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DIVISION MEMORANDUM  
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**PARTICIPATION IN THE LECTURE SERIES ON “WHY MUSEUMS MATTER” AT  
THE NATIONAL MUSEUM OF THE PHILIPPINES – BOHOL (NMP-BOHOL)**

To: Public and Private Elementary and Secondary School Heads  
Teaching and Non-Teaching Personnel  
All Others Concerned

1. The National Museum of the Philippines – Bohol (NMP-Bohol) will be conducting a Lecture Series on **“Why Museums Matter” on October 15, 2025 (Wednesday), from 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.**, at the NMP-Bohol, Tagbilaran City.

This initiative forms part of the post-disaster heritage recovery efforts of the National Museum, in observance of the 12th Commemoration of the Great Bohol Earthquake that struck the province on October 15, 2013. The lecture aims to highlight the role of museums in safeguarding cultural heritage, promoting resilience, and strengthening community identity after disasters.

2. Interested teachers, students, and personnel from public and private elementary and secondary schools within the Division of Tagbilaran City are invited to participate in this activity. Attendance is purely voluntary, and participation shall be subject to the approval of the School Head to ensure that classes and essential school operations remain uninterrupted.
3. Attached is the invitation letter from the National Museum of the Philippines – Bohol, which is self-explanatory and provides additional details about the lecture series.
4. Wide dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

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**PAMBANSANG MUSEO NG PILIPINAS**  
**NATIONAL MUSEUM OF THE PHILIPPINES**

10 October 2025

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Dear Dr. Bongalos:

***Greetings from the center of education, science, and heritage preservation and promotion in the island province of Bohol!***

In celebration of the 2025 Museums and Galleries Month (MGM), the National Museum of the Philippines Bohol is pleased to present its public program, **“WHY MUSEUMS MATTER: On Post-Disaster Recovery”**, on **15 October 2025** at the NMP Bohol.

Guided by this year’s theme, *“Resilient Museums and Galleries: Educating for Preparedness and Recovery,”* the program seeks to highlight the role of the National Museum Bohol as a hub for dialogue on heritage conservation, disaster preparedness, and sustainable cultural development in the province of Bohol. The session on October 15 will focus on the contribution of cultural agencies in rebuilding damaged heritage structures, alongside the vital role of faith communities in ensuring their preservation and continuity.

In this regard, the National Museum of the Philippines Bohol is delighted to invite interested students, teachers, and/or personnel from the Division of City Schools – Tagbilaran City to partake in the lecture series of **“WHY MUSEUMS MATTER”** with the following schedule:

Lecture Series	Date	Time	Venue
<b>WHY MUSEUMS MATTER: On Post-Disaster Heritage Recovery</b>	15 October 2025	9:00 AM – 5:00 PM	NMP-Bohol

Attached is the working program of the lecture series, for your reference. Should you require any additional information or details regarding this request, please do not hesitate to contact us at 0963-643-7816 or 0927-5808-189.

Thank you very much, and we look forward to receiving your confirmation and acceptance of this invitation.

Respectfully yours,

**RACHELLE C. LACEA**  
 Head, National Museum Bohol

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**OCTOBER 15, 2025 - PROGRAM OF ACTIVITIES**

(Time)	(Particulars)
<b>October 15, 2025</b>	
9:00 am – 9:45am	<b>Preliminary Activities</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Arrival &amp; Registration</li> <li>• Brief Introduction of the Activity</li> <li>• Welcome Remarks – Atty. Ma. Cecilia U. Tirol, Director II- Visayas National Museums</li> <li>• Sharing of expectations</li> <li>• Setting of House Rules</li> </ul>
09:45 am – 10:15am	<b>Session 1: Foundations of Post-Disaster Heritage Recovery</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Why museums matter in disaster preparedness and recovery</li> <li>• Lessons from Bohol’s 2013 earthquake: partnerships and resilience</li> <li>• International frameworks on cultural heritage recovery</li> </ul>
10:15am – 10:30 am	<b>HEALTH BREAK</b>
10:30 am – 11:15 am	<b>Session 2: PAGBANHAW: On the perspective of the NMP</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The role of cultural agencies in rebuilding the damaged built heritage structures and the importance of its preservation</li> <li>• Establishes the <i>scientific, technical, and policy foundation</i> for post-disaster heritage recovery → the “how”</li> <li>• Case studies from Bohol heritage recovery</li> </ul>
11:15 am – 12:15 nn	<b>Session 3: PAGBANHAW: On the perspective of the Church</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The role of faith communities in rebuilding the damaged built heritage structures and the importance of its preservation</li> <li>• Church-led recovery efforts and partnerships with agencies</li> <li>• The human and spiritual dimension of rebuilding</li> <li>• Heritage as sacred space</li> </ul>
<b>LUNCH BREAK</b>	
1:30 pm – 2:00 pm	<b>Performing Arts “Oktubre Kinse”</b>
2:00 pm – 3:00 pm	<b>PANEL DISCUSSION: Integrating Museums and Communities in Educating for Disaster Preparedness and Recovery</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Conservation practitioners, museum professionals, architects, local artisans, and faith leaders will discuss best practices, challenges, and innovations in post-earthquake heritage restoration efforts.</li> <li>• Emphasis on interdisciplinary collaboration among cultural agencies, religious institutions, museums, local governments, and community members.</li> </ul> Panel Moderator: Rachele C. Lacea
3:00 pm – 4:00 pm	<b>SHARING OF REFLECTIONS and RECOMMENDATION IDENTIFICATION</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Develop actionable recommendations for strengthening museum and community partnerships in disaster preparedness and heritage conservation.</li> </ul>
4:00 pm – 4:30 pm	<b>Final Reading of Call to Action on Disaster Preparedness and Recovery</b>
4:30 pm – 5:00 pm	<b>Closing Activities</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Closing Remarks</li> <li>• Giving of Certificates</li> </ul>

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