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The fascinating Micronesians and the memorable events of 2016

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THE MICRONESIAN Humanities Project promotes a healthy environmental culture for islanders through continuing research and print and online articles.

Today, we honor Micronesians and events that made news this year.

Sports

Cuki Alvarez's MMA sporting events

PDN's Nathaniel Olaguer, MV's Vicente "Ben" Salas II and James Sablan, Baklai Temengil of Palau Ministry of Community and Cultural Affairs, and Bill Jaynes of KPress

Tourism

Yap Day Festival, NMI's Flame Tree Arts Festival and Thursday Night Market, Marianas Visitors Authority's Taste of the Marianas and new promotion targeting Japan, Palau Visitors Authority's night market

Brad Holland for Yap cultural festival, Gordon Marciano, Robert Hunter, Parker Yamazaki Yobei, and Angel Hocog

Charities/community groups

Saipan Cares for Animal, UFO, Empty Vessel, Lady Diann Foundation, Division of Youth Services

FSM Youth Affairs' Osaia Santos, HESA Representative Dr. Rufino Mauricio, and a consultant from the Secretariat of the Pacific Community, Tangata Vainerere, Shelane Borja and Vivian Sablan for their active roles in Saipan Youth Affairs and Bradley Kumangai for Palau Youth

Conferences

FSM Earth Day Environmental Conference, Drug Court, Judge Ramona V. Manglona, Palau's Tommy Remengesau Jr. and Noah for the national marine conservation campaign

Arts and music

Yap Day Festival, FestPac Guam, Palau Night Market

Gino Bais, Kambes Kesolei, Richard Santos, Brian Manabat, Antonio Cabrera and Harry Rubasch Fritz

Gordon Marciano and Faustina Rehuher Marugg

Liana Hofschneider, Tina Sablan, Baklai Temengil, Felicidad Ogumuro and Jerry Peek

Saipan's Uprooted Reggae Band, Oderai Meluat Stol, Kirby Sikyang, Kika Tenorio

Che'Lu Chamorro Cultural Dance Group of San Diego, Terry Aidan Dance Group, Chamorro Cultural Dance Group of Portland, Oregon, Sonsorol Island Palau Dancers, The Ohana, and Pacific Flower

Corporate events

Best Sunshine community activities and tireless sponsorships

Bridge Capital Exhibition

Paul Jacoulet Art Exhibit and the Simeon Adelbai art exhibition at FestPac Guam

Community events

The Asian Pacific Youth Dialogue.

New events

FSM, Marshall Islands, Micronesia Conservation Trust, Regional Shark Sanctuary

Designs

Louis Ogo, Felix Mundo Santos Jr., Dan Suda, Scott Weers fashion design, Tribe Marianas, 670 Rock Steady Shop and Michael Pablo

Marketing

The World Trade Organization, the Australia Aid Program for FSM, Bridge Capital, HANMI, Hyatt Regency, Philippine Airlines, IT&E and Docomo

Technical achievements or innovations

Ongrung Kambes Kesolei or OKK Production, Lightning Strike Production and Saipan TV

Venue management

Joy Hotel, World Resort, Palau Pacific Resort and Pacific Islands Club

Education or training programs

Motherread/Fatherread, WIA of Saipan, PEC Youth of Palau, and College of Micronesia Botanical School

Riza Ramos, Vid Raatior, Kathy Jetnil-Kijiner, Mike Hollywood, Dr. Emelihter Kihleng, Dr. Takuya Nagaoka, Santy Asanuma, Dr. Yimnang Golbuu, Dr. Christopher Kitalong, Dr. Joel Smith, first lady Diann Torres, Floria James, Jayvee L. Vallejera Lino Olopai, Mona Mengloi, Zaldy Dandan

Producers

Sarah Filush, Sveta Hunter, Richard Brooks, Gordon Marciano, Tets Emesiochel, and Kambes Kesolei




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