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REGION VII - CENTRAL VISAYAS  
SCHOOLS DIVISION OF NEGROS ORIENTAL

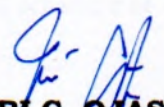
**Office of the Schools Division Superintendent**  
**DIVISION MEMORANDUM**  
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**2023 BUGLASAN FESTIVAL**

To: Assistant Schools Division Superintendents  
Chief, CID and SGOD  
Public Schools District Supervisors  
All Others Concerned

1. Enclosed is a letter from **Mrs. Glynda T. Descuatan**, *Festival Director* of **2023 Buglasan Festival** inviting all to celebrate the unique festivity showcasing the peculiar achievements in culture and arts of the province dubbed as **2023 BUGLASAN FESTIVAL** slated on October 14-22, 2023, bearing on the theme: **"Negros Oriental: Garbo sa Kabisay-an."** Such is a time when both Negorenses and Non Negorenses converge to experience the natural gaiety and abundance Negros Oriental has.
2. For profound details, please refer to the attachments.
3. Immediate dissemination of this memorandum is desired.

  
**NERI C. OJASTRO EdD, CESE**  
**Schools Division Superintendent**  
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September 14, 2023



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Republic of the Philippines  
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**NEGROS ORIENTAL PROVINCIAL TOURISM BOARD**  
Dumaguete City 6200



September 14, 2023

**DR. NERI C. OJASTRO, EdD, CESE**  
Schools District Superintendent  
DepEd, Negros Oriental Division

Dear **Dr. Ojastro**:

Greetings!

**Buglasan Festival** is a convergence of the Province's best achievements in culture and the arts, and its finest tourism goods and services, brought together in one central venue to be conveniently experienced by visitors and Oriental Negrenses alike.

Slated on **October 14-22, 2023**, Buglasan Festival anchored on the theme: "**Negros Oriental: Garbo sa Kabisay-an**", is once again expected to attract thousands of spectators and performing artists from all over the Province, the region, the country and abroad.

In this regard, may we invite you, and the whole Negros Oriental Division to join us in celebrating this grand showcase of our province's rich heritage and vibrant culture. Your presence, and those of your officials, faculty and staff can enhance the spirit of unity and appreciation for tourism, culture and the arts, in our province. We would appreciate it very much if you can share the Calendar of Events to all schools in Negros Oriental Division.

Please see the attached calendar of events for a detailed schedule of activities.

Very truly yours,

**GLYNDA T. DESCUATAN**  
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Vice Chairperson, Negros Oriental Tourism Council (NOTC)  
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Executive Director, Provincial Tourism Board  
Chairperson, Negros Oriental Tourism Council (NOTC)



**NEGROS ORIENTAL: "GARBO SA KABISAY-AN"**  
October 14-22, 2023

DATE	MAJOR CULTURAL EVENTS	VENUE	DESCRIPTION
October 14-21	<i>Buglasan LGU Booths Competition and Fair</i>		Each Local Government Unit or LGU will construct a booth, representative of what their town or city wishes to project.
October 15	<i>Miss Negros Oriental</i>	Lamberto Macias Sports and Cultural Center	A widely recognized beauty pageant within the province, showcasing the grace, intelligence, and beauty of young women as they vie for the prestigious title and the opportunity to be ambassadors of their city/municipality.
October 20	<i>Buglasan Festival of Festivals</i>	Dumaguete City Streets (Street Dance) Lamberto Macias Sports and Cultural Center (Showdown)	This is the highlight of the festival showcasing the festivals of each town and city of the province, seen in elaborate movements and dance pageantry during field presentation and street dancing.
October 21	<i>Buglasan Float Parade and Competition</i>	Dumaguete City Streets	A dazzling procession of beautifully designed floats, each representing various local government units (LGUs) in Negros Oriental.
October 21	<i>Buglasan Music Fest</i>	Escaño Strip Northpoint Street Party	A lively celebration of music, featuring a variety of performances that resonate with the diverse tastes and vibrant energy of the Festival.
October 22	<i>Hari ng Negros</i>	Lamberto Macias Sports and Cultural Center	An entirely different take on male pageantry, where talented and charismatic contenders from different LGUS in Negros Oriental and Negros Occidental showcase their talents and community pride, infusing the Buglasan Festival with a dynamic and competitive spirit.



DATE	SPORTS TOURISM EVENTS	VENUE	DESCRIPTION
October 7-8	<i>Buglasan Dulhog Downhill and Enduro Mountain Bike Competition</i>	Valencia, Negros Oriental	An exciting mountain biking competition where riders tackle tough trails, steep slopes, and obstacles to showcase their skills and passion for the sport.
October 14-15	<i>Buglasan Moto Tour Challenge</i>	Macias Oval Complex	An exciting and challenging motorcycle ride that covers a distance of 600 km, passing through all the towns of the province, within a specific time frame. It tests riders' endurance, navigation skills, as they explore the different tourist attractions.
October 18	<i>Buglasan Mr. and Miss Fitness Icon</i>	Convention Center	A competition among male and female fitness athletes in the country, participated in by various fitness gyms.
October 17-21	<i>Buglasan Billiard Tournament</i>	Daniel13, E.J. Blanco Road	A 9-ball billiard tournament participated in by invited billiard aficionados in the area and in the region.

DATE	OTHER CULTURAL EVENTS	VENUE	DESCRIPTION
October 7	<i>Buglasan Festival Costume Expo</i>	Robinsons Mall	A dynamic event showcasing a stunning array of culturally rich costumes, embodying the heritage and creativity of the province of Negros Oriental.
October 14-22	<i>Buglasan Underwater Photo Competition and Exhibit</i>		Captures the festival's essence through captivating photography, showcased in an exhibit that brings the Buglasan Festival to life in Negros Oriental.
October 14	<i>Civic-Military Parade/Ecumenical Service</i>  <i>Unveiling of the New Freedom Park and Stage</i>	Freedom Park	A vibrant display of unity, featuring floats, marching bands, and uniformed personnel from diverse organizations, all coming together to celebrate the Buglasan Festival in Negros Oriental. This will be capped with an Ecumenical Service.  The renovated Stage and the new look of the landscaping of Freedom

	<i>Sangguniang Kabataan Event- Opening Salvo</i>		Park will be unveiled.  SK Federation of the province hosts an evening of music, fun & entertainment
October 16	<i>Gandang NegOrense</i>	Lamberto Macias Sports & Cultural Center	A gay pageant that adds vibrant flair to the festival's festivities in Negros Oriental.
October 17	<i>Buglasan Singing Idol</i>	Freedom Park Stage	An enchanting display of vocal talents showcased by every city and municipality within Negros Oriental province.
October 18	<i>Buglasan Folk Dance (Category: Rural)</i>	Freedom Park Stage	Paying tribute to our heritage in dance, participated in by various local governments and schools in each town and cities of the province.
October 18	<i>Buglasan Folk Dance (Category: Western)</i>	Freedom Park Stage	This competition recognizes the western influences in our folk dances, and is participated in by local governments and schools in each town and cities of the province.
October 19	<i>Flavors of Sidlakang Negros</i>	Freedom Park Stage	Curating an exceptional culinary experience that showcases the rich food heritage of our province.
October 19	<i>Buglasan Dog Show</i>	Robinsons Mall	A heartwarming feature of the festival, highlighting the special bond between humans and their canine companions through diverse dog breeds and impressive displays of talent.
October 21	<i>Buglasan Inter-High School Streetdance Competition</i>	Lamberto Macias Sports and Cultural Center	An event where high school students from different schools in Negros Oriental come together to showcase their dance talents.

