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HOW NOT TO WIN A REVOLUTION

# NORBERTO ROLDAN

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Norberto Roldan presents this new trilogy of multimedia textile series in *How Not to Win a Revolution* as critical case studies of seemingly successful insurrections in the artist's native country, dialectically probing the historic and contemporary struggles for emancipation against various oppressive forces. *Pasión y Revolución* (all 2024) considers the 1896 struggle for independence against Spanish colonialism; *Born Again Revolution* concerns the Marcos years; and *West Philippine Revolution* scrutinises the ongoing territorial dispute between China and the Philippines over the eponymous waters. Within these respective series, the artist specifically and simultaneously identifies three effects of local rebellions that have actually sustained systems of economic, social and political inequality: elitism, religion and language.

*Pasión y Revolución* borrows its title from Reynaldo C. Ileto's landmark text *Pasyon and Revolution: Popular Movements in the Philippines 1840–1910* (1979) in which the author relates the 'successful' 1896 revolution that liberated the Philippines from Spain to the ubiquitous 'Pasyon' document that discusses a "subversive" figure, Jesus Christ, who attracts mainly lowly, common people (taong bayan), draws them away from... their relations of subservience... and forms a brotherhood (catipunan) that will proclaim a new era of mankind'. Religion, the Spanish's main means for colonisation, had become the very mechanism that facilitated the Philippines's emancipation. In *Pasión y Revolución*, Roldan incorporates four layers of different fabrics to represent various dimensions of Filipino society. Floral cotton material – typically made into house dresses for women or other domestic textiles like curtains, bed covers and tablecloths – make up the first and largest layer; lace, worn by Catholic women as veils during mass (tacurong or mantillas), comprise the second; artist Giah De Los Reyes's traditionally hand-dyed textiles form the third (and are embroidered with Tagalog and Latin words like 'Mabuhay ang Pilipinas [Long live the Philippines] or CORPUS CRISTI). Lastly and central to the composition, Roldan affixes found anting-anting [amulet] vests that would protect wearers from violence during the struggle against the Spanish and Americans in the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries. Within the context of this exhibition's framework, however, Roldan prompts the viewer to think critically about the perceived success

of the 1896 revolution. The *Ilustrados*, who emerged as the ruling class, perpetuated a western-informed elitism that sustained their power. Iletto states that in the Katipunan rebellion's aftermath, 'radical interpretations of independence from elements of the "poor and ignorant class" (to paraphrase the *ilustrados*) were branded as "antirevolutionary" by the leaders of the republic'. Iletto continues, 'Egalitarianism and mass mobilisation were concepts that threatened the leadership of the *ilustrados*', and when the Americans assumed control over the Philippines, this group became complacent and allowed the continued subjugation of their countrymen to maintain their privileged class position.

*Born Again Revolution* turns to the Charismatic Renewal Movement that gained popularity in the Philippines during the 1980s as Marcos's military dictatorship continued to ravage the country. Like *Pasión y Revolución*, Roldan again includes four different fabrics and embroiders religious imagery and text around the artwork. In *Born Again Revolution 03*, for example, Roldan incorporates lace printed with floral motifs and embroidered prayers that proclaim, 'Mahal Kita / O Diyos / Wala ng Iba [I love you / O God / There is nothing else]'. However in lieu of the anting-anting vest, Roldan fastens an *El Shaddai panyo* [prayer handkerchief] to the centre of the composition which features prayers and religious images. *El Shaddai* was and is arguably the Philippines's most popular sect of the Catholic Charismatic Movement, formed in 1984 by Mike Velarde and named after the Hebrew words for 'God Almighty'. In the early days of this campaign, Roldan and his then-wife briefly joined the 'Couples for Christ' subgroup in which the artist witnessed first-hand the movement's teachings that prioritised a spiritual revolution over the material one raging around them, thereby diverting attention, recruitment and efforts from the democratic rebellion.

The final series, *West Philippine Revolution*, looks to the poetry of the second and third century Chinese commander Cao Cao who conquered the entire northern region of China. In addition to his cruelty, Cao was known for his contributions to the *Shanshui* poetry movement. In each work of *West Philippine Revolution*, Roldan takes one

of Cao's remaining poems, 'Walking from Xiamen and Looking at the Blue Sea' (date unknown) and embroiders a single line unto the middle of found silk 'Chinese Blankets' the artist sourced from ukay-ukay [second-hand] stores around his home in Roxas City. Each line thereafter is a translation of Cao's poetry, from English (by David Bowles in 2014), to Tagalog and English again (by Filipino poet Khavn de la Cruz in 2019). What emerges are peculiar iterations: 观沧海 [I draw East to Mount Jieshi] in *West Philippine Revolution 01*, for example, becomes 'I went to the Pregnant Mountain'. Here Roldan plays with the specificity of language and its distortions, criticising the Chinese government's claim over the West Philippine Sea, regarded by them as the 'South China Sea', as well as their escalating violence towards Philippine coast guards. These silk bedspreads seem also to allude to China's 'blanket' neocolonialism, but Roldan directly intervenes in the fabric by embroidering these translations into the material as a symbolic reclaiming of territory.

Through these three series, Roldan considers the complications and shortcomings of revolutionary movements concerning the Philippines, both from the coloniser and colonised perspective. With *Pasión y Revolución*, Roldan underlines the elitism that inevitably led to the country's continued colonial subjugation; *Born Again Revolution* criticises spiritual movements that detract from reality; and *West Philippine Revolution* lambasts China's neocolonialism through language. Yet contradiction prevails within these works as elitism, religion and language have and will continue to contribute to the communist agenda. With *How Not to Win a Revolution*, however, the artist clarifies that emancipation is far from a static end and advocates for critical inquiry into the pursuit of revolution. Inevitably, history continues after liberation; what remains are the consequences that succeed it.

*Words by Marv Recinto*







*Incantations in the land of virgins, monsters, sorcerers  
and angry gods (early edition 5), 1999–2018*

textile assemblage of patacyong wraparound skirt, fabric  
lining, embroidery with Philippine coins and wooden poles  
62h x 32w in • 158h x 82w cm





detail from *Incantations in the land of virgins, monsters, sorcerers and angry gods* (early edition 5), 1999-2018.

*Incantations in the land of virgins, monsters, sorcerers  
and angry gods (early edition 4), 1999–2018*

textile assemblage of patadyong wraparound skirt, fabric  
lining, embroidery with Philippine coins and wooden poles  
62h x 31w in • 158h x 78w cm





kun magsakay kami  
mamkaw magkapyo  
kag mangayaw kag  
hindaon ninyo maagyan  
ada masapgiranan



***Incantations in the land of virgins, monsters, sorcerers  
and angry gods (early edition 6), 1999–2018***

textile assemblage of patacyong wraparound skirt, fabric  
lining, embroidery with Philippine coins and wooden poles  
63h x 36w in • 160h x 91w cm



danon,  
an, dagul,  
burukot,  
panimo.



detail from *Incantations in the land of virgins, monsters, sorcerers and angry gods* (early edition 6), 1999-2018

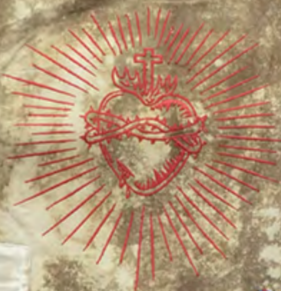


*Pasión y Revolución 03*, 2024  
textile assemblage with 19th century amulet  
vest, hand dyed fabrics, amulets, and Philippine  
demonetized centavo coins  
87.25h x 57w in • 221.60h x 144.80w cm





JESUS LAS NOVIS  
LAS NOVIS,  
LUWASON MO  
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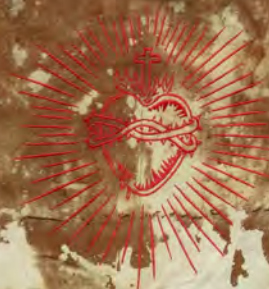


***Pasión y Revolución 02, 2024***

textile assemblage with 19th century amulet  
vest, hand dyed fabrics, amulets, and Philippine  
demonetized centavo coins  
87.25h x 55w in • 221.60h x 139.70w cm

RES QUONIAM JESUS VERTUS JESUS VERGIM  
AGNENTUM RE COLUORUM MOLISSA LAFESTI A KARDEL HAKARIN  
DOKTARAN NEGURA PALA MENTRE VERUM ANGLAT POKLEAT  
MADU ALTE FELICE INI DEPIA  
SIN ILANDI HEE ANI NIKI NIKI INI NIKI NIKI NIKI  
MORRE INI NIKI NIKI NIKI NIKI NIKI NIKI  
KAL NIKI NIKI NIKI NIKI NIKI NIKI

ANIMATETE /  
SINTEPICANO /  
CORPUS CRISTI /  
SALVA MI ENTRE /  
TUA SANTOS DIOS  
SANTOS DIOS /  
ECHE/LAURENTE  
ECHE CO LAS /  
ECHE COLORUM  
AMEN



SALVO  
SINOTHS  
GENTILLOM  
MICAN  
MATUM  
MITUMUJ  
MACAM  
MARITAN  
MHITANA  
MIGURANA

Teresa Magbanua  
Katipunera

*Pasión y Revolución 01*, 2024  
textile assemblage with 19th century amulet  
vest, hand dyed fabrics, amulets, and Philippine  
demonetized centavo coins  
87.25h x 57w in • 221.60h x 144.80w cm







***Pasión y Revolución 04, 2024***

textile assemblage with 19th century amulet  
vest, hand dyed fabrics, amulets, and Philippine  
demonetized centavo coins  
87.25h x 52.50w in • 221.60h x 133.30w cm







*West Philippine Revolution 02*, 2024  
textile assemblage with found Chinese blankets,  
textile, and wind chimes  
87.63h x 55.75w in • 222.50h x 141.50w cm





看到深綠色的大海

Yī guān cāng hǎi

to behold the dark green sea,  
upang magitla sa madilim, dagat  
to be shocked by the dark, sea



*West Philippine Revolution 01, 2024*  
textile assemblage with found Chinese blankets,  
textile, and wind chimes  
88.25h x 55.55w in • 224h x 141w cm



我向東趕往石山

Dōng línjiē shí

I draw East to Mount Jiēshí  
Nagtungo ako sa Bundok Buntis  
I went to the Pregnant Mountain

*West Philippine Revolution 03*, 2024  
textile assemblage with found Chinese blankets,  
textile, and wind chimes  
88h x 56.10w in • 223.50h x 142.50w cm





散佈著平靜的水

Shuǐ hé dàn dàn

water spreading vast and calm,  
na mapanglaw, tubig - alat na pipi,  
that is dark, saltwater that is mute,







**Born Again Revolution 04, 2024**

textile assemblage with vintage religious panyo (handkerchief), hand-dyed fabric, soft amulets, and Philippine demonetized centavo coins  
87.75h x 56.25w in • 223h x 143w cm

SA BAWA'T  
ORAS AT ARAW  
IKAW ANG  
KALAKASAN KO  
LAGING INAASAM  
SA TUWINA'Y  
MARANASAN KO  
PAG IBIG MO'Y  
LAGING NADARAMA  
IKAW ANG LAGING  
HINAHANAP  
KALAKASAN  
KO'Y LAGING  
NAGHIHINTAY  
SA AKI'Y LUBOS  
NAGBIGAY  
NG BUHAY

## Sa Pagsikat ng Liwanag



SA PAGSIKAT  
NG LIWANAG  
PAG - ASA'Y  
NAGHIHINTAY  
PAGKA'T  
PANGAKO MO'Y  
KALAKASAN  
SA NAGTITIWALA  
SA YO SA AMING  
SAMA - SAMANG  
PAGSAMBA  
SA AMIN LAGING  
NANANAHAN  
TUWINA

*Born Again Revolution 02*, 2024  
textile assemblage with vintage religious panyo  
(handkerchief), hand-dyed fabric, soft amulets, and  
Philippine demonetized centavo coins  
86.81h x 55.13w in • 220.50h x 140w cm





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AWIT SA MAHAL NA  
POONG NUESTRO  
PADRE JESUS NAZARENO

NUESTRO PADRE JESUS NAZARENO,  
SINASAMBA KA NAMIN.  
PUNIPINTUHO KA NAMIN  
ARAL MO'Y ARING BUMAY AT KALIGTASAN.  
NUESTRO PADRE JESUS NAZARENO,  
ILIGTAS MO KAMI SA KASALAHAN,  
ANG KRUS MO'NG KINAMATAYAN AY  
SAGISAG MO'NG AMING KALIGTASAN.  
NUESTRO PADRE JESUS NAZARENO,  
DINARANGAL KA NAMIN!  
NUESTRO PADRE JESUS NAZARENO,  
NILULUWALHATI KA NAMIN!  
NUESTRO PADRE JESUS NAZARENO,  
DINARANGAL KA NAMIN!  
NUESTRO PADRE JESUS NAZARENO,  
NILULUWALHATI KA NAMIN!



EL SHADDAI

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SALMO - 91 (AWIT NG PAGTITIWALA SA DIYOS)

1. SIYANG NAGMAHANGAD NG PAGKUPKOP NG KATAAS-TAASAN,  
AT NANANATILI SA KALINGA NYONG MAKAPANGYARIHAN.
2. MAKAPAGSASABI SA KANYANG PANGNOON: MUG'YAT TAHANAN,  
IKAW ANG KING DIYOS! ANG DIYOS NA TANGI KONG PINACTIWALAN.
3. IKAWY ILIGTAS NIYA SA PANGANIB, SA UMANG NA BITIG,  
AT KAHIT ANO MANG MABIGAT NA SALOT DI KA MAGDARAJAS.
4. LULUKUBAN NIYA SA LILIM NG KANYANG MALABAY NA PAKPAK,  
SA KALINGA NIYA AY NATITITAY MO NA IKAW AY LIGTAS  
INGATAN NIYAT IPAGBASANGGALANG, PAKAT SIYAT TAPAT,  
PAGSAPIT NG GABI, BE KA MATATAKOT SA ANUMANG BAGAP  
MAGING SA GAGAWING BINGALANG PAGLUSOB PAGSAPIT NG ARAN.
6. NI SA ANO PA WANG DARATIN NA SALOT PAGKAGAT NG DILIM  
DI KA MATATAKOT SA KASAMAAN MANG ARAW KUNG DUMATING.
7. KAHIT NA MABUWAL SA IYONG HARAPAN ANG SANLIBONG TAO  
SA IYONG PALIGID ANG BILANG NG PATAY MAGING SAMPUNG LIBO  
DI KA MATATAKOT AT NATITITAY MONG DI KA MAANO.
8. IKAWY NAGMAMASID AT SA PANOONO IYONG MAMAMASOON  
YANG MASASAMA AY MAKIKITA NYONG PINARURUSAHAN.
9. ISAGDAGAT SI YAREH ANG IYONG GUMANGGAD PANGBASANGGALANG  
AT ANG PINULI NYONG MAG-INGAT SA KAWY KATAAS-TAASAN.
10. DI MO AABUTING IKAWY MAPAMAMAK, AT WALANG DARATAL  
KAHIT ANONG URING WGA PAGHINRAP SA IYONG TAHANAN.
11. SUSUGUN NIYA ANG MARASIMING ANGHEL, SILANG SUSUBAYSAY  
KAHIT SILANG DAKO IKAW MAPAPOON, TIYAK INGATAN.
12. SA KANILANG PALAD AY ITATAYO KAT, SILANG MAGTATAAS  
NANG HINDI MASAKTAN ANG WGA PAA MO SA BATONG MATALAS.
13. KAHIT ANG TAPAKAN MO AY WGA LEON, AHAS NA MABAGSIK  
DI KA MAJANO SA MGA SER-IBERTET LEONG MABABANGSIK.
14. ANO SABI NG DIYOS, AKING ILIGTAS ANG TAPAT SA AKIN  
AT INGATAN MO ANG SINUMANG TAONG AKOY KIKILANLIN.
15. PAG SILAY TUMAWAG, LAGING HANDA AKO NA SILAY PAKINGGON  
AKING SASAMAHAN AT KUNG MAY HILANIL AY SASAKOLOHAN  
AKING ILIGTAS AT ANG BAWAT ISA AY PARARANGALAN.
16. SILAY BIBIGYAN KO'Y GAGANTIMPALAAN NG MAHABANG BUMAY  
AT NAKATITITAY NA ANG TATAMUHIN NILAY KALIGTASAN.

DIOS  
AMA

NAIS  
KO

HAW







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BANAHAW



Sa Pagsikat  
ng Liwanag

NAIS KONG  
IBIGIN KA  
HINDI DAHIL  
SA PAGPAPALA  
NAIS KONG  
IBIGIN KA  
HINDI DAHIL  
SA HIMALA  
NAIS KONG  
IBIGIN KA  
DAHIL SA IKAW  
AY IKAW  
MAHAL KITA  
O DIYOS  
WALA NG IBA





## NORBERTO ROLDAN Bio

Norberto Roldan (b. 1953, Roxas City, Philippines; lives and works in Roxas City) has been a leading figure in the artistic landscape of the Philippines for decades. His installations, assemblages and paintings of found objects, text fragments, and found images address issues surrounding everyday life, history, collective memory, and the ways in which material objects are re-appropriated in another context.

In 1986, he founded the seminal artist group **Black Artists in Asia**—a Philippines-based group focused on socially and politically progressive practice—and in 1990 he established **VIVA EXCON** (Visayas Islands Visual Arts Exhibition and Conference), the region's longest-running biennale. Presently, he is the Artistic Director of **Green Papaya Art Projects**, which he co-founded in 2000. This independent artist-run initiative and alternative art space fosters collaboration and cultural exchange between artists, and remains the longest running independent and multi-disciplinary platform in the country. He graduated with a degree in BA Philosophy from St. Pius X Seminary and took his BFA in Visual Communication from the University of Santo Tomas.

He was represented in several landmark surveys like *No Country: Contemporary Art for South/Southeast Asia*, Solomon R Guggenheim Museum (2013); *Between Declarations & Dreams: Art of Southeast Asia Since the 19th Century*, National Gallery Singapore (2015); *SUNSHOWER: Contemporary Art from Southeast Asia 1980s to Now*, National Art Centre Tokyo (2017); and, *Passion and Procession: Art of the Philippines*, Art Gallery of New South Wales (2017).



## NORBERTO ROLDAN CV

b. 1953, Roxas City, PHL



100 Altars for Roberto Chabet / NO. 24, 2014-2020

### SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- 2024 *How Not to Win a Revolution*, Silverlens, New York
- 2023 *Art Basel*, Silverlens, Miami
- 2022 *Viva España/Long Live América*, Museo Iloilo, Iloilo City  
*The Social Volcano Diaries*, Silverlens Online Viewing Room
- 2021 *Objects Do Not Fall from the Sky*, MO\_Space, Manila
- 2020 *Ziggurat*, Silverlens, Manila
- 2018 *Artissima*, Silverlens, Torino  
*How can you jump over your shadow when you don't have one anymore?* Silverlens, Manila
- 2017 *Norberto Roldan: Rituals of Invasion and Resistance: Survey of Installation Works 1992-2017*, curated by Patrick D. Flores, Jorge B. Vargas Museum, University of the Philippines Diliman, Quezon City  
*In Search of Lost Time (with apologies to Marcel Proust)*, MO\_Space Bonifacio High Street, Taguig City
- 2015 *The Past Is Another Country*, MO\_Space, BCG Taguig  
*The Unbearable Whiteness of Beauty*, Taksu/Art fair Philippines, Makati
- 2014 *One Day I Will Find the Right Words and They Will Be Simple*, Taksu, Kuala Lumpur  
*Hymn Among the Ruins*, Taksu/Art Fair Philippines, Manila
- 2013 *Savage Nation*, MO\_Space, BCG Taguig  
*No Empire Lasts Forever*, Taksu, Singapore
- 2012 *Hail Mary, Vulcan Artbox*, Waterford, Ireland  
*Heretical Bias Towards Indifference*, Now Gallery, Manila
- 2011 *The Beauty of History Is That It Does Not Reside in One Place*, Taksu at Art Stage Singapore  
*The Beginning of History and Fatal Strategies*, Now Gallery, Manila
- 2010 *Not Past Nor Future, Neither Dead Or Alive*, Silverlens, Manila
- 2009 *Give Me Tears Give Me Love Let Me Rest Lord Above*, Pablo Gallery-The Fort, Manila  
*Sacred is the New Profane*, Taksu, Singapore  
*Everything is Sacred*, Taksu, Kuala Lumpur
- 2008 *Objects and Apparitions*, MO Space, Manila
- 2007 *Oil*, Magnet Gallery, Manila
- 2005 *Esperanza y Caridad*, Green Papaya Art Projects, Manila

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- 2004 *Confessional Box*, Alliance Française de Manille, Manila
- 2003 *Mother of Perpetual Colony*, Charles Darwin University Gallery, Darwin, NT Australia
- 2001 *Faith on the Periphery*, Green Papaya Art Projects, Manila
- 1999 *Faith in Sorcery, Sorcery in Faith*, Hiraya Gallery, Manila
- 1994 *Orasyon*, Hiraya Gallery, Manila
- 1989 *Images of the Continuing Struggle*, Artspace, Sydney, NSW Australia
- 1987 *Images of War*, Hiraya Gallery, Manila

### SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2024 *Markers: Silverlens @ 20*, Silverlens, Manila  
*Art Fair Philippines*, Silverlens, Manila
- 2023 *Shrines*, Silverlens, New York  
*Art Fair Philippines*, Silverlens, Manila
- 2022 *17th Istanbul Biennial*, Istanbul, Turkey  
*Art Fair Philippines*, Silverlens, Manila
- 2021 *Art Fair Philippines*, Silverlens, Manila  
*SOUTH SOUTH VEZA*, SOUTH SOUTH Platform
- 2020 *Anticipating the Day*, Silverlens, Manila
- 2018-2020 *A beast, a god and a line*, a travelling exhibition
- MAMAM Contemporary Art Museum, Chiang Mai, Thailand
  - Kunsthall Trondheim, Norway
  - Museum of Modern Art, Warsaw
  - TS1 Yangon, Myanmar
  - Para Site, Hong Kong
  - Dhaka Art Summit, Dhaka, Bangladesh
- 2019 *The Hybridity and Dynamism of the Contemporary Art of the Philippines*,  
HansaeYes24 Foundation, Seoul  
*Yellow Ambiguities*, Ateneo Art Gallery, Manila  
*Art Basel*, Silverlens, Hong Kong  
*Unfolding: Fabric of Our Life*, Mill6 CHAT, Hong Kong  
*Stories We Tell To Scare Ourselves With*, Museum of Contemporary Art, Taipei
- 2018 *The sun teaches us that history is not everything*, Osage, Hong Kong  
*Art Basel*, Silverlens, Hong Kong

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- 2017 ***Philippine Art: Collecting Art, Collecting Memories***, Asian Art Museum, San Francisco  
***Sunshower: Contemporary Art from Southeast Asia 1980 to Now***, Mori Art Museum and National Art Center, Tokyo, Japan  
***Passion and Procession: Art of the Philippines***, Art Gallery of New South Wales, Sydney, Australia  
***2nd Kamias Triennial***, Kamias Special Projects, Quezon City  
***Net Present Value: Art, Capital, Futures***, Southeast Asia Forum/ Art Stage Singapore, Marina Bay Sands, Singapore  
***Translaci3n***, Inaugural Exhibition, Curated by Gary-Ross Pastrana, Silverlens, Manila  
***Art Stage Singapore***, Taksu, Art Stage Singapore, Singapore
- 2016 ***SEMANGAT X: Visual Expressions of Southeast Asian Identity***, Galeri Petronas, Kuala Lumpur
- 2015 ***Wasak: Philippine Contemporary Art***, Arndt Gallery, Berlin, Germany  
***REV | ACTION: Contemporary Art from Southeast Asia***, Sundaram Tagore Gallery, New York  
***First Look: Collecting Contemporary at the Asian***, Asian Art Museum, USA  
***Art Basel Hong Kong***, Arndt, Art Basel Hong Kong, Hong Kong  
***Art Stage Singapore***, Taksu, Art Stage Singapore, Singapore  
***What does it all matter as long as the wounds fit the arrows?***, Cultural Center of the Philippines, Manila
- 2014 ***Manila: The Night Is Restless, The Day Is Scornful***, Arndt Gallery, Gillman Barracks, Singapore  
***No Country: Contemporary Art for South/Southeast Asia, Center for Contemporary Art***, Gillman Barracks, Singapore and Asia Society, Hong Kong
- 2013 ***No Country: Contemporary Art for South/Southeast Asia***, Solomon R Guggenheim Museum, New York  
***The Philippine Contemporary: To Scale the Past and the Possible***, Metropolitan Museum of Manila, Manila
- 2011 ***Negotiating Home, History and Nation: Two Decades of Contemporary Art from Southeast Asia, 1991-2010***, Singapore Art Museum, Singapore
- 2003 ***Santo (Art of People 3)***, Fukuoka Asian Art Museum, Fukuoka, Japan
- 2001 ***RX: Critical Remedies (two-person show with Nona Garcia)***, Lopez Museum, Manila  
***Devotion (two-person show with Alfredo Esquillo)***, John Batten Gallery, Hong Kong  
***Faith + the City: A Survey of Philippine Contemporary Art***, Touring: Singapore / Jakarta / Bangkok / Manila  
***Who Owns Women's Bodies***, Touring: Manila / Bangkok / Myanmar / Tokyo
- 1998 ***Philip Morris Asean Art Awards***, Hanoi Opera House, Hanoi, Vietnam

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- 1997 **Memories of Overdevelopment: Philippine Diaspora in Contemporary Art**, UC Irvine, USA / Plug-in, Canada  
**New Generation of Asian Art**, Yonago City Museum of Art, Yonago, Japan
- 1992 **New Art from Southeast Asia**, Fukuoka Asian Art Museum / Hiroshima City Museum of Contemporary Art, Japan  
**2nd Lake Naguri Open Air Art Exhibition**, Naguri-mura, Japan

### OTHER ACTIVITIES

- 2019 **Keynote Speaker**, SHARING THE FIELD: Exchanges between Japan and the Philippines through art, Osaka, Japan
- 2018 **Artistic Director**, Visayas Islands Visual Arts Exhibition and Conference (VIVA EX CON), Roxas City, Capiz
- Guest Speaker**, Making Asian Art Public conversation at Monash University Symposium

### EDUCATION

- 1999-2001 MA Art Studies, University of the Philippines Diliman
- 1973-1976 BFA Visual Communications, University of Sto. Tomas
- 1969-1973 BA Philosophy, St. Pius X Seminary

### SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

Balaguer, John Alexis. "Between History and Hope." *ArtAsiaPacific*, September/October 2020, vol. 120 pp. 92 - 95

Recinto, Marv. "The House Is Still Burning: Censorship, Pandemic and Art in the Philippines." *Art- Review Asia*. Accessed 25 June 2020. <https://artreview.com/censorship-pandemic-covid-art-philippines-doloricon-green-papaya/>

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February 2017

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Dayao, Dodo, Lost Time and Future Rituals: The Journey of Artist Peewee Roldan, ROGUE, Cox, Matt and Eastburn, Melanie, Passion and Procession, Look Magazine, 2017

Tran, John L., Southeast Asian Art Gets its Biggest Showing in Japan, Japan Times, 2017

Fen, Kok Hui. Finders Weavers. Gallery & Studio, 2014

Lalwani, Bharti, Guggenheim "discovers" Southeast Asia, Eyeline Issue No.82, 2014

Gestalten, WASAK! Filipino Art Today, P.134-143, 2013

Cotter, Holland, No Country, New Asian Art at the Guggenheim, New York Times, February 21, 2013

Ang, Kristiano, Guggenheim Looks East in New Show, The Wall Street Journal/Asia, February 20, 2013

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