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**PHILCONGEN LA SUPPORTS FASO’S FUNDRAISER CONCERT,  
“ODE TO SUMMER”**

LOS ANGELES, CA - The Philippine Consulate General in Los Angeles attended the “*Ode to Summer*” Fundraiser Concert held on 15 August 2025 at the Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels in Los Angeles, California organized by and in support of the Filipino American Symphony Orchestra (FASO).

The one-night-only concert featured a stellar all-Filipino lineup of internationally acclaimed performers under the baton of Maestro Robert Shroder. Among the highlights of the evening were performances by the University of Santo Tomas (UST) Singers Alumni led by Professor Fidel Calalang Jr., the St. Genevieve Valiant Voices Choir directed by Mr. Christopher Avendaño, and *The Voice* 2024 grand winner Mr. Sofronio Vasquez.



“*Ode to Summer*” event poster, concert proper held at the Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels

Prior to the concert, members of the *Ode to Summer* organizing team paid a courtesy call on Consul General Adelio Angelito S. Cruz, who expressed his support for the concert and affirmed the Consulate’s commitment to continued collaboration in promoting Filipino talent and fostering cultural exchange within the community.



Consul General Adelio Angelito S. Cruz and Mrs. Catherine A. Cruz with some members of the Filipino community

Founded in 2008, FASO is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization dedicated to preserving and promoting Filipino musical heritage in the United States. For more information, visit: <https://www.fasomusic.org/>.

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