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## Message from Editor-in-Chief



Happy Fall MAFFAA supporters!

Amazing to think that we're now in the final three months of this year! Today, I reflect back on the many adventures that I have been so fortunate to embark upon both here in Washington, DC as well as those that have taken me outside of the city's and country's borders. I am so grateful at each and every chance that I have had to expand my knowledge and expertise in variety of fields such as cultural diplomacy, communications and local community engagement.

Continuing to leverage on own diplomatic connections this past month, I had the pleasure of partaking in several national day celebrations most notably of that of Singapore, Indonesia and the People's Republic of China. By partaking in these key diplomatic functions I was able to continually build and expand my cultural competencies of the rich and diverse cultures and histories of the peoples belonging to these very unique countries in Asia.

In addition, I also had the chance to further engage in the local arts scene by partaking in a number of creative events branded under Mayor Bowser's 202Creates initiative which seeks to support and showcase the diverse and vibrant creative economy. Some of my personal favorites included the annual Art All Night evening festival as well as the ROE Agency's closing fashion show and program as part of Indie Fashion Week hosted at Saint Yves in Dupont Circle in DC.

In closing, I look forward to continuing to make the most of the remaining months ahead and sincerely hope that you'll strive to make fall and winter just as exciting as the previous seasons!

All the best,  
Patrick Realiza  
Co-Executive Director, Mid Atlantic Foundation for Asian Artists, Inc.

## SEPTEMBER 2019 COMMUNITY RECAP

**CO-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR PATRICK REALIZA PARTICIPATES IN  
SINGAPORE NATIONAL DAY CELEBRATION  
WITH AMBASSADOR ASHOK KUMAR MIRPURI  
EMBASSY OF THE REPUBLIC OF SINGAPORE**



**CO-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR PATRICK REALIZA PARTICIPATES IN  
MARIAN ROSARY CONGRESS AND PILGRIMAGE WITH  
REVEREND MONSIGNOR VITO A. BUONANNO  
BASILICA OF THE NATIONAL SHRINE OF  
OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION**



**CO-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR PATRICK REALIZA PARTICIPATES IN  
INDONESIAN DIPLOMATIC AND NATIONAL DAY RECEPTION  
WITH AMBASSADOR MAHENDRA SIREGAR  
UNITED STATES CONGRESS**



**CO-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR PATRICK REALIZA ATTENDS  
SPECIAL DOCUMENTARY AND FILM SCREENING WITH  
MR. MARIO ABAD SANTOS BENIPAYO OF THE  
PHILIPPINE WORLD WAR II MEMORIAL FOUNDATION  
EMBASSY OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES**



**CO-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR PATRICK REALIZA ATTENDS  
ROE AGENCY FASHION SHOW AND CLOSING PROGRAM OF**





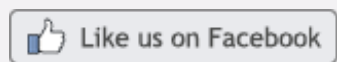
**CO-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR PATRICK REALIZA ATTENDS  
ARTS AND CULTURAL PROGRAM  
FEATURING SPANISH ARTIST DAVID DE LA MANO  
EMBASSY OF THE KINGDOM OF SPAIN**



**CO-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR PATRICK REALIZA PARTICIPATES IN  
CHINESE NATIONAL DAY RECEPTION WITH MINISTER XU XUEYUAN  
EMBASSY OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA**



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