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Palau Humanities names Micronesia Icons for July 2015

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THE Palau Humanities Project has announced the Micronesian Icons for July2015.

Palau Humanities Project director Christy Sakaziro said the icons were selected through online voting on Facebook, YouTube and other social media.

Film and Photography on Environment and Culture

Leading Male Icon for July is Andrew De Guzman of Marianas Variety for most viewed photos on Saipan.

Leading Female Icon for July is Raquel Bagnol for the most positive photos of nature’s beauty.

The other icons are Richard Brooks of Palau for having the most viewed underwater photos, and Jarv Tarkong of Hawaii for the most viewed photos on nutrition and island life.

Music, Dance and Performance

Entertainers of the Month — Aloha Dancers for projecting beauty, elegance and the essence of respectful entertainment.

Stand-Up Comedy Best Female Award — Mona Conception

Best Comedians in Print — Der David and Paul Ueki

Best Sociopolitical and Humanistic Educational Comedy — Merv Melatk of Guam

Action Comedy Best Actor — “Rebetii” performed by Aimeliik’s son

Sports Group, Male and Female Model Icons

Best Sports Photo Documentary for Solo Athlete — Itpik Franz

Best Sports Photo Documentary for Group — James F. Sablan Jr.

Women and Men Educators

Education Male Icons — Santy Asanuma and Merv Melatk

Personal Growth Male Icon— Kendall Titiml

Culture and Traditional Icons

Culture and Beauty Icon — Miran Higa

Best Micronesia Documentary Work — Pacifika Renaissance with Dr. Takuya Nagaoka

Best Photos on Importance of Nature and Appreciation — Raquel Bagnol

Best Photos — Kambes Kesolei, Kintaro who are also recognized as Male Icons on Culture and Tradition.

Best Advocate Icons for Natural Island Diet and Farming — Prekei Mers and Dolly Rechucher Quimby

Travel, Environment and Nutrition

For promoting local diet, homegrown vegetables and crops — Jarv Tarkong

Best Nutrition Photos—Kambes Kesolei and Jarv Tarkong

Leading Male Nutritionists — Clint Wachi, Jarv Tarkong and Brian Mikel Yada

Leading Female Nutritionists — Prekei Mers, Sing Miyozawa, Dolly R. Quimby, Baku Ong, Nona Glasby, Dee Masan, Agnes Samil, Peggy Haruo, Fulk Haruo and Joylei Asanuma-Isaac.

Art, Design and Creation

Best Traditional Artwork/ Tattoo — Nobuo West and Brian Mikel Yada

Photo Artwork Contributors —Brian Yada, Kathy Metauii Tellei, Marino Kintaro and Telael Kinshman

Sociopolitical Icons

Palau first lady Debbie Rengemesau, Santy Asanuma and Merv Melatk.

Sociopolitical and Micronesia News

Most viewed news site in July — Marianas Variety's updates on typhoon watches and network outage.

Journalists who keep Micronesians updated

The “My Marianas” page of Marianas Variety by Raquel Bagnol, Tia Belau with Kambes Kesolei, Kaselehlie Press, Marianas Variety editor Zaldy Dandan, Bently Techur and Anji Bohan of California, Marilyn Rideb of Hawaii , EBCO, Chuuk News Updates with Dan Suda and more.