



PHILIPPINE LIBRARIANS ASSOCIATION, INC. (PLAI)
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Dear Colleagues in the Profession:

The Philippine Librarians Association, Inc. (PLAI) will be conducting its annual National Congress with the theme **“Libraries: Preservers and Promoters of Culture and Arts”** to be held at Punta Villa Resort, Arevalo, Iloilo City on November 20-22, 2013. This Congress is co-sponsored by the National Commission for Culture and the Arts (NCCA) through the National Committee on Libraries and Information Services (NCLIS).

The objectives of this activity are the following: 1) to hasten the development, maintenance and sharing of local materials through a stronger library and cultural coordination and cooperation; 2) to enhance the librarians' capability in formulating and carrying out cultural programs and activities; 3) to boost the valuing of local cultural thesaurus by the librarians.

In line with this, we are inviting you to update yourselves with the latest developments in our field and to build more linkages with our colleagues in the profession. There will be parallel sessions on the 2nd day to discuss topics related to archives and the different types of libraries (i.e. academic, public, school, and special).

The Congress registration fees are as follows:

Live in participants	Non-PLAI Member	P5,500
	PLAI Member	P5,000
	Undergraduate Students	P4,500
	<i>Inclusive of 3 nights accommodation, meals (3 breakfasts, 3 lunches, 2 dinners, 6 snacks) congress kit, certificate and use of hotel amenities (Extra night costs P500)</i>	
Live out participants	Non-PLAI Member	P4,000
	PLAI Member	P3,500
	Undergraduate Students	P3,000
	<i>Inclusive of meals (3 lunches, 6 snacks, 1 dinner), congress kit, certificate</i>	


Interested attendees may inquire with the following PLAI Officers:

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Complimentary airport-hotel-airport transfers will be provided on selected dates and flight schedules. There will be an optional tour to local cultural sites in Iloilo on November 23, 2013 (**P250 half day or P500 whole day tour**). Additional information may be found at the PLAI website: www.plai.org.ph.

Thank you for your prompt response to this invitation and for your continued support to our Association. We hope to see you all in November for our National Congress!

Yours truly,


MICHAEL A. PINTO
Conference Chair
PLAI Executive Vice President

Noted by:


ELIZABETH R. PERALEJO
PLAI President