



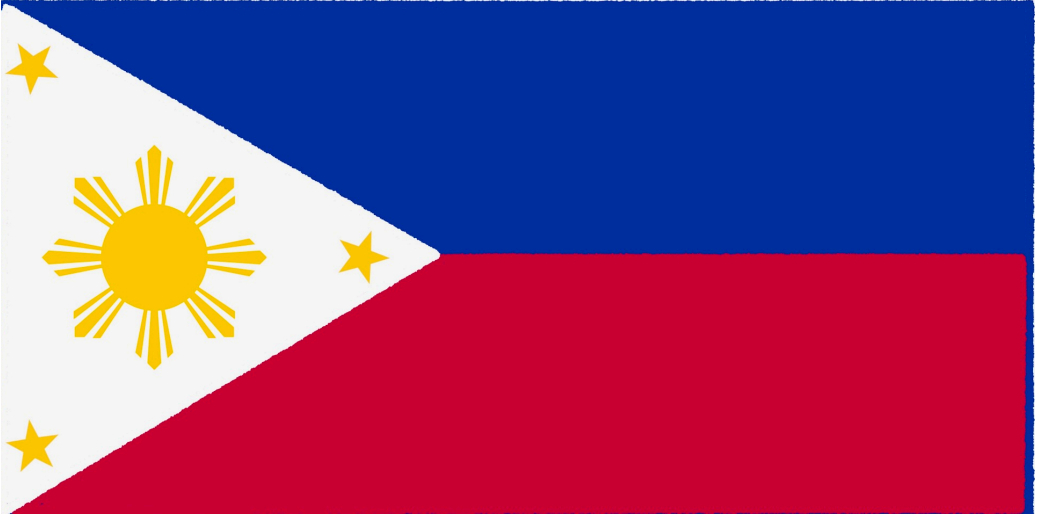
HISTORIC SARANAC LAKE

PRESENTS

PRESIDENT QUEZON

HISTORY DAY

HONORING FILIPINO CULTURE AND HISTORY



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KALAYAAN 1521
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PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Eighty years ago, the first democratically elected president of the Philippines, Manuel Luis Quezon, came to Saranac Lake for his health, and

WHEREAS, President Quezon died on August 1, 1944 at Camp Massapequa on Lower Saranac Lake, and

WHEREAS, President Quezon is remembered for his fight for Filipino independence, and while president, he reorganized the Commonwealth's military, fought against government corruption, and proposed land reform; and

WHEREAS, In 2015, a posthumous Wallenberg Medal was awarded to Quezon and the people of the Philippines for providing sanctuary to Jewish people fleeing the Holocaust from 1937 to 1941; and

WHEREAS, President Franklin D. Roosevelt said on the day of Quezon's death, "We will always remember President Quezon with admiration and affection. He will be remembered by his people with the respect and veneration that we in the United States have for the name of George Washington;" and

WHEREAS, Historic Saranac Lake is organizing a day of activities to commemorate President Quezon on August 3, including a street fair, dance performances, and a special museum exhibit; and

WHEREAS, Saranac Lake will welcome elected officials and members of the Filipino community of the North Country and beyond to attend the special event on August 3.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jimmy Williams Mayor of the Village of Saranac Lake, NY do hereby proclaim August 3, 2024 as **President Quezon History Day**

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and seal this 22nd day of July, 2024

—Jimmy Williams, Mayor

PROGRAM

Opening Ceremony

HARRIETSTOWN
TOWN HALL
39 MAIN STREET
11AM

Master of Ceremonies — Cheryl Hoyer, representing Kalayaan 1521 and the Filipino-American Club of Schenectady

NATIONAL ANTHEMS

- U.S. National Anthem by Lisa Keegan, Saranac Lake
- National Anthem of Canada by Panday Tinig, Montreal
- National Anthem of the Philippines by Panday Tinig

INVOCATION

KEYNOTES and INTRODUCTIONS

- Amy Catania, Executive Director, Historic Saranac Lake
- Sol Kapunan, Founding President, Kalayaan 1521 Council

WELCOME

- Harrietstown Town Supervisor Jordanna Mallach
- Billy Jones, New York State Assembly Member

PROCLAMATION Mayor Jimmy Williams

GUEST SPEAKERS

- Senen T. Mangalile, Philippine Consul General of New York
- Steven Raga, New York State Assembly Member

DANCE PERFORMANCES

- Golden Maidens, Montreal, Canada
- KAōS Dance Collective, NY City

AFTERNOON ACTIVITIES

Street Fair

MAIN STREET
NOON – 5PM

Visit vendor booths including Filipino food on Main Street, in front of the Hotel Saranac. Performances in the Berkeley Green:

- Dance by Funraisers of New York
- Dance by Albany-Sinulog Dance Troupe
- Music by Wicked Indios Band
- Music by Brown Sugar Band

Museum Exhibits

SARANAC LABORATORY
MUSEUM
89 CHURCH STREET
NOON – 5PM

Visit the Saranac Laboratory Museum to view exhibits about President Quezon in Saranac Lake.

- The first 75 visitors to explore the special exhibits will receive a ticket for a complimentary drink (beer or wine) at the Hotel Saranac for the closing reception.
- Special guests, sponsors, and volunteers are invited to a private catered lunch in the museum library, provided by Kapamilya Restaurant.

Closing Reception

HOTEL SARANAC
100 MAIN STREET
5 – 7PM

Enjoy complimentary breads and cheese with a cash bar in the Great Hall, on the second floor of the Hotel Saranac. Bring your drink coupon from the museum to enjoy a complimentary beverage.

Admission to all events is free of charge. Donations to support the work of Historic Saranac Lake are gratefully accepted.

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ABOUT THE SPEAKERS

CONSUL GENERAL SENEN T. MANGALILE

Consul General Senen T. Mangalile became the 19th Consul General of the Philippines in New York in January 2023.

As Consul General, Mr. Mangalile is responsible for the promotion of commercial, economic, cultural and scientific relations between the Philippines and ten states in the US Northeast, and the protection of the interests of Filipino citizens living and working there.

Mr. Mangalile holds the rank of Chief of Mission or Ambassador at the Department of Foreign Affairs, which he joined in 1997 and where his most recent role was Assistant Secretary of the Office of Consular Affairs.

Abroad, he previously served at the Embassies of the Philippines in Switzerland, the United Kingdom, and Turkey, at the Philippine Mission to the International Maritime Organization, and at the Philippine Consulate General in Osaka, Japan.

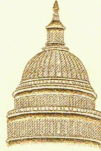
Upon assuming office, Consul General Mangalile extended to community leaders in his jurisdiction a sincere offer of partnership so that together they can raise awareness of the huge contributions of the Filipino diaspora to the fabric of American society. He remains committed to this partnership and its mission.

ASSEMBLYMEMBER STEVEN RAGA

Steven Raga is the First Filipino American elected to public office in the state of New York as an assembly member representing the 30th Assembly District. With two decades of public service experience, Steven has served as Executive Director of the non-profit organization "Woodside on the Move", as the Northeast Regional Manager for Policy and Advocacy for the Susan Kormen Breast Cancer Foundation, the Chief of Staff for Assembly Member Brian Bamwell, and Senior Strategist for Multicultural Leadership at AARP.

Currently, he is also a NY State Advisory Member for the U.S. Federal Commission on Civil Rights, appointed under President Obama, which has conducted investigations on discriminatory practices in housing, education, and prison reform.

KIRSTEN GILLIBRAND
NEW YORK



UNITED STATES SENATOR

August 3, 2024

Dear Friends,

It is a privilege to send greetings to everyone attending the President Quezon Historic Day festivities hosted by Historic Saranac Lake. This event is a valuable opportunity to reflect on the rich heritage of the region and the legacy that the Adirondack region has to offer.

I am grateful to everyone gathered here today for their longstanding dedication to sharing and celebrating Saranac Lake's rich history. Today's celebration is an opportunity to highlight Filipino culture and to embrace the diversity that, in fact, binds us together as a nation. It is my sincere hope that your steadfast efforts will inspire others to take part in actions to build stronger communities.

Please accept my best wishes for a wonderful event and many more years of continued success.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Kirsten Gillibrand".

Kirsten Gillibrand
United States Senator

ABOUT PRESIDENT MANUEL L. QUEZON



Manuel Luis Quezon was born on August 19, 1878, in Baler, Philippines. He was the second President of the Philippines and the first freely elected president. He served in office from 1935 until his death in 1944.

Quezon is remembered for his fight for Filipino independence. While president, he reorganized the Commonwealth's military, fought against government corruption, and proposed land reform. He did not live to see the Philippines gain full independence. During

World War II, when Japan occupied the Philippines in 1942, Quezon came to Washington D. C. to establish a government-in-exile.

President Quezon stayed in Saranac Lake the summers of 1943 and 1944. President Franklin Roosevelt invited him to stay at Camp Massapequa on Lower Saranac Lake to recover. Quezon's wife, Aurora, and their three children spent the summer with him. Despite his illness, Quezon remained dedicated to his work while curing.

Manuel Quezon died of tuberculosis on August 1, 1944, at Camp Massapequa. His body was brought by train for burial at Arlington National Cemetery. After the conclusion of the war, Quezon's remains were returned to the Philippines. Each year thousands visit his tomb at Quezon Memorial Circle in Manila.

"We will always remember President Quezon with admiration and affection. He will be remembered by his people with the respect and veneration that we in the United States have for the name of George Washington."

— President Franklin D. Roosevelt, August 1, 1944.

**Special thanks to the volunteers who have
helped make this event possible:**

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Historic Saranac Lake's mission is to preserve and present area history and architecture to build a stronger community. We operate the Saranac Laboratory Museum, open to the public year-round, Tuesday-Saturday, from 10am to 5pm.

Historic Saranac Lake is currently rehabilitating the former home and medical office of Dr. E. L. Trudeau on the corner of Church and Main Streets to expand the Saranac Laboratory Museum to become a two-building museum campus.

Find out more about the museum expansion and special events and tours at www.historicsaranaclake.org.