



Ambassador Virginia H. Benavidez with His Worship Rey Wallace and Mayoress during the opening of the art exhibit held at the Farsite Gallery on 22 February.

14 March 2013 - Cultural diplomacy reached another milestone when 12 young Filipino artists together with their parents and friends showcased their talents and creativity through an art exhibition entitled "What is Art" held at the Farsite Gallery on February 22.

Ms. Jojo Garcia Jowett, a leading Filipino artist in New Zealand closely collaborated with Ms. Catherine Greene, Manager of the Farsite Gallery to feature 69 art works of Gabrielle Cabauatan, Angelo Cabauatan, Elycah Bateman, Luigi Miguel Ibanez, Katelyn Diane Luey, Imelda Luey, Ellen Millar, Irene Noval, Edith Pangan, Francis Pangan and Celina Pangan.

Philippine Ambassador to New Zealand Virginia H. Benavidez and His Worship Rey Wallace and Mayoress Linda Wallace opened the exhibition attended by several members of the Filipino community and friends from New Zealand.

In her remarks, Ambassador Benavidez thanked Mayor and Mayoress Wallace for gracing the occasion and commended Ms. Jowett and for mounting this first ever visual arts exhibition for Filipino young artists. "For these talented artists, the world is in their canvass and their art forms are limitless. The Philippine Embassy is truly blessed to have them as our vital, vibrant and vivid partners in projecting the creativity of our people and the exhibition will show that artistry are natural and inherent even among young budding Filipino artists. Art is the universal language and effective bridge to deepen the friendship, goodwill and understanding among Filipinos, New Zealanders and people from other countries," Ambassador Benavidez said.



Ambassador Benavidez enjoys the company of His Worship Rey Wallace and Mayoress Linda Wallace during the opening of the art exhibit held at the Farsite Gallery.

~~Many young Filipino artists are showcasing their creativity in New Zealand through an art exhibition held at the Farsite Gallery in Auckland. The exhibition, titled 'Young Filipino Artists' Creativity Showcased in Art Exhibition in New Zealand', features a collection of artworks by talented young artists from the Philippines. The artists, who are currently studying in New Zealand, have created a diverse range of pieces, including paintings, drawings, and sculptures. The exhibition is open to the public from March 14 to March 20, 2013, at the Farsite Gallery, located at 100-102, The Arcade, Auckland. The gallery is a well-known venue for art exhibitions and is situated in a historic building that has been converted into a modern art space. The exhibition is a great opportunity for the public to appreciate the talent and creativity of young Filipino artists and to learn more about the art scene in the Philippines. The artists involved in the exhibition include: [List of artists' names]~~





