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Celebrating National Arts and Humanities Month: CAHA Honors Guam's Creative Spirit

Hagåtña, Guam — [October 4, 2024] — The Guam Council on the Arts and Humanities Agency (CAHA) proudly joins Humanities Guåhan and thousands of arts organizations across the United States and its jurisdictions to celebrate National Arts and Humanities Month throughout October. This annual observance highlights the essential role of the arts and humanities in enriching lives and fostering community, encouraging all residents of Guam to engage in a month filled with inspiring activities and events.

Kicking off the celebration will be the **Arts and Humanities Month Proclamation Signing**, on **October 4, 2024**, at **3:30 pm.** in the Governor's Office large conference room at Adelup. This event will set the tone for the month-long celebration, which continues with the **CAHA Arts & Humanities Gallery Exhibit Opening** on **October 11, 2024**, from **6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.** at CAHA, Suite 202, DNA Building, 238 Archbishop Flores Street, Hagåtña. The exhibit will showcase the incredible work of local artists and will run until **November 15, 2024**. Additionally, CAHA will engage the community with outreach events at the Guam Premier Outlets on **October 19** from **11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.** and at Agana Shopping Center on **October 26** from **11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.** to further promote awareness and appreciation of the arts.

"During this celebration, we recognize the immense value that the arts bring to our society, a time to acknowledge and cherish human creativity and intellectual exploration. It not only enriches our cultural landscape but also serves as the cornerstone for collective growth and understanding," said **Angie Taitague, Director of the Guam Council on the Arts and Humanities Agency**. *"This celebration is an opportunity to celebrate the values that the arts impart in our lives and it is important that everyone take part to recognize the creative and cultural value of the arts and humanities in our community,"* added **Monica Guzman, CAHA Board Chair**.

As Guam's State Arts Agency, CAHA exists to promote the artistic practice of our artisans and create opportunities for the community to learn, experience, express, and appreciate art in all its forms. This month-long celebration, which originated from National Arts Week established in 1985 by the National Endowment for the Arts and Americans for the Arts, resonates deeply with our mission and highlights the importance of arts in daily life.

Join us in this collective celebration and discover how the arts and humanities can enrich your life and strengthen our community. For more information about upcoming events and participation details, please contact Jackie Balbas, CAHA Program Coordinator IV, at 671-300-7584 or 671-456-5387, or via email at info@caha.guam.gov.

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