschia trail and strawhat; accessorized with hand-carved fuschia acacia wood.*
- 3) Aaron M. Viloría in a purple hand-embroidered piña barong with a soft green tie paired with black dress pants.*
- 4) Asst. Labor Attache Venus Abad in a colorful Inaul vest type blouse hand-woven from Mindanao and duchess floor-length layered skirt styled with a wide brim straw hat and yellow minaudiere.*
- 5) Aiden M. Viloría in a silk cocoon embroidered barong paired with black dress pants.*
- 6) Consular Supervisor Ligaya Amen-De Jesus in a white hand painted wrap kimona in jusi and hand-painted gazar midi skirt. Her ensemble is accentuated by a black coconut shell necklace and a hand-carved black and white bag made from acacia wood.*