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Message from Editor-in-Chief



Welcome to September fellow MAFFAA supporters!

As we conclude our summer vacation plans and return to our traditional calendar routines, may it be in the world of academia, business, government or otherwise, I hope all of you have had a safe, enjoyable and most memorable summer!

Key highlights from my own schedule this past month alone have included in partaking a number of national day celebrations most notably of those belonging to Bolivia and Indonesia as well participating in a number of local Catholic activities at my home church St. Charles in Arlington, Virginia.

Furthermore, I had the opportunity to engage in a unique conversation on cultural diplomacy featuring His Excellency Minister of State Zaki Anwar Nusseibeh of the United Arab Emirates, presented in collaboration with the Meridian International Center, which focuses on strengthening U.S. engagement with the diplomatic community here in Washington, DC and across the globe.

In closing, I look forward to continuing to personally champion on your behalf for the arts and humanities this fall and into the final months of 2019. I am truly humbled to serve as your voice and advocate each and everyday.

Maraming Salamat! ¡Muchas Gracias! Terima Kasih! شكر Thank You!

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

AUGUST 2019 COMMUNITY RECAP

**CO-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR PATRICK REALIZA CELEBRATES
BOLIVIAN NATIONAL DAY WITH MINISTER RAFAEL CANEDO
EMBASSY OF BOLIVIA | WASHINGTON, DC**



**CO-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR PATRICK REALIZA SERVES AS
MASTER OF CEREMONIES AT ST. CHARLES BORROMEO
PHILIPPINE MEDICAL MISSION 20TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION
ST. CHARLES CATHOLIC CHURCH | ARLINGTON, VIRGINIA**



**CO-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR PATRICK REALIZA LEADS
MULTILINGUAL ROSARY WITH ST. RAPHAEL PRAYER GROUP
ST. CHARLES CATHOLIC CHURCH | ARLINGTON, VIRGINIA**



**CO-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR PATRICK REALIZA PARTICIPATES IN
CULTURAL DIPLOMACY CONVERSATION WITH
HIS EXCELLENCY MINISTER ZAKI ANWAR NUSSEIBEH
EMBASSY OF THE UNITED ARAB EMIRATES**



**CO-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR PATRICK REALIZA CELEBRATES
INDONESIAN NATIONAL DAY WITH AMBASSADOR MAHENDRA SIREGAR
WISMA INDONESIA | WASHINGTON, DC**





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