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# REGIONAL NEWS

## Micronesia region's July 2018 icons

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IN Micronesia, islanders celebrate their cultural independence through the performing arts — vocals, instrumental music and dance.

These include numerous cultural expressions that reflect human creativity and are also found, to some extent, in many other intangible cultural heritage domains including rituals, festive events or oral traditions.

The following individuals help promote the importance of Micronesia's balanced environmental culture and traditional lifestyle:

Best cultural photos — Gordon Marciano of Saipan, Ongerung Kambes Kesolei & Daisy Beketau of Palau

Best cultural lifestyle photos — Ned Pablo of Guam, Junhan B. Todino, Lori Lyn C. Lirio Bryan Manabat of Saipan, Sophia Perez, Bradley Kumangai, Utei Franz, Akiko Udui, and Uduch Sengebau Senior of Palau,

Best Environmental Photos — Kathy Tellei

Best environment and lifestyle photos — Harlan Derbai, Twilla Ysaol, Joany Kesolei, Alfonso Koshiba, Bingch Antonio, Singekazu Hayashi, Heather Isimura, Bebe Pedro, Offeria Setsuo, Omchuong Emesiochel, Joseph Ngcheed, Evelyn Salas, Pat Muna, Lorraine Bandarii, Lekong Sambal, Iyoul Adrienne, Lina Iyekar, Rkolm Maidesil, Parker Mad, Imengel Mai, Joni Kesolei, Eles Kintaro, Olsen Adriano, Joe Dee Wolford, Nglis Lakobong, Kano Minami,

Best Underwater Photos — Richard Brooks, FishnFins Palau, & Palau Diving

Best Marine Lifestyle — Floria Kambalang,

Best environmental marine photos/Film — Richard Brooks

Best environmental landscape photos — Baste Simer & Dodge Roxas

Best Environmental Beauty Documentary — Harry Rubasch Fritz & Ongerung Kambes Kesolei

Best Book/Author — Mandy T. Etpison

Best sports and lifestyle photos — by Brian Manabat

Best sports photos — by James Sablan of Saipan & Harlan Derbai of Palau

### Arts

Fashion Design — Michael Pablo, Mary Camacho, Scott Weers, Tribe Marianas, and Jesse Meno

Artwork — Richard Sadang, Dan Suda, Mark Aguon, Keri Cruz, Joe Dee Wolford, Byron Munoz, & Laury Hutcheson,

Tattoo Artwork — Tattoo model Fambieca Cabrera

Advocates/Icons — Current CNMI, ZoriesOnly.com, 670 Rock Steady Shop, Born N Raised Clothing, Tattoo Art & Design Mega Vision by Dragon Edong,

### Culture, tradition and lifestyle

Cultural Beauty Icon — Kathy Jetnil-Kijiner, Gloria Hunter & Mika Butelda

Cultural Beauty Advocates — Darlace Takeshi, MerengKloulechad, Helin Hanser, & Tamae Jeremaiah

Culture Film — by NGO Pasifika Renaissance

<https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=IliOq7e0NIs>

Culture Icons — Remurang Renguul & Takuya Nagaoka

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Cultural Advocacy and Preservation — Graig Quitugua, Ongerung Kambes Kesolei Peggy Hanser, & Jeffrey Alfonso

Culture Lifestyle Film — By Ongerung Kambes Kesolei

1. <https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=RtVhd5sfyH8>
2. <https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=fMKQK5-S5ts>

### Environment, health and nutrition

Best Environmental Film/Documentary — Micronesia Pohnpei by Travel Inspired

<https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=uTZpmHH1CAE>

Environment & Health Beauty

Advocate of the Month — Veisia Peteru, Mike Mechol, Joseph Camacho & Sing Miyozawa,

Chef of the Month — Harlan Derbai & Sing Miyozawa

Nutrition Icons — Guambon Chelyabinsk Diaz, Berlinda Ngiraungil, Nglis Lakobong, Medina Cabrera, Okrang Mad, Alfonso Koshiba, MyrnRich Quitugua, Ngermasch Boys, Milla Milz Obeketang, Jorinda Andrew, Peggy Hanser, Kanny Matsutaro, Melinda Rinaca, En Tellei, Nora Glasby, Bo Ngiraingas, Clint Wachi, Living in 680, and Joseph Camacho

Advocates — Island Culture Design, Franune Escalona, Kathy Tellei

Local Diet Advocates — Kathy Tellei, Palau Fishing Derby, Kannie Matsutaro, Peggy Hanser

Environmental Advocacy and Preservation Icons — Sally Nakamura & Twilla Ysaol

### Sports/Athletes

Athletes of the Month — Guam Women Volley Ball Team MicroGame

Advocates — Yap Micro Games 2018 Athletes

### Entertainment

Best Entertainer — Brell Kodep “Arumi No Shigoto” & Saul Johanes “Klengit el Renguul”

<https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=D6o2-> <https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=NucTO3p6cqs>

Best Performers — Gloria Ngirasiau “Mona,” Nick “Delwill,” Neil Fisher “Airai”

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Music Artists of the Month — EstherPaulis, Kirby Sikyang, Ngirasiau Lucio, Five, Louis Kaluu,

<https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=Y3pQMjIEZBw>

[https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=WNazC\\_pcNgA](https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=WNazC_pcNgA)

<https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=4W7J6Gf83XY>

Best Music Video — “Celilia” by Kandall Titiml

<https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=-EcbCO8TK2k>

Best Culture Film — Highlight of Palau Men’s Health/Fishing Derby/Cultu

Film Actress — Rain Valdez <https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=R04XZ50Fr>

Filmmaker — Ongerung Kambes Kesolei a.k.a. OKK

Entertainment Beauty of the Month — Ongedechuul Traditional & Contemporary Dancers & Tobian Chikaz Dancers

Performers — Tobian Chikaz & Ongedechuul Female Dancers

<https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=Is0wdolhDNI>

Best Entertaining Film — Kambes Kesolei “Bealau Night Market” performers

Musical Artists of the Month — Saul Johanes, Brell Kodep, Nick, Gloria Ngirasiau, & Neil Fisher

Best Comedy Film — “Sel Mark el Tuu”

<https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=h7ZEEVQvqOM> by Meellad

Comedians of the Month — Jack & Rose, wejeile

<https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=Nqan4-oguBk>

Comedy Advocates — Jon Juan, Ashley Eff, Sky Imetengel, Merv Melatk, Kingston Ace, Aileen Farley, Joseph Isechal, Simeon Adelbai, Mitsura D. Inoue, Ruth Thomas, Marino Kintaro

### Youth and community

Youth & Entertainment — Saipan Evangelical Church by Medina Cabrera

Youth Best Photo — Palau PEC Youth by Bradley Kumangai

Youth Best Film Work — by Bradley Kumangai

### Educators

Peter Christian, Jennifer Ngual, Vid Raatior, Ann Singeo, Bernadette Carreon Pacific Notes, & Sophia Perez

### Journalists

Pacificnote.com, Bernadette Carreon 680 Belau Recipe, 680 Omengat, Pasifika Renaissance and Dr. Takuya Nagaoka, Honolulu Civil Beat, Belau Photo 101 with Kambes Kesolei and Harry R. Fritz, Tia Belau Kambes Kesolei, Kaselehlie Press Pohnpei with Bill Jaynes, MV editor Zaldy Dandan, MV sports reporters James Sablan and Emmanuel T. Erediano, Palau 2013, Belau Useful Information with Merv Melatk, Oililai Ikesiil, Palau Fitness Group with Nora Glasby, Saipan Tribune, Chamorro People on Facebook David Atalig, ChuukYouth, PEC Youth Bradley Kumangai, MV reporters Bryan Manabat and Junhan Todino, Island Times’ Phillip and Leilani Reklai, Merirei Media LLC, Sha Merirei, Palau Town Hall News Work with Marilyn Rideb, Pacific Daily News, and Chamorro Mingles



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