

## Recent Books from the Philippines – Sept 2020

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### Biography/Memoirs

Beyond Oakwood : A Story of Soldierly, Defiance, and Transformation / Albert Baloloy & Phil Fortuno  
Philippines : Mindspark Publishing, 2020  
xvi, 250p.

9786219608725

\$ 35.00 / PB

318gm

The compelling true-to-life story of a former Philippine Army Scout Ranger Captain and his group of battle-hardened soldiers' spiritual renewal through the transformative power of the word of God and how it carried them beyond the brutal battlefields, beyond the walls of their detention facility, and beyond Oakwood.

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The Wars Within : Struggles of a Former Top CPP-NPA-NDF Cadre / Phil Fortuno, PhD

Philippines : Mindspark Publishing, 2020

xviii, 280p.

9786219608732

\$ 25.00 / PB

362gm,

Book Details:

The life of Victor Patria, from whom this book is wrought, is rich with accounts that can help provide theoretical insights into the emergence and maintenance of enemy images in various social contexts starting from the family, peer groups, and the society. From Victor's 27 years in the CPP-NPA-NDF, one can immediately acknowledge how historical enmity as well as other political, social and economic motivations contribute to a climate of ready hatred against the government by young individuals recruited from schools and communities.

Examining enmification, or the process of how Victor developed enemy images against the state, is important in determining drivers that either push or pull individuals to being recruited to the local communist movement. Significantly, the book highlighted many key aspects of the CPP-NPA-NDF: (1) How they recruited bright and promising students and impacted millions of families in the process, (2) How they agitated different sectoral groups, (3) How they infiltrated different organizations and hijacked their advocacies to push the communist agenda instead, (4) How the CPP-NPA-NDF runs on favoritism and corruption; and, (5) How resources for the people were, and are being, used for communist insurgency initiatives.

THE WARS WITHIN is one of the many relevant tools that can be used in peacebuilding. It fittingly reminds each one of us that real sociopolitical transformation starts from within us, and with our respective family and community. The author had aptly presented the story in a sincere and brotherly manner, thus giving the reader a pleasant feeling that he is personally conversing with Victor.

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## Cookbook

K-Drama Cookbook / Lily Min & Reggie Aspiras  
Mandaluyong City: Anvil Publishing, Inc., 2020  
176p.  
9789712735998  
\$ 20.00 / PB  
280gm.

K-Drama Cookbook is a must-have for every Filipino foodie who has ever wished to reach inside the screen and grab a bite of the most mouthwatering Korean cuisine.

Korean food expert Chef Lily Min and Filipino Culinary Icon Chef Reggie Aspiras come together to unite two different cultures through the universal language of food. Inside are thirty-six of Chef Lily's authentic recipes highlighting the unique and exciting flavors of Korea. Chef Reggie adds her notes and tips, bringing local color and her own personal touch to the traditional Korean recipes we've come to know and love.

Learn to cook your favorites from bulgogi to jjapaguri in many ways with the help of this cookbook that combines two diverse palates in the most satisfying way.

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### **Economics/Development Studies**

Securing A Continuum Of Care : The Challenges of a Fragmented Health Sector / Carlo Irwin A. Panelo (et al.)

Quezon City: The University of the Philippines Press, 2020

xxxiv, 270p.

9789715429139

1. Medical care – Philippines.

2. Public Health – Philippines.

\$ 40.00 / PB

578gm.

Securing a Continuum of Care: The Challenges of a Fragmented Health Sector offers a timely analysis of how the devolution of health servicedelivery to local government units (LGUs) has reduced the effectiveness of thehealth care system in providing a continuum of care for poor Filipinos. Thebook describes the progress in improving health outcomes during the lasttwenty-five years, and how national-to-local fragmentation and socialdeterminants have affected the health of Filipinos. The book discusses threestructural weaknesses that have prevented earlier reforms from effectivelyaddressing these challenges and thus improving health outcomes. Lastly, thebook examines how

these structural weaknesses have prevented improvements in health outcomes in the case of eight specific health problems. With the benefit of long-term hindsight, Securing a Continuum of Care hopes to contribute to the development of new policies and strategies that will address the structural weaknesses of a devolved health sector and, ultimately, improve the health of Filipinos.

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## Education

School is Life : Progressive Education in the Philippines / Ani Rosa Almario & Tina Zamora  
Quezon City : Bughaw (Ateneo de Manila University Press), 2020  
xvi, 264p. ; 22.86cm.  
9789715509893

1. Education – Philippines – Experiment methods.
2. Educational change.
3. Educational innovation.
4. Educational technology.

\$ 30.00 / PB  
416gm.

The term progressive in the field of education is almost faddish, usually misconstrued, or sometimes plainly misunderstood. But for educators and school founders like us, progressive has come to describe an alternative way of learning and teaching, a different way of viewing school. This book features the views on progressive education of its many stakeholders: school administrators, teachers, parents, and students. It is our hope that our stories will not only document our practice and our history, but also help forge our path ahead. May all who read this book feel our immense pride and joy in working and learning with children. —Ani Rosa Almario and Tina S. Zamora

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## History

Sorsogon : The Rise of a City by the Bay / Danilo Madrid Gerona

Sorsogon City: Local Government Unit of Sorsogon, City  
Government of Sorsogon, 2019  
xii, 216p.  
\$ 30.00 / PB  
260gm.

The Spanish conquest of Luzon began in the shores of what now comprised the province of Sorsogon. The name Ybalon which then referred to a small village along Sorsogon Bay, and then applied to the rest of southern portion of Bikol peninsula, was among the earliest mentioned in the chronicles written during the early stage of the Spanish conquest.

This book, which neither pretends to provide the definitive history of Sorsogon nor claims to blaze an original scholarly trail, nevertheless, takes pride in being the first to synthesize available materials to produce a panoramic view of the two historic towns (Bacon and Sorsogon) now fused into a single geo-administrative unit, the city of Sorsogon.

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The Battle of Marawi / Criselda Yabes  
Davao City: Pawikan Press, 2020  
263p.  
9786219630108  
\$ 30.00 / PB  
298gm.

#### Book Details:

This book combines literary journalism with insightful reportage to recreate the scenes from the most destructive firefight between elite government troops and Islamist rebels in the southern Philippines in recent memory. The author, Criselda Yabes, is an award-winning Filipino journalist and novelist who has previously written two books about the Armed Forces of the Philippines.

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#### Literature

Busilak : New LGBTQ Poetry from the Philippines / (Ed) J. Neil C. Garcia

The Philippine Writers Series 2020

Quezon City: University of the Philippines Press, 2020

x, 194p.

English, Filipino

9789715429221

1. Philippine poetry (English), Modern – 21<sup>st</sup> century.
2. Filipino poetry, Modern – 21<sup>st</sup> century.
3. Poetry, Modern – 21<sup>st</sup> century – Philippines.
4. Lesbian's writings.
5. Gay's writing.

\$ 25.00 / PB

308gm.

The poetry suites of the LGBTQ poets in this [book] are postconfessional precisely in these respects: they “confess” their makers’ gendered and sexual subjectivities, both textually, through their works’ representational content, and extra-textually, by the sheer performativity of their having been included in [the first Global GRACE LGBTQ National Writers Workshop]. They also all evince varying degrees of self-disclosure, which may be reckoned in terms of the polarity of timidity on one hand, and excess on the other.

The... authors of [these] poetry suites, mostly all approached the subject of sexual and gendered self-disclosure indirectly—through the use of personae and stories that do not so much represent or describe as evoke their identities as queer subjects. In other words, while tapping into the formal and thematic affordances of confessional poetry, they nonetheless demur against its more readily recognizable features by thickening or attenuating their poems’ queer representational contents. In either case, the resultant articulation can be read postconfessionally as queer, despite or precisely because of the stylistic circumvention it performs. –from the Introduction by J. NEIL C. GARCIA

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Marka Demonyo Or Poems on Love, Earth, and Duct Tape /  
Lourd De Veyra

Mandaluyong City: Anvil Publishing, Inc., 2020  
136p. ; 3.75×5.75in.  
9789712735967  
\$ 10.00 / PB  
90gm.

Lourd de Veyra offers Marka Demonyo. Take this, all of you, and eat of it, for it holds a candle to the deepening crack in the foundation of humanity. Say a prayer now and at the hour of darkness, or use some duct tape before it all falls into ruin.  
<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=718503>

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Song Strung From Native Soils : More Conversation With Eight Writers / (Ed) Ricardo M De Ungria  
Cagayan de Oro City: Xavier University Press, 2019  
x, 396p.  
9789710094319  
\$ 40.00 / PB  
600gm.

The book provides a critical framework with which to view Mindanaoan literature. By way of interview, it presents the writers' personal backgrounds, their influences and creative processes. The rich information in these conversations complements the introduction which critiques the unbalanced cultural and literary development in the Philippines in the light of the center-region discourse. The writers interviewed are: Leoncio Deriada, Noralyn Mustafa, Jaime An Lim, Christine Godinez-Ortega, Calbi Asain, Lia Lopez-Chua, Telesforo Sungkit Jr, and Almayrah Tiburon.  
<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=718504>

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Five Hundred Years Without Love : The Story of a Family Caught in Their Country's Worsening Social Cancer / Alex Lacson  
Quezon City: Alex Lacson, 2020  
viii, 368p.  
\$ 30.00 / PB  
376gm.

It is a gripping novel that takes a comprehensive and holistic view of the country's present-day social cancer, 133 years later Dr. Jose Rizal wrote his "Noli Me Tangere" in 1887. Through the life of Anton Hinirang, a young lawyer born to a poor family, and the struggles and misery of the members of Anton's family, the writer painstakingly tries to expose the various root causes of our country's social malaise at present, which result in the continuing massive poverty, powerlessness, and misery among the majority of the Filipino people.

The book is also about the story of the Filipino in the last 500 years. It is about why we are what we are today. Why the Filipino is who and what he is today, in the eyes of his children, and in the eyes of the world. There is so much history of the Filipino in the novel.

The book is about love in its core, particularly love for the least and last. It is about how we can build a country with love, brethrenhood, and the common good as its foundations. It is about how we can make the Philippines a better country, and make the Filipino great and respected in the global community. The book zeroes in on the social cancer afflicting our people – greed, lust for power, abuse of power and position, and immorality.

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Crossing the River : Poems Old and New / Anthony L. Tan  
Cagayan de Oro City: Xavier University Press, 2019  
viii, 122p.

9789719094265

\$ 20.00 / PB

184gm.

“Poetry that was absolutely wonderful, that did what great poetry is supposed to do refresh the heart, the mind, and the spirit...

“We want to express our deepest gratitude to you, for the contributions you make to our lives and the lives of our readers. Poetry of this quality is one of the rarest and finest gifts that one human being can give to another. We can never thank



you enough for the gift you have given to all of us.” (Blurb) ---  
Dan Veach, Editor of Atlanta Review  
<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=718506>

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Sa Kanto ng Makabud at Mangga, May Eskuwela /  
Vladimeir B. Gonzales (Series Ed) Rolando B. Tolentino  
& Louise Jashil Sonido

The Philippine Writers Series 2020

Quezon City: The University of the Philippine Press,  
2020

xii, 134p.

9789715429238

In Filipino

1. Filipino literature.
2. Short stories, Filipino.
3. Filipino drama.

\$ 20.00 / PB

230gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=718507>

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Lungsod – Lungsuran / Louise O. Lopez

Quezon City: Linangan Sa Imahen, Retorika At Anya  
(LIRA), Inc., 2020

72p.

9786219515863

In Filipino

\$ 12.50 / PB

96gm.

<http://www.marymartin.com/web?pid=718508>

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## Politics

The Quest for Peace : The GRP-NDFP Peace Negotiations : Kodao  
Productions Reports (Volume I) 2016-2017 / Raymund B.

Villanueva

Quezon City: Kodao Productionsd, Inc. & Pantas Publishing &  
Printing, Inc., 2020

280p.

9786218156067

1. Journalism.

2. Peace.
3. War.
4. GRP-NDFP.

\$ 25.00 / PB

232gm.

"This is a journalism that is heavily invested in the necessity of changing the unjust social and economic structures that are the root cause of civil strife in the country and which the peace talks are supposed to seek a negotiated solution to. It is a journalism that questions the dominant narrative by confronting it with the contrary and invariably uncomfortable truths happening in the dark or remote recesses of the land that the glaring floodlights of the mainstream rarely reach."

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On the Question of People's War in Capitalist Countries : Initial Critique of Infatible Maoism / PRISM

Philippines: International Network of Philippines Studies for PRISM, 2019

84p.

9781628479362

\$ 15.00/ PB

54gm.

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### Religion – Christianity

Christ the King : Greenmeadows : A Parish for Others / Bing del Rosario, Tessa Mangahas & Fr. Steven Zabala (Ed) Tessa Mangahas

Limited Edition

Quezon City: Christ the King Parish Greenmeadows, 2020

228p.

\$ 75.00 / HB

1560gm.

This book is a CHRONICLE of the faith journey of a forty-year old parish. This book is a TRIBUTE to a community that lives out its

mission to be “a parish for others” through ministries and programs. This book is a PRAYER of thanksgiving and hope as the parish faces its future.

228 pages of faith stories and striking images!

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## Sociology

The Philippines is Not a Small Country / Gideon Lasco  
Quezon City: Bughaw (Ateneo de Manila University Press), 2020  
246p. ; 20.32cm.

9789715509930

1. Philippine essays (English).
2. Filipino people – Social life and customs.
3. Culture – Philippines.

\$ 20.00 / PB

282gm.

This book is an exploration of the Philippines as a beautiful land, a home to a diversity of peoples, a nation-in-the-making, and a country at the heart of the world. Drawing from anthropology, history, contemporary events, popular culture, and the author’s field experiences and travels, the essays draw connections between nature and culture, self and society, the local and the global, as well as the past and the present in order to arrive at a deeper, fuller, critical, yet hopeful view of a country that is larger than many imagine it to be.

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Empowering the Elderly / Emiliano M. Manahan, Jr.

Quezon City: Central Book Supply, Inc., 2020

xxviii, 338p.

9786210210682

\$ 30.00 / PB

472gm.

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