Sentro ng Filipino
Sentro Rizal: Your Filipino connection

On June 28, 2011, in celebration of the 150th birth anniversary of Dr. Jose Rizal, Sentro Rizal was formally established by the National Commission for Culture and the Arts (NCCA).

The center is all about Philippine culture created for overseas Filipinos and for anyone who is interested in anything Filipino.

Best of all, Sentro Rizal is designed to have you in it. You are most welcome to be here.

Say Mabuhay.
Learn.
Understand.
Engage.
Share.
Sentro Rizal is named after Jose Rizal

Jose Rizal is the Philippines' acclaimed national hero. He was born on June 19, 1861 in Calamba, Laguna and died on December 30, 1896 in Manila. A writer and a polymath, he championed the values of love of family and country, peace, and freedom through his works and writings. As a patriot, he was also an advocate of the productive involvement of women and youth in nation-building. His novels Noli Me Tangere and El Fílibusterismo are considered to have inspired the Philippines' quest for independence in 1898.

The official logo of Sentro Rizal (SR) is composed of letters rendered in the ancient Filipino syllabaric script known as baybayin, and stylized to form a balangay, an ancient Philippine edged-pegged plank boat. The image reflects the maritime heritage of Filipinos and the character of Filipino migrants. It also represents the quest of individuals in exploring the real essence of Filipino identity through culture and arts.
Envisioning culturally-literate overseas Filipino communities

Sentro Rizal aims to promote Philippine arts, culture, and language around the world through the establishment of Philippine centers in various countries.

By engaging the international community in the centers’ cultural projects, activities, and resource materials, Sentro Rizal seeks to:

- Deepen understanding and enhance appreciation of the Philippines and Filipino culture;
- Generate and nurture culturally-literate and participative communities of overseas Filipinos; and
- Foster mutual understanding and stimulate partnerships between Filipinos and non-Filipino residents of the host countries.
A Cultural Resource Center

Sentro Rizal maintains a library collection of resource materials on the following subject matters/genres:

- Philippine tangible and intangible cultural heritage
- Philippine pre-history and history
- Philippine arts
- Philippine languages and dictionaries
- Ethnolinguistic communities and indigenous knowledge systems and practices
- Food production and security, cuisine and gastronomy
- Art magazines, academic journals, periodicals, brochures, posters, etc.
- Filipino films and documentaries
- Tourism, trade and industry

VIRTUAL SENTRO RIZAL (VSR)
The VSR is a portable and multilingual 500-gigabyte database of digital Filipina collection, enabling an appreciation of Filipino heritage in this digital age through distance learning.

A Language Learning Center

Sentro Rizal offers Filipino language courses for the education and appreciation of Filipino and other nationals.

LANGUAGE COURSES

1. Filipino as a Second Language
   Beginner, Intermediate, Advanced levels.
   Open to:
   a. Volunteer teachers
   b. Students

2. Ortogapiyang Pambansa
   A seminar that focuses on the standard usage of the Filipino language, particularly the current rules and guidelines of its spelling system.

In the interest of promoting the standardized Filipino language, the Center may facilitate the enhancement of Filipino language classes/courses currently offered in schools, universities, and other academic institutions in their host country, including Philippine Schools Overseas (PSO).
A Cultural Hub

Get to know the colorful Filipino identity. Experience Philippine arts and culture anew.

Sentro Rizal takes the lead in organizing Philippine cultural events and activities for overseas Filipinos, their children as well as interested other nationals.

As an international cultural institution, Sentro Rizal conducts a vast array of cultural activities aimed at the promotion of Filipino culture abroad.

**DUNONG**
Lecture Series and Lecture-Performances on Philippine culture and history

**NOOD**
Film screenings

**LAHOK**
Creative workshops (performing, visual, literary arts, dance, etc.)

**BIGKAS**
Poetry readings/tertulya, storytelling, and other literary events

**TANGHAL**
Cultural performances

**DIWANG**
Celebrations of national holidays and other commemorative events

A Community

*Sama-Sama, Tulong-Tulong, Salo-Salo.*

The value of sharing is what makes Filipinos Filipino. Sentro Rizal embodies the natural togetherness and the welcoming nature of Filipinos as a community, treating everyone who enters its circle as family.

More than being a physical space for our fellow kababayan, Sentro Rizal is a haven of Filipino-ness blooming in another land that warmly offers the gifts of kinship.
Sentro Rizal
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