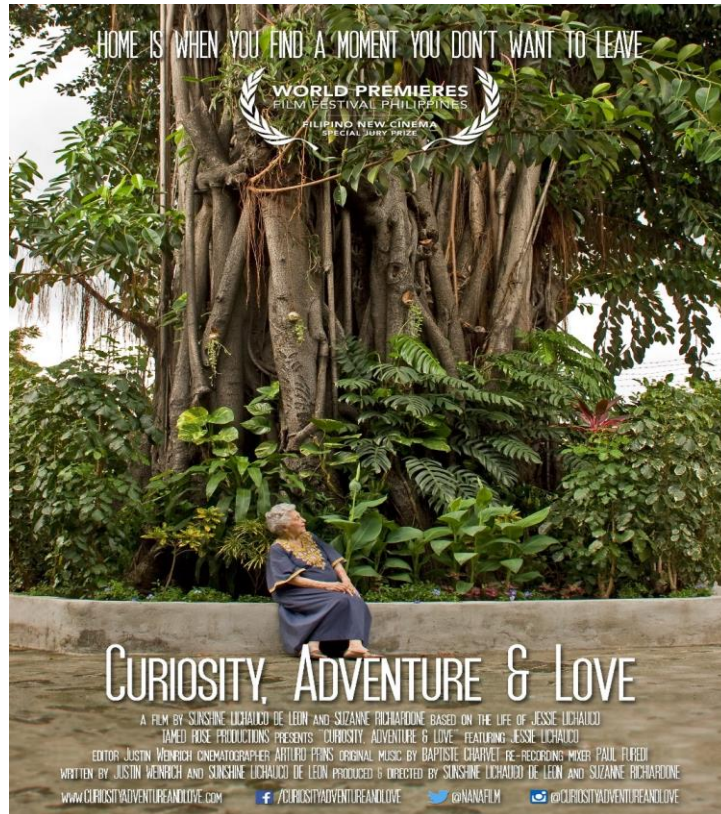




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## AWARD-WINNING FILIPINO DOCUMENTARY FILM “*CURIOSITY, ADVENTURE & LOVE*” TO PREMIER IN LOS ANGELES



Los Angeles, 26 April 2017 – The Philippine Consulate General in Los Angeles is pleased to announce the screening of the recently named Best Documentary Feature at the New York Los Angeles (NYLA) International Film Festival, “*Curiosity, Adventure & Love*” on **04 May 2017 at the Whitefire Theatre, 13500 Ventura Blvd. Sherman Oaks, CA 91423.**

“*Curiosity, Adventure & Love*”, a film by Sunshine Lichauco De Leon and Suzanne Richardone is based on the life of Jessie Lichauco, a 104-year-old American who journeys to the Philippines alone in the 1930s at age 18. The history of the country she has witnessed and the insights and wisdom of a woman whose indomitable spirit has inspired all who have known her.

Sunshine Lichauco De Leon, the granddaughter of Jessie Lichauco made this film because she wanted to inspire people to learn more about Philippine history and the details with which her grandmother remembers history bring it to life.

She believes that Jessie Lichauco’s life has been exceptional and truly unique, and the universal themes which her story touches – romance, marrying into another culture, adventuring to another country at a young age, history, war, saving children and her humanitarianism, will make the film appeal to any audience, regardless of age, gender or nationality.

The film has received various awards and recognitions, including, Winner Best Documentary Feature at New York Los Angeles (NYLA) International Film Festival; Semi-Finalist at Los Angeles Independent Film Festival Award (LAIFFA); Official selection of DOCS Without Border Film Festival.

The film was also invited to participate in the International Film Market in Nyon Switzerland on 21-19 April 2017 and in England from 09-14 June 2017.

The film competed in the “Filipino New Cinema” category of the 2016 World Premieres Film Festival Philippines, where it was awarded a Special Jury Prize for documentary.

The festival was held in Manila from 29 June to 10 July 2016, and the film was screened five times at major SM Malls in Metro Manila. It was later specially chosen to screen in Baguio, Ilo Ilo and Davao cities as part of the Film Development Council of the Philippines extended screening series.

It was also exhibited at the Cinemalaya (Philippine Independent Film) Festival in Manila on August 5-14, 2016 at the Cultural Center of the Philippines (CCP)’s Little Theatre.

To get more information about the film, please visit its official website at <http://www.curiosityadventureandlove.com/>. Please purchase your tickets at [http://nylaiff.com/LA\\_Tickets.html](http://nylaiff.com/LA_Tickets.html). END.