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**AGORA: CROSSROADS OF CREATIVITY, CULTURE,
AND IDEAS, VISAYAS CLUSTER**

Attached is a letter from Joseph J. Cristobal, Director, Philippine Cultural Education Program (PCEP), informing the field on the conduct of the AGORA: Crossroads of Creativity, Culture, and Ideas, Visayas Cluster on October 13-15, 2023 in Ormoc City.

The objective of this activity is to provide community engagement in showcasing talents, research, products, local culture icons, and the people. This event will be in partnership with different LGUs to ensure the proliferation of the cultural education effort and promotion of the cultural education in the country as the core of teaching and learning, and governance towards inclusive growth and sustainable development.

Other details relative to the said activity and its program design are stipulated in the attached letter.

Participation of both public and private schools shall be subject to the *no-disruption-of-classes policy* stipulated in DepEd Order No. 9, s. 2005 entitled *Instituting Measures to Increase Engaged Time-on-Task and Ensuring Compliance Therewith*.

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Considering that this is an Advisory, Schools Division Superintendents are given the discretion to act on this matter.

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Greetings from the National Commission for Culture and the Arts (NCCA) -Philippine Cultural Education Program (PCEP)!

The Philippine Cultural Education Program (PCEP) in partnership with the Department of Education (DepEd) will conduct the **AGORA: CROSSROADS OF CREATIVITY, CULTURE, AND IDEAS. Visayas Cluster** will be up for implementation and hosted by the **Local Government Unit of Ormoc City** from **OCTOBER 13-15, 2023 (Fri-Sun)**. In connection with this, we would like to request a DepEd Memo to formally announce the program/s to the Regional Coordinators, Schools Division, City Superintendents, Heads of Public Elementary and Secondary Schools, and interested participants.

AGORA is a venue that will provide community engagement in showcasing talents, research, products, local cultural icons, and the people. The general public shall be invited to have access and be connected to PCEP's education institutions. This event will be in partnership with different LGUs to ensure the proliferation of the cultural education effort and promotion of cultural education in the country as the core of teaching and learning, and governance towards inclusive growth and sustainable development.

Interested participants for the **Literary, Visual Arts, and Theater Workshop** may register using this link: <https://bit.ly/AgoraOrmoc>



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If you have further questions regarding the matter, please don't hesitate to email us at pcep@ncca.gov.ph.

We want your favorable and immediate response. Thank you very much.

Truly Yours,


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Director, Philippine Cultural Educational Program

Reference: [DepEd Central Memo 031 s 2023 - PCEP Program Components](#)

Attachment/s:

1. [AGORA Visayas Program Design](#)
2. [AGORA Visayas Poster](#)



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NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR CULTURE AND THE ARTS
Philippine Cultural Education Program

**AGORA: CROSSROADS OF CREATIVITY, CULTURE,
AND IDEAS**

PROGRAM DESIGN

Project Title:	AGORA: Crossroads of Creativity, Culture, and Ideas
Implementor-Partner:	Barasoain Kalinangan Foundation Inc., DepEd, City Government of Ormoc, NACES Visayas
Implementation Date:	Visayas: October 13-15, 2023
Source of Fund:	NEFCA
Board Resolution Number:	2023-251

Background and Rationale:

Contextualization is developing new skills, knowledge, abilities, and attitudes in students presenting new subject matter in meaningful and relevant context: context of previous experience, real-life and workplace. This is the essence of cultural education, a relevant and contextualized culture-based curriculum in the different tracks of formal education.

Since summer of 2008, NCCA-PCEP, through several HEI partners nationwide, has been offering a credit-earning post-baccalaureate teacher enhancement program called Certificate Program on Cultural Education (CPCE), in 2010 HEI partners recommended to elevate the program into a Diploma program, CPCE becomes Graduate Diploma in Cultural Education (GDCE). After 10-years of implementation, and after the crafting of the new PCEP successor plan 2018-2022 with consideration to the Philippine Development Plan (PDP) 20017-2022 the scholarship programs of PCEP formally adopted into a Post Graduate Program by our partner Universities who provided credit units to our scholars.

Innovation and modernization demonstrated and have been applied in the implementation of cultural education in the country since the approval of RA 10533, Enhanced Basic Education Act of 2013. Following this localization and contextualization strategies, PCEP HEI-partners and DepEd local schools creatively design their curriculum to adapt the curriculum to local conditions and relating the content of the curriculum and the process of teaching and learning to the local environment. Schools and universities that focuses in arts production, heritage conservation and historical researches organized their own performing companies, building their own alternative schools/workshops like Escuwela Talyer, and conducted, compiled and produced their own cultural researches / books. To popularize cultural education in the country and recognized the efforts of our education institutions, its high time to showcase PCEP partner education institutions in a wider-market, through Cultural Education Market project.

Following the crafted PCEP Plan, that we intend to utilize bodies of knowledge in Philippine culture in creating, developing and disseminating contextualized instructional materials,

modules, and other learning resources for the cultural education of Filipinos here and abroad – the Agora project has been proposed to implement since 2018.

Objectives

1. To disseminate contextualized instructional materials, modules, and other learning resources for cultural education.
2. To showcase culture and arts education product, heritage conservation preparedness, and historical research materials of HEI's and DepEd partners in the regions in a CulEd Market place.
3. To organize national proactive CulEd Network in the country that will carry the cultural education flagship program of the NCCA.
4. To make market for cultural education courses and products inside the country.

Description

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Date and Partner LGU

Island Cluster	Date	LGU
Visayas	October 13-15, 2023	City Government of Ormoc

Activities:

Note: Exact Venues to Follow and will be sent to registered participants

October 13, 2023	
8:00 – 8:30 am	Registration
8:30 – 9:00 am	Opening Program <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - National Anthem and Prayer - Opening Remarks - Introduction of Workshop Facilitators
9:00 – 12:00 am	Workshop Breakout <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Literature - Theater - Visual Arts - Choral Cliniquing
12:00 – 1:00 pm	LUNCH BREAK
1:00 – 5:00 pm	Workshop Breakout Continuation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Literature - Theater - Visual Arts - Choral Cliniquing
October 14, 2023	
9:00 – 12:00 nn	Workshop Breakout <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Literature

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Theater - Visual Arts - Choral Cliniquing
12:00 – 1:00 pm	- LUNCH BREAK
1:00 – 5:00 pm	Workshop Breakout Continuation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Literature - Theater - Visual Arts - Choral Cliniquing
October 15, 2023	
9:00 – 12:00 nn	Workshop Breakout <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Literature - Theater - Visual Arts - Choral Cliniquing
12:00 – 1:00 pm	LUNCH BREAK
1:00 – 3:00 pm	Preparation
3:00 – 5:00 pm	Performance Showcase

Eligibilities and Provisions

1. The program is open to all 14 years old and above on a “first-to-apply, first-priority” basis. Participants are required to choose one art form for the workshop. A maximum of 50 participants will be accepted in each class. Interested participants are required to register online
2. For the Choral Cliniquing, the DepEd Region 8 shall nominate 3 choral groups with 16-20 members. Choir leaders of the selected group are requested to attend the orientation via Zoom on September 26, 2023; 10:00 AM.
3. Participants shall be provided free registration, workshop kits, and certificate of participation. Arrangements and costs of transportation, accommodation, and all meals shall be the responsibility of the participants and may be charged to local funds.
4. The PCEP Secretariat will notify the registered participants for confirmation of slot via email. Confirmed participants will be given final travel instructions to the training venue and other requirements for participation.
5. Admission to the program will be solely determined by PCEP and its project partners.
6. Online registration is free, but comes with an obligation. The number of participants is limited and your registration may result in other attendees missing a slot if the maximum capacity is reached.

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AGORA:

CROSSROADS OF CREATIVITY, CULTURE, AND IDEAS

October 13-15, 2023 • Ormoc City

FREE WORKSHOP



Literature

Vim Nadera, Ph.D.

University of the Philippines, Diliman

Basic Theater Acting

Melandro Pascual

SDO Malolos City



Visual Arts

Salvador Ching

*Painter, Installation, and
Performance Artist*



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Registration Link

<https://bit.ly/AgoraOrmoc>

- Open to all 14 years old and above
- Maximum of 50 participants per Art Form