

The Philippine Fiesta Beauty Quest 2012 candidates

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OVER the years, The Philippine Fiesta Beauty Quest has been gracing the annual Philippine Fiesta of Victoria (PFVI). It has largely assisted in the financial upkeep of the PFVI and has contributed to the much needed funding of the association in meeting some of its financial responsibilities.

The Quest has forged friendship, camaraderie and most importantly, a profound understanding of one's own culture, values, and beliefs among the candidates. It has also developed charm, poise, and confidence among the participants.

Ms Liza Di Blasio, the current chairperson of the Beauty Quest, states that this year's candidates "have all the high spirits to keep the morale of the Philippine Fiesta." Ms Di Blasio has also superlative praises and very proud of her Beauty Quest committee.

The candidates for the Philippine Fiesta Beauty Quest will be introduced at the Presentation Night on 29 September at the Princess Court Reception Mulgrave.

Mrs. Philippine Fiesta of Victoria Candidates Miane Attard

Miane, who hails from President Roxas City is only new in Australia but she says living in this country



has given her so many opportunities in life.

After completing her Certificate 3, she became a PCA in Aged Care and currently studying for her Certificate 4 along with advanced English course.

In her spare time, Miane runs a small fashion business online which also sells dietary drinks.

Her plan in the future is to complete a business management course and finish her Division 1 Nursing Course because she would like to become a qualified nurse someday.

For fun, Miane loves dancing, singing with friends and family, and occasionally, camping for she loves adventure.

"I joined the Mrs Philippines beauty pageant for it's a great opportunity to get involved with the Filipino Community as well as meeting new people and building my confidence," she muses.

Gina Lou Bonilla Tolentino

Gina was born in Quezon City and grew up in Villamor (Nichols) Air Base. She is presently residing in Sunshine, Victoria. She was blessed with a beautiful daughter who is now 17 and studying nursing.

Not new in the beauty competitions, she won Miss Valentine in 1989 and in 2006 at the Filipino Association in Melbourne and was awarded the best costume at the Pampangueño Masquerade function.

In 2004, she has completed her studies in operation management in Australia. Currently, she is the vice president of Animal Lovers Rescue Mission Inc (ALRM)



which aims to raise funds in providing shelter and healthy environment for the abandoned animals.

Gina says that it's her pleasure to be a part of the Beauty Quest 2012 as her contribution in raising funds for the establishment of the Philippine Community Centre.

Dolores Dizon-Pritchard



Dolores, a grandmother of two gorgeous kids describes herself as a bubbly, loving, and down-to-earth person. She's got a good sense of humour and is always there for families and friends when they need help.

She finished her graduate advance diploma in accounting and currently studying bachelor of accounting at Open Universities. Her hobbies are cooking, reading, going out with her kids and grandchildren, and catching up with her friends for coffee or movies and night clubbing for dancing.

Her ambition is to finish her degree and to travel around the world. At present she is managing a Fish and Chips shop in Seaford. She confirmed that she joined the Beauty Quest to promote the Philippine Fiesta and raise funds for the Philippine Community Centre in Laverton.

Miss Philippine Fiesta of Victoria Candidates Ranielynn Acao

Ranielynn Acao, 17 years old, was born in the Philippines. She arrived in Australia at the age of 14. She is currently taking her Year 12 VCE at Sunshine College and planning to take up Paramedicine after finishing high school.

Ranielynn is a member of a dance group called "Gintong Kultura", which performs Philippine cultural dances in various multicultural events and organisations throughout Victoria.

A cheerful and an outgoing person, Ranielynn loves spending her time with her friends, especially with her family. Being in her company is a joyful experience for she brings a different and unique atmosphere.

According to her, chosen as one of the candidates for Miss Philippine Fiesta of Victoria is a privilege for her.



"By joining this quest, I will be able to help the Philippine Fiesta and that will make a lot of difference," Ranielynn enthuses.

Cheryl Day

An early childhood educator at Dial An Angel and Extend, Cheryl lives in Noble Park. She has a passion for teaching and is currently completing her Bachelor of Early Childhood at RMIT University in Bundoora.

Her philosophy in life is "Always stand up for the things you believe in, even if it means standing up on your own."



Cheryl says, "I joined the beauty quest to help promote the Philippine Fiesta, embrace the Filipino culture and contribute my share to the Filipino community."

Kyra Re

Kyra, half Filipino and half Italian, spent most her childhood in St Albans and has lived in the suburb of Caroline Spring.

She is an English major at La Trobe University in Bundoora and currently works as a fragrance consultant at Myer Melbourne.

Kyra is a happy, caring, and loving person who loves to laugh and spends her quality time with her family and friends.



She chose to join the beauty quest as she is proud to be a Filipino and wants to "influence younger generations to follow their dreams."

Her motto is: "Never let anyone stop you from pursuing your dreams!"

Jennifer Anciano

The latest candidate to join the Miss Philippine Fiesta Beauty Quest is Jennifer Anciano.

Jennifer hails from Cagayan de Oro City in Mindanao but grew up in Manila, Philippines. At present, she works as a beauty consultant.

She obtained her diploma of Beauty Therapy course at Elly Lukas Beauty School.

Asked why she joined the Miss Philippine Beauty Quest, Jennifer brightly says, "To experience something different and exciting."





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