



DREAMS TO DUTY: The Heart of a “MADASIGON”

In a celebration marked by elegance and meaning, the Philippine Dental Association welcomes its 116th President, a leader who carries not only accolades and experience but a deeply rooted passion to serve.

From the humble town of Pinamungahan, Cebu, he once dreamt of flying airplanes, folding paper planes as a child with the hope of soaring through the skies. But when life asked him to take a different runway, he chose responsibility over personal ambition. Guided by duty and love for family, he stumbled into dentistry as a profession which he later embraced with purpose and heart.

Now, as the 116th President of the PDA, he stands not just as a leader, but as a servant. True to his Cebuano roots, he is “Madasigon” – a word that captures his enthusiasm, zealousness, and unwavering commitment to the cause.

He offers more than just his title. He offers his availability, his sincerity, and his heart. “I could give equitable service on a bigger platform and help more chapters if I will be in the higher leadership level,” he said and it is a promise he lives by. (cont. p.2)



HIGHLIGHTS



PRESIDENT'S NIGHT

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GALA NIGHT

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A multi-awarded leader, his service speaks volumes:

- Most Outstanding Chapter, PDA Visayas (2007–2008)
- Special Citation for Community Service, Cebu City Government (2008)
- Empowered Men & Women of the Philippines, Asia's Best Magazine (2004)
- 8th Most Outstanding Men and Women in the Philippines, Asia's Best Magazine (2024)

Behind these achievements is a leader whose success is rooted in gratitude, especially to PDA Cebu City Chapter, its past presidents, his friends, and above all, his family, whose love and encouragement have been his compass through every step of his journey. And as he begins this chapter of national leadership, he does so, not for recognition, but out of a deeper calling to serve. He is not here to chase titles, he is here to uplift others, to stand in the gap, and to bring heart back into leadership.

Because "Madasigon" is not just a word, it is who he is. A man full of drive. A leader moved by compassion. A president fueled by purpose. In him, the spirit of a true Madasigon lives on, zealous in mission, passionate in service, and ready to lead with courage and heart. – *Dr. Jennifer Mercado-Añonuevo*



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– Doc Junn



IN PURSUIT OF EXCELLENCE

A Night of Unity, Legacy, and Leadership



The Philippine Dental Association will mark a historic and transformative moment in its legacy as it hosts the 116th President's Night on May 15, 2025, at the Grand Ballroom of Okada Manila and this grand affair celebrates the theme: "PDA: Together in Pursuit of Excellence."

The evening promises to be a powerful convergence of tradition, leadership, and aspiration, bringing together dental professionals from across the country and the Asia-Pacific region. But at the heart of this year's celebration lies a defining moment for the association—the Induction of Dr. Lucilo Niñal Jr. as the 2025–2026 PDA President, a passing of the torch that symbolizes continuity and growth in Philippine dentistry.

This ceremonial Transfer of Authority from outgoing President Dr. Ronaldo Nuñez, following his valedictory address, will be witnessed by a distinguished assembly of leaders, partners, and guests.

One of the evening's most significant highlights is the induction of 125 PDA Chapters, Affiliate Societies, and Integrated Professional Organizations (IPOs) presidents. Representing Luzon, Visayas, Mindanao, and overseas Filipino dentists, this collective induction underscores the PDA's unmatched breadth of representation and the unified strength of its national network. Their collective commitment reaffirms PDA's enduring role as a pillar of public health, professional development, and advocacy in the country.

Complementing the formalities were performances by Banda Kawayan and the Maharlika Dance Troupe, which infused the night with Filipino cultural pride. Newly inducted Luzon Trustee Dr. Ryan Tiongco and Assistant Convention Secretary Dr. Queenie Jane Bandelaria took home the title Male & Female Star of the Night. Awarded as Ginoo at Binibining Madasigon were Dr. Kerwin Sia from Albay Chapter and Dr. Carmencita Bautista from Kalookan City Chapter.



Honoring this celebration of leadership, Hon. Maria Rosario Vergeire, Department of Health Undersecretary, delivered the Keynote Address, speaking on the crucial intersection of public health policy, leadership, and oral healthcare in the Philippines.

The Life Achievement Service Award was also presented to Dr. Emmanuel Centeno, a testament to a lifetime of service and excellence in dentistry.

The event included the proclamation and induction of the Newly Elected PDA National Officers, ushering in a new generation of leaders who were poised to advance PDA's mission through collaboration, innovation, and ethical practice.

As the PDA gathered under the banner of “Together in Pursuit of Excellence,” the 116th President's Night was more than a ceremonial event, it was a declaration of solidarity, a celebration of leadership, and a vision for a stronger, more dynamic dental community. – Dr. Emmanuel Lois Vargas



A FELLOWSHIP EVENING OF TIMELESS ELEGANCE AND UNFORGETTABLE MEMORIES

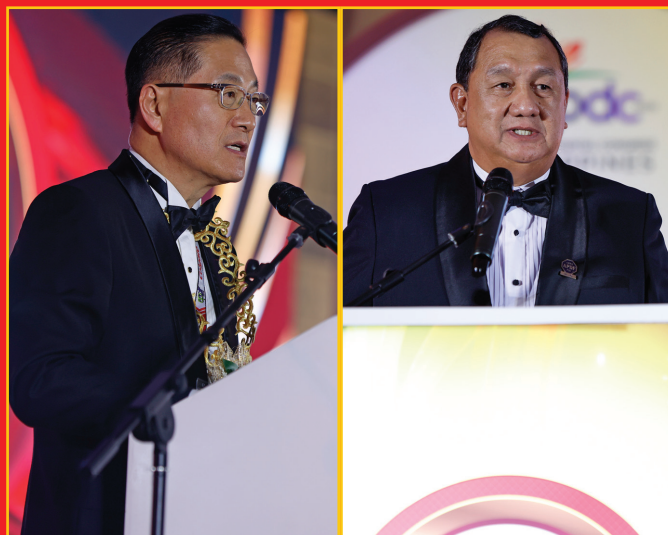
46TH APDC PHILIPPINES 2025 GALA NIGHT

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Under the Gala Night chairmanship of Dr. Nathan Dacuan and his dedicated team, the evening's program commenced with inspiring messages from esteemed leaders in the dental profession. PDA President Dr. Ronaldo Nuñez warmly welcomed everyone, setting a gracious tone for the evening. This was followed by a message from FDI President, delivered on his behalf by FDI Treasurer Prof. Young Guk Park, and a heartfelt address from APDF/APRO Immediate Past President, Dr. Chun Pin Lin.



Set in an atmosphere of refined sophistication, the evening offered a perfect blend of culture, elegance, and camaraderie. Guests arrived in their finest attire and enjoyed a night filled with engaging conversations about the future of dentistry, complemented by world-class Filipino entertainment from the Philippine Sindaw Dance Group and Star Music's balladeer, David Young.



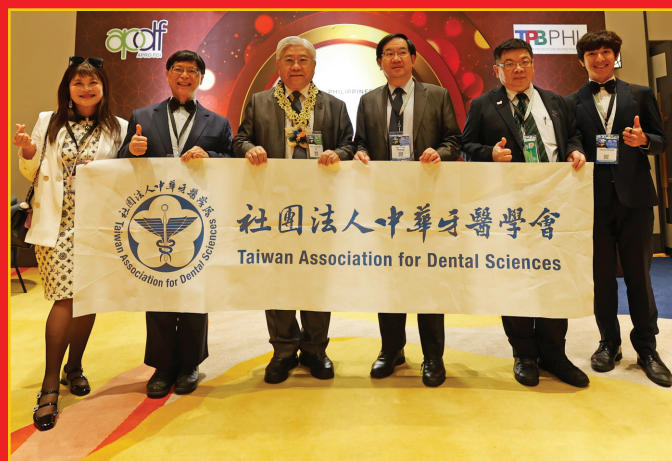
Secretary General Dr. Fernando Fernandez also addressed the attendees, emphasizing the shared vision and unity of the global dental community.

Adding to the significance of the occasion was a special message from Department of Tourism Secretary Hon. Christina Garcia Frasco, who highlighted the beauty, culture, and hospitality of the Philippines as a premier destination for international gatherings.



More than a formal gathering, the Gala Night was a celebration of shared purpose. It rekindled friendships, honored cultural heritage, and showcased the enduring spirit of unity that defines the dental profession across borders. Indeed, it was a night that sparkled not only with lights and music—but with pride, passion, and the promise of progress.

– Dr. Nathan Dacuan



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SPEAKERS' NIGHT 2025

A Celebration of Gratitude and Fellowship

Dr. Maria Joanna Ochoa

The Scientific Seminars Committee hosted the annual Speakers' Night last May 13. The exclusive event took place at Barcino Wine Resto Bar at S Maison, it was an evening of camaraderie and celebration for both local and foreign lecturers who have significantly contributed to the success of the Philippine Dental Association's scientific programs.

A tradition started by former Scientific Committee Chairman and presently, APDF/APRO Secretary General Dr. Fernando Fernandez, Speakers' Night was envisioned as a heartfelt gesture of gratitude toward the lecturers who have generously shared their expertise over the years. This by-invitation-only affair serves as a platform to honor the invaluable support these professionals have extended to the PDA, ensuring the continued growth and advancement of dental education in the Philippines.

What sets this year's Speakers' Night apart is its unique convergence with a global event, the 46th Asia-Pacific Dental Congress (APDC), which will be held simultaneously with the PDA annual convention. This alignment brings added excitement and prestige, as foreign lecturers attending the APDC were also welcomed to the Speakers' Night. It represented a rare and special occasion for professionals from different parts of the world to gather in one place, forging international ties through shared knowledge, experiences, and professional fellowship.



The event promised to offer more than just the deserved recognition. It was designed to be a night of wholesome enjoyment, featuring good entertainment, engaging conversations, and a sumptuous meal curated specifically for the esteemed guests. The night also served as a moment for lecturers to relax, network, and enjoy each other's company in a warm, informal setting.

This year, the Organizing Committee expects over 100 guests, signaling the growing appreciation and enthusiasm surrounding this tradition. Organizing this event again as Chairman of the committee with Dr. Sheryl Bautista as Co-Chair, we were given the opportunity to share our expertise and passion to orchestrate a memorable evening. Under their leadership, the night is poised to deliver not only in terms of celebration but also in strengthening the ties among dental professionals, both local and international.

Speakers' Night is more than an event, it is a tribute to the spirit of collaboration, learning, and dedication that drives the dental profession forward. As the PDA continues to elevate its standards through scientific advancement and global partnerships, this night serves as a beacon of gratitude for everyone involved.

SMILES ACROSS BORDERS:

Asia-Pacific Dental Leaders Converge in Manila for Stronger Together

APDF/APRO Unites in the Philippines for APDC 2025



Dr. Oliver Hennedige
SECRETARY GENERAL EMERITUS



Dr. Nelson Wong Chi Wai
IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT

The highly anticipated meeting of the Asia Pacific Dental Federation/Asia Pacific Regional Organization (APDF/APRO) delegates took place on May 12 and 14, 2025. In conjunction with the 46th Asia Pacific Dental Congress and the 116th Philippine Dental Association Annual Convention it was held at the SMX Convention Center, Mall of Asia Complex, Pasay City.

The Philippines hosted official representatives from 30 member countries across the Asia-Pacific region. These include: Myanmar, Korea, Singapore, Taiwan, Thailand, Indonesia, Japan, Macau, Malaysia, Philippines, Cambodia, Vietnam, Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Fiji, Hong Kong, India, Lebanon, Mongolia, Nepal, Pakistan, Saudi Arabia, Sri Lanka, Iraq, Jordan, Syria, Vanuatu, Guam, Papua New Guinea, and the United Arab Emirates.

The closed-door meetings held last May 12 and May 14 focused on strengthening regional collaboration, advancing dental education and healthcare, and aligning member organizations on strategic objectives for 2025 and beyond.

The APDF/APRO meetings were part of a week-long gathering of dental professionals from around the region, highlighting the Philippines' central role in fostering innovation and unity in the dental field. The simultaneous hosting of the APDF/APRO assembly and the PDA Annual Convention is seen as a breakthrough event that underscores the nation's commitment to global health initiatives and professional excellence in dentistry. – Dr. Emmanuel Lois Vargas

See you in
SHANGHAI

Early bird registration deadline:
2 June 2025

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World Dental Congress

SHANGHAI 2025

9-12 September 2025

46th APDC & 116th PDA CONVENTION BY THE NUMBERS

9,567
LOCAL
DELEGATES

130
FOREIGN
DELEGATES

320
DENTAL
STUDENTS

2,824
VOTES
CASTED

37
CPD
POINTS

526
DENTAL
TRADERS



HOUSE OF DELEGATES

PHILIPPINE DENTAL ASSOCIATION

For this year's Annual Session, the following proposed Board Resolutions were deliberated, amended, tabled, not approved, and approved by the House:

Notes from Second Plenary Session

THURSDAY, MAY 15, 2025 | 9:00 AM - 1:30 PM



The PDA House of Delegates (HOD) is the legislative and policy-making body of the PDA. It functions similarly to a parliament or congress where representatives from local dental chapters, affiliates, and integrated organizations across the Philippines gather to deliberate, formulate, and pass resolutions, policies, and amendments to the association's by-laws.

The accredited delegates convene twice a year during the Midyear Session in December, and the Annual Session in May. In each session, proposed resolutions from the executive board and the local chapters and affiliates are included in the agenda for discussion. These documents record actions, approvals, or positions taken by the board on specific matters. Once approved by the House, the resolution becomes an official act of the board and must be implemented and respected by the organization. These are documented in the minutes of the meeting and properly kept for easy retrieval and review.



PART OF THE PROGRAM	NOTES
Board Resolution No. 41 - Board resolution approving the application of Philippine Association of Airway Dentistry and Sleep Medicine, Inc. (PAADSM, Inc.) as a non-specialty affiliate of the Philippine Dental Association subject for confirmation of the House of Delegates	NOT APPROVED
Board Resolution No. 40 - Board resolution institutionalizing the Philippine Dental Association Public Health Guidelines	TABLED Note for the Secretariat: <i>Furnish the delegates the copy of the 54-page Public Health Guidelines for their perusal preferably a month before the 64th Midyear Session</i>
Resolutions from the Chapters, Affiliates, and Integrated Organizations:	
Board resolution calling for the strengthening of monitoring and adherence to the Code of Ethics of Dentistry and the creation of Sub-Committee on Ethical Violations, Complaints, and Grievances of the Philippine Dental Association <i>(Sponsored by PDA Lipa City Chapter)</i>	TABLED <i>Suggestions brought up during the discussion:</i> 1. Divide the resolution into two 2. Amend the title from "AND the Creation..." to "BY the Creation..."
Board resolution decreasing the number of days for Annual Convention from five (5) days to three (3) days <i>(Sponsored by PDA Pasig-Pateros-Taguig Chapter)</i>	NOT APPROVED
Board resolution authorizing the change of the chapter name from "PDA Davao del Sur Chapter" to "PDA South Davao Chapter" <i>(Sponsored by PDA Davao del Sur Chapter)</i>	APPROVED

The HOD ensures that the delegates from various chapters have a voice in the decisions for the association. It plays a vital role in shaping the strategic direction and ethical standards of dentistry in the Philippines, ensuring inclusivity and accountability within PDA.

To become an accredited delegate of the House, the member must go through a formal selection and accreditation process through their local chapter or affiliate organization, following the guidelines set by HOD. They must be a member of good standing, elected and endorsed by the local chapter or affiliate, and a bearer of credentials fit for the role. The Accreditation Committee reviews the submissions and officially accredits delegates to participate in the House' agenda. The delegates propose and discuss resolutions and vote during the division of the House in case of any objections.



46th ASIA PACIFIC DENTAL CONGRESS
116th PHILIPPINE DENTAL ASSOCIATION
ANNUAL CONVENTION AND SCIENTIFIC SESSIONS



DENTAL STUDENT CONGRESS 2025



DEAN DIAMPO J. LIM STUDENT CONGRESS A Legacy of Learning and Inspiration

Dr. Ma. Anna Claudio Paragas

The Dental Student Congress has been a special part of the PDA Convention for the past few years. It was during the term of then PDA President Dr. Fernando Fernandez that the event was renamed to honor Dean Diampo J. Lim—a proud graduate and former Dean of the UE College of Dentistry. The Dean Diampo J. Lim Student Congress (DDJLSC) first took place in 2018, the same year the 40th Asia Pacific Dental Congress (APDC) was held in the Philippines.

Dean Lim was well-loved and respected by students and colleagues alike. He lived by the values of dedication, hard work, and service. His legacy was honored once again this year as students gathered to learn, connect, and celebrate the profession he loved.

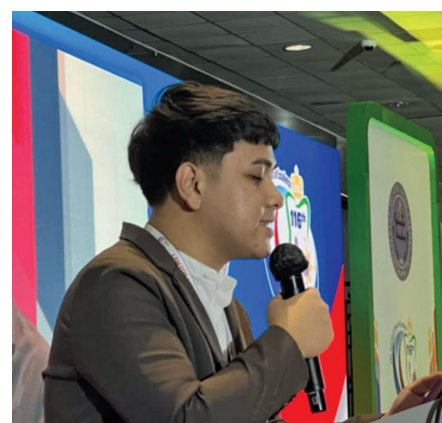
The Student Congress served as a warm welcome into the dental community, offering students a space to feel included, supported, and inspired. The event fostered a sense of unity and pride, reminding everyone that they are part of something greater. Through shared learning and meaningful interaction, participants took steps together in their journey toward excellence.

This year's Student Congress was held on May 16, 2025 at Function Room 5, SMX Convention Center, Mall of Asia as part of the 116th Philippine Dental Association Annual Convention and 46th Asia Pacific Dental Congress. With Dr. Fernando Fernandez as APDC Secretary General, Dr. Arleen Reyes as APDC Chair, and Dr. Junn Niñal as PDA President, this year's event proved to be both impactful and memorable.

Participants benefited from engaging lectures in Restorative Dentistry, Prosthodontics, and Surgery, presented by renowned speakers Dr. Virgilio Vasquez, Dr. Adrian Carlos Manaloto, and Dr. Ruwan Jayasinghe. The sessions were also open to colleagues and professionals who joined in supporting student development.

Students had the chance to explore the Exhibit Hall (May 14–16), discovering the latest tools and innovations in dental technology. The day was capped off with a fun-filled *StuDENTISTA* Fellowship Night, complete with raffle prizes and giveaways adding joy and celebration to the learning experience.

This year's DDJLSC was more than just an academic gathering, it was a reminder of the vibrant future of dentistry and the strong community that supports it.



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Commission Meetings Aligned with the World Dental Federation's Key Pillars

Dr. Arlyn Gopez

To echo the World Dental Federation's (FDI) core pillars—five focused Commission Meetings have been organized. Each session is helmed by an acknowledged expert who will translate global objectives into practical strategies for every participant.

Together, these meetings form a cohesive program that advances FDI goals: empowering clinicians with up-to-date knowledge, strengthening community health frameworks, and championing policies that place oral health at the heart of overall wellbeing. Whether you practice in a surgery, lecture hall, or field hospital, you'll leave equipped to translate global imperatives into local impact.

Commission on Oral Diseases lectured by Dr. Jay Hansel Tabije; Defense Forces Dentistry lectured by Dr. Danilo Magtanong; Dental Public Health lectured by Dr. Gary Brillo; General Private Practice lectured by Dr. Jose Angelo Militante; Dental Education lectured by Dr. Alvin Laxamana



ORAL PRESENTATION

Dr. Wilfredo de Ocampo, Jr.



The Oral Presentation Sessions serve as a vital platform for sharing high-quality case reports and pioneering research across all specialties in dentistry. These sessions provide an invaluable opportunity for dental professionals, clinicians, and researchers to present their work and engage in meaningful academic dialogue on topics from oral and maxillofacial surgery and prosthodontics to orthodontics, pediatric dentistry, and periodontics. By facilitating knowledge exchange and fostering interdisciplinary collaboration, the sessions aim to advance dental science, enhance clinical practices, and elevate standards of patient care. Through diverse insights and innovative approaches, they contribute to the broader goal of elevating global oral health outcomes.

POSTER PRESENTATION

FOR THE 116TH PDA ANNUAL CONVENTION

Dr. Trinette Chang-Colina

In a vibrant display of innovation, creativity, and scholarly achievement, the 46th Asia Pacific Dental Congress and 116th Philippine Dental Association Annual Convention and Scientific Sessions captivated attendees this year with its spotlight on undergraduate research across different disciplines. The event, held at the MR 4 of the SMX Convention Center in the morning of May 14, 2025, saw students from different universities across the region showcase their original research through poster presentations, competing for recognition and prize awards.

A Platform for Emerging Scholars

The APDC-PDA Poster Presentation and Competition aims to provide undergraduate students with a prestigious platform to share their research and academic findings with a diverse audience, including professors, industry professionals, and fellow students. This year, the event attracted local and international student researchers.

“Seeing so many young minds present their work with such enthusiasm is truly inspiring. This event is a testament to the bright future ahead for these scholars,” said Dr. Trinette Chang-Colina, Chairman of the Poster Competition. “We are incredibly proud of these students and are committed to helping them further their academic and professional aspirations.”

Students Take the Stage

The competitive nature of the event pushed the participants to not only present their research but also engage in lively discussions with judges and attendees. Students were evaluated based on the significance of their research, presentation quality, innovation, and potential impact on society. Winners of the competition were awarded both cash prizes, tokens, and certificates.

Mentorship and Future Prospects

Alongside the competition, the event also provided mentorship and an opportunity to talk to the judges, Dr. Joseph Leong and Professor S.M. Balaji, and other professionals in the field of dentistry and academy. This fostered a supportive environment for students to refine their ideas and explore potential collaborations.

Building a Stronger Research Community

The APDC-PDA Poster Presentation and Competition underscores the growing importance of fostering research and innovation at the undergraduate level. By connecting students with experts and providing them with the tools to showcase their work, the event serves as an important milestone in the professional development of young researchers across the Pacific.

The success of this year's competition is a reflection of the increasingly collaborative research environment in the Asia-Pacific region, with universities, institutions, and associations like APDC and PDA playing a crucial role in shaping the future of research and development.

As the event came to a close, there was a palpable sense of excitement among the participants, many of whom expressed their eagerness to continue their research journeys and expand their projects with the support and guidance they had gained from the competition.

Looking Ahead

With the bar set high this year, the APDC-PDA Poster Presentation and Competition is poised to become an even larger platform for showcasing the next generation of researchers. Plans are already underway for next year's event, which promises to build on the success of this year's edition and continue to celebrate the intellectual prowess of undergraduate students in the Asia-Pacific region.

“The future looks bright for these students, we look forward to seeing how their ideas will change the world.”

Dr. Trinette Chang-Colina

- FIRST PLACE -

The Effectiveness of Alibutbut (Tabernaemontana pandacaqui poir.) Leaf Extract Against Streptococcus Mutans: In vitro experimental study

Febe Sofia Confesor
ILOILO DOCTOR'S COLLEGE

- SECOND PLACE -

Knowledge, Attitude, and Practices on Caries Preventive Measures Among Caregivers of Learners with Special Educational Needs (LSEN) in San Fernando Elementary School (SFES), Pampanga: A non-experimental analytic cross-sectional study

Maria Estela Paz Mijares
UNIVERSITY OF THE PHILIPPINES - MANILA

- THIRD PLACE -

A Comparative Study on the Dental Plaque Detection Efficiency Between Selenicereus Costaricensis (Red-Fleshed Dragon Fruit) Extract and Commercial Disclosing Solution: A randomized clinical trial

Jacqueline Ann Perolino
CEBU DOCTOR'S UNIVERSITY

TABLE CLINICS SESSION

Dr. Anjelique Fernandez De Ocampo

One of the highlights of the joint convention is the Table Clinics Session meticulously designed to offer an immersive, hands-on learning experience. The Table Clinics showcased live demonstrations, detailed case presentations, and engaging discussions centered on the most recent innovations and evidence-based practices in dentistry.

The format encouraged active participation and debate, enabling participants to critically analyze novel techniques and integrate cutting-edge technological advancements into their clinical practice. By bridging theory and application, the Table Clinics Session enhanced professional competency and supported continuous learning among practitioners.

Additionally, the Table Clinics served as a structured platform for dialogue among experts, academic leaders, and practitioners. These interactions stimulated interdisciplinary exchange, inspired new research collaborations, and promoted the adoption of best practices across a range of dental specialties.

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~ GRAND RAFFLE WINNERS ~



**EARLY BIRD RAFFLE
WINNER:
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Toyota Raize**



**PAID RAFFLE
WINNER:
Dr. Rowena Mangilinan
Toyota Corolla Cross**

THE PHILIPPINE DENTAL ASSOCIATION AWARDS NIGHT: *Celebrating Excellence in Dentistry*

The Philippine Dental Association Awards Night is an annual event dedicated to honoring outstanding professionals in the dental field. This will be on May 16, 2025 to be held at SMX Convention Center. Overall Chairman headed the PDA past president Dr. Alvin Laxamana and the award night chaired by Dr. Cristina Lacanilao under the leadership of the PDA President Dr. Ronald Nunez. This prestigious occasion gathers leading dentists, particularly presidents of various chapters and affiliates likewise PDA officers, regional coordinators and committee members and recognizes achievements, innovations, and contributions to dental health in our community.

A CELEBRATION OF EXCELLENCE

Held in various venues across the country, the Awards Night serves as a platform to not only acknowledge the hard work of individuals in the dental community but also to highlight the ongoing advancements in dental technology, research, and patient care. During the event, various awards are conferred, narrating success stories of practitioners and institutions that have significantly impacted the country's dental landscape.

BEST DENTAL RESEARCH

Honoring researchers whose work contributes significantly to the field of dentistry, focusing on studies that advance dental practices or improve patient outcomes.



CATEGORIES OF RECOGNITION

The Awards Night features a range of categories, including but not limited to: Outstanding and Most Outstanding Dentist of the Year. This award recognizes a president who has exhibited exceptional commitment to patient care but likewise community service, and innovation in practice.



COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD

Acknowledging dentists or organizations that have dedicated their time and resources to improve dental health in underserved communities. These are just few awards given and a lot more to mention.

PDA Awards Night represents a significant milestone in the celebration and advancement of Dentistry.

By recognizing excellence and promoting professional growth, the event plays a vital role in shaping the future of dental leaders of our association in the country. As the dental community comes together annually to celebrate these achievements, it emphasizes the importance of dedication, innovation, and collaboration in providing the best possible care for patients across the nation.



PDA KAPATIRAN AWARDS WINNERS

OUTSTANDING CHAPTER AWARD

PDA Marikina City Chapter
PDA Quezon City Chapter
PDA San Juan City Chapter
PDA Makati City Chapter
PDA Parañaque City Chapter
PDA Pasay City Chapter
PDA Benguet Chapter
PDA Ilocos Norte Chapter
PDA La Union Chapter
PDA Pangasinan Chapter
PDA Isabela-Quirino Chapter
PDA Angeles City Chapter
PDA Olongapo Chapter
PDA Batangas City Chapter
PDA Cavite Chapter
PDA Laguna Chapter
PDA Rizal Chapter
PDA Antique Chapter
PDA Bacolod City Chapter
PDA Iloilo Chapter
PDA Davao City Chapter
PDA General Santos City Chapter

OUTSTANDING PRESIDENT AWARD

Dr. Arlen Khurana
Dr. Ma. Cristina Sanidad
Dr. Evelyne Cue-Chua
Dr. Benzon Garcia
Dr. Irene Rogong
Dr. Kristine Magnolia Marcial
Dr. Stanley Bannagao
Dr. Claire Antonette Respicio
Dr. Christian Nebres
Dr. Beah Bautista
Dr. Mary Ann Battad
Dr. Arnel Paulino Maccay
Dr. Fernalyn Domingo
Dr. Rowena Hernandez
Dr. Melnita Bayot
Dr. Lynley Guevarra
Dr. Sixto Cruz III
Dr. Mark Cameron Acub
Dr. Mae Grace Dy
Dr. Sofia Castor
Dr. Sarah Gerona
Dr. Elvin Sanz

OUTSTANDING SPECIALTY

AFFILIATE SOCIETY AWARD

Association of Philippine Orthodontics
Philippine Prosthodontics Society

OUTSTANDING PRESIDENT AWARD

Dr. Marie Joanna Susana Maraño
Dr. Olivia Manalo

OUTSTANDING NON-SPECIALTY

AFFILIATE SOCIETY AWARD

Alpha Phi Omega Dental Association of the Philippines
Filipino-Chinese Dental Foundation, Inc.

OUTSTANDING PRESIDENT AWARD

Dr. Thea Katrina Esteban
Dr. Randy Demition

MOST OUTSTANDING CHAPTER AWARD FOR LUZON NORTH

PDA Bataan Chapter

MOST OUTSTANDING PRESIDENT AWARD FOR LUZON NORTH

Dr. Rosalie Ropeta

MOST OUTSTANDING CHAPTER AWARD FOR LUZON SOUTH

PDA Oriental Mindoro Chapter

MOST OUTSTANDING PRESIDENT AWARD FOR LUZON SOUTH

Dr. Kathleen Cueto