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### CALL FOR ENTRIES TO THE 2023 GAWAD BIENVENIDO LUMBERA

The National Committee on Literary Arts (NCLA) of the National Commission for Culture and the Arts (NCCA), and the *Akademyang Kapampangan* (AKKAP) are conducting the 2023 *Gawad* Bienvenido Lumbera (GBL) NCLA National Literary Contest.

The GBL NCLA National Literary Contest aims to promote the development of national literature by awarding the best literary works in different languages in the Philippines. The award is named after National Artist for Literature Bienvenido Lumbera who inspired generations of Filipino writers. The Contest will award prizes for poetry and short story in ten Philippine languages: Bikol, Cebuano, Chavacano, Filipino, Ilokano, Kankanaey, Kapampangan, Kinaray-a, Pangasinan, and Waray.

The award is open to all Filipino writers of legal age as prescribed by the law at the time of the submission, except to the officers and members of the NCCA Secretariat, and the incumbent Executive Council (ExeCon) members of the NCCA-NCLA and AKKAP. The 2023 GBL is open for submissions until September 30, 2023.

The contest guidelines and registration forms may be viewed through the link: [bit.ly/gbl23call](http://bit.ly/gbl23call)

Participation of learners and teachers from public and private schools shall be purely voluntary and will not hamper instructional time in compliance with the provisions of DepEd Order (DO) No. 022, s. 2023 titled *Implementing Guidelines on the School Calendar and Activities for the School Year 2023–2024* and DO 9, s. 2005 titled *Instituting Measures to Increase Engaged Time-on-Task and Ensuring Compliance Therewith* and the policy on off-campus activities stated in DO 66, s. 2017.

For more information about the competition, send an email to [nclagbl.2023@gmail.com](mailto:nclagbl.2023@gmail.com).