



Capturing Dreams : A Photo Exhibit by KLM

KLM Royal Dutch Airlines turns 60 in the Philippines on December 5, 2011. To commemorate this momentous occasion, the only European airline that has been operating in the country for 60 uninterrupted years is holding a photo exhibit at the ground floor of the RCBC Plaza, corner Sen. Gil Puyat and Ayala Avenues, Makati City from 28 November until 16 December 2011.

The colorful works of four highly experienced photographers will be featured alternately during the three-week-long exhibit. Images of KLM destinations will be displayed, including shots taken by the two winners of the recent photo competition, KLM On Assignment Europe, when they travelled on an all-expense paid trip to the Netherlands last October.



The exhibit not only highlights the beautiful places about which people dream to visit once in their lifetime. It is also about the poorest of the poor Filipinos who for sometime lost their self-esteem but are now being transformed and reformed with a renewed hope of [for] a better future. Over a period of two years, Air France KLM and its friends here and abroad have helped build 45 homes for marginalized families living in Bagong Silang. Today, these families with young children are now able to dream beyond their imagination, limited in the past when they were confined to hopelessness and self-pity in their impoverished state.

Capturing Dreams is dedicated to the Filipino traveler and to all the Filipinos who dare to dream big.

We proudly present four photographers who share with us images they have captured through their cameras during their trips around Europe ,Latin America and in their visit to the Air France KLM-Gawad Kalinga Village.

Eli van Ingen is brand ambassador for Air France and KLM in the Philippines. He is also an experienced photographer and former executive in a large international company. Since 2005, he has been living in the Philippines with his Filipina wife. His passion for travel is depicted in his photos.

Christian Sangoyo is one of the two top winners of KLM and Digital Photographer Philippines' recent photo competition, KLM On Assignment Europe. He, together with fellow winner Joel, embarked on a 7-day journey around the Netherlands to capture images of Dutch places, both historical and modern-day. In his pitch when he joined the contest, Christian described himself as "I am travel, my home is the road."

Joel H. Garcia is also one of the top winners of KLM On Assignment Europe. He has likewise won major awards in other photo competitions. Through his photos, Joel is able to lead you on a journey that you become so engaged to take, that you look around at the end of it and can't believe how far you've come. He encourages people to dream big because life is too short.

Alex van Hagen is a much-respected Dutch photographer living in the Philippines who has done his own exhibits in the past. He favors landscapes and still life photos, capturing his subjects in unique creativity that depicts his passion for the arts. On the other hand, Alex has also photographed glamorous events and people in Philippine high society.