Play It Again, Sam — Sa Muling Pagkakataon (One More Chance)

Do you know that FACSPS *Lakbay Sining* Guild stage production *Sa Muling Pagkakataon*, by popular request, was presented four times on stage — in Olympia during Seniors Program in March and Scholarship Awards in June; and at Seattle Center in June for *Pagdiriwang*, and the big NAFFAA Conference in November, 2003.

NAFFAA stands for National (USA) Federation of Filipino American Associations. Multimillionaire Loida Nicolas Lewis is Chairperson.

The Play was also presented in its entirety on Mabuhay Public TV four times -- twice in Tacoma, twice in Seattle, and once in Everett.

Having watched the show in Seattle, NAFFAA National Chairman Emeritus Alex Esclamado of Las Vegas, invited the Guild to present the play to Filipino American communities in California and Nevada.

Here are some comments/reviews on the Play:

(1) "To the excellent Cast - That was a wonderful presentation of one very realistic situation of our Filipino culture! We truly enjoyed it and I like the moral values emulated – the hard work and dedication of a mother to family, the closeness of a family unit, and Christian values of marriage. You all did a great job!

With respect,
Ellen Abellera,
Executive Director
Governor's Commission on Asian Pacific American Affairs
State of Washington"

(2) "Good Morning everyone,

A member of our staff has quite a few hidden talents that we are just becoming aware of; he's an actor, a playwright, a poet, and author (and one of the nicest people I've ever known and worked with). If you are curious to know who it is, please click on the link below, I have also posted a copy on the reading board, across from the reception desk, if you would like to see a hard-copy." http://www.inq7.net/opi/2003/jul/23/opi_rjdavid-1.htm
Enjoy!!

Leah Fenner Financial Management Division Dept of Natural Resources"

(3) "Ruffy - Indeed I, too, had my share of tears and laughter and the reminiscence of what was then but mostly seeing the cast in their superb performance, the pride in me as a Filipino was

tangible during that moment. To be able to bring out the scenes from real life made people relate to the characters. Thank you for bringing that play here in the midst of Olympia.

Kudos to all who made that happen. For indeed when Filipinos work to bring out a message it is felt within the heart and that is by itself healing in its own way... Really proud of each of you! It was an excellent performance.

Virginia de Feria

Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission

(4) "Ruffy - Congratulations to you as the producer, director, and actor! Very, very good. Ang galing! My friends and everyone seated beside and around me and I had a ball! Nakakatuwa! Halakhakan kaming lahat. Enjoy!

I wanted to congratulate the two of you personally yesterday pero I had to rush for Senator Roco's fundraising.

Ako lang, Alma Q. Kern VP, Filipino Community of Seattle