



# BATANGAS STATE UNIVERSITY

## The National Engineering University

### RECORD AND PRESERVE CULTURAL HERITAGE

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#### BatStateU promotes cultural heritage

Batangas State University (BatStateU) is working to strengthen students' understanding and appreciation of local culture. The university has organized several initiatives to achieve this goal.

One such initiative is the Training Plan Development Workshop, where performing arts groups created detailed plans to incorporate local cultural elements into their performances. The Buwan ng Wika 2023 celebration also highlighted the significance of the Filipino language and culture.

To further promote cultural heritage, BatStateU organized competitions and a Basic Integrated Theater Arts Seminar Workshop to equip students with essential skills in production management, acting, and scriptwriting. Through these efforts, BatStateU aims to preserve and celebrate Batangas' rich cultural heritage.



#### BatStateU performance groups preserve local heritage

Batangas State University (BatStateU) is not just an academic institution; it's also a cultural hub. The university's various cultural groups, such as the Diwayanis Dance Theater and the Ad Libitum Chorus, play a significant role in preserving and promoting local heritage.

The Diwayanis Dance Theater, for example, showcases traditional dances like the Muslim Suite and Cordillera Suite, while the Ad Libitum Chorus performs at important ceremonies, adding a touch of cultural richness to these events. These performances not only entertain but also serve as a valuable record of the region's cultural heritage.

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BatStateU's cultural groups are actively involved in various events, from local festivals to national competitions. Through their performances, they delve into diverse themes, celebrating local traditions and national events. By participating in competitions like the Sublian Dance Festival and the National Music Competitions for Young Artists, these groups not only showcase their talents but also help preserve and promote local culture.

#### **Tradition meets innovation: BANTOG '23 rekindles artistry and heritage**

Batangas State University, The National Engineering University (BatStateU) hosted BANTOG 2023: Pagpaparangal sa mga Alagad ng Sining, a vibrant event celebrating creativity and cultural heritage.

The event spotlighted a wide array of talents from the university's Pablo Borbon, Alangilan, Lipa and JPLPC Malvar campuses across diverse artistic disciplines. The program featured theater acts, modern dance, band performances, visual arts, folk dance, choir, and rondalla music, with 51 individuals receiving accolades for their artistic endeavors.

BANTOG 2023 is part of BatStateU's ongoing efforts to promote and elevate local artistry, aiming to become a beacon for student and community artists alike.



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#### BatStateU students illuminate the nation with parol triumph

Batangas State University, The NEU (BatStateU) has once again brought pride to the province, this time through a stunning victory in the "Isang Bituin at Isang Mithiin National Parol-Making Competition." The university's entry, crafted by students from the College of Architecture, Fine Arts, and Design, outshone 84 other entries from various state universities and colleges across the Philippines.



Led by Bernadette Bagsit, Lhanz Andrei Balmes, Allan Harlem Lei Novelo, and Marc Joseph Vergara, the BatStateU team created a parol that not only adhered to the competition's theme but also celebrated the rich cultural heritage of Batangas. The intricate design and vibrant colors of the parol paid homage to the city's history, capturing the essence of the "Barakos" tradition.

The team's dedication and creativity were evident in every detail of the parol. Their meticulous work resulted in a masterpiece that not only impressed the judges but also captivated the hearts of the viewers. The parol's stunning visual appeal and innovative design showcased the students' artistic talent and technical skills.

With this remarkable achievement, BatStateU has once again proven its commitment to fostering creativity and innovation among its students. The university's success in this national competition is a testament to the quality of education and the dedication of its faculty and students.



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