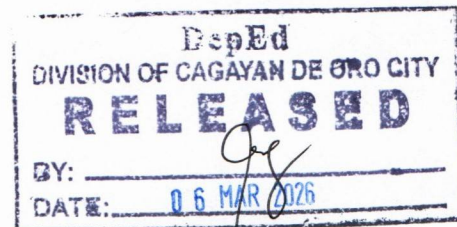




Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education
DIVISION OF CAGAYAN DE ORO CITY



Office of the Schools Division Superintendent

Division Advisory No. 08 s. 2026

March 4, 2026

In compliance with DepEd Order (DO) No. 8, s. 2013
this advisory is issued not for endorsement per DO 28, s. 2001,
but only for the information of DepEd officials,
personnel/staff, as well as the concerned public.
(Visit www.depedcdo.net)

CITY-LEVEL YOUNG ARTISTS AND AUTHORS SHOWCASE (YAAS) 2026

The Office of the City Mayor, Rolando A. Uy, formally endorses the participation of Kagay-anon learners in the **City-Level Young Artists and Authors Showcase (YAAS) 2026**, an international youth competition organized by Sister Cities International. This activity aims to express the youth creativity through the theme "Voices of Today, Visions of Tomorrow". For further details, see attached communication.

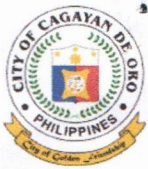
Participation to this activity shall be on voluntary basis as such, participants themselves shall shoulder any registration fees, and travel/incidental expenses. Furthermore, their participation shall be subject to the non-disruption of classes policy as stipulated in DepEd Order No. 9, s. 2005, titled "*Instituting Measures to Increase Engaged Time-on-Task and Ensuring Compliance Therewith*".

DA001-SGOD-HRDS-MCTG / CITY-LEVEL YOUNG ARTISTS AND AUTHORS SHOWCASE (YAAS)
2026/March 4, 2026



Address: Fr. William F. Masterson Ave., Upper Balulang, Cagayan de Oro City
Telephone: (088) 855-0044, (088) 855-0047, (088) 328-2142
Email Address: cagayandeoro.city@deped.gov.ph
Website: <https://depedcdo.net/>

Doc. Ref. Code		Rev	
Effectivity		Page	1 of 2



Republic of the Philippines
City of Cagayan de Oro
OFFICE OF THE CITY MAYOR

**cagayan
de Oro**
city of golden friendship



28 January 2026

DR. ROY ANGELO E. GAZO

City Schools Division Superintendent
Department of Education – Division of Cagayan de Oro City
Cagayan de Oro City

Dear Dr. Gazo,

Bulawanong Adlaw!

On behalf of the City Government of Cagayan de Oro, I am pleased to formally endorse and invite the participation of Kagay-anon students in the City-Level Young Artists and Authors Showcase (YAAS) 2026, an international youth competition organized by Sister Cities International.

Sister Cities International is proud to present the 2026 Young Artists and Authors Showcase, inviting youth from around the world to express their creativity through the theme "Voices of Today, Visions of Tomorrow." This year's theme comes at a historic moment as the United States marks 250 years since its founding, while Sister Cities International celebrates 70 years of building global friendships and cultural understanding. It reflects the continuing journey toward a more interconnected, inclusive, and peaceful world.

Open to artists, writers, photographers, and musicians aged 12 to 18, the Showcase provides a unique platform for young people to explore how creativity can unite communities, celebrate shared humanity, and envision a better future. Submissions are accepted across various mediums, including visual art, essays, poetry, photography, and music, allowing students to express their ideas and perspectives in ways most meaningful to them.

By participating in this inspiring international competition, young Kagay-anon creators will have the opportunity to share their vision of a world where today's voices help shape tomorrow's global community. Winning entries will be featured across Sister Cities International's global network, inspiring people, partnerships, and cultural exchange worldwide.

In preparation for the international competition, the City Government of Cagayan de Oro will conduct a City-Level YAAS 2026, through which selected student entries will officially represent the city at the international level.

In this regard, I respectfully seek the support of the Schools Division Office in disseminating this endorsement to all public schools in the city and in encouraging eligible students to participate in this prestigious showcase.

Thank you for your continued partnership in advancing programs that nurture creativity, cultural appreciation, and global citizenship among our Kagay-anon learners.

Very truly yours,

ROLANDO A. UY
City Mayor
Cagayan de Oro

2/F Executive Building
City Hall Compound, Capistrano-Hayes Streets
Cagayan de Oro City, Philippines
www.cagayandeoro.gov.ph

"Mother Nature weeps, her tears unseen,
In polluted waters, that once ran clean.
Her breath stolen by fumes of our creation,
Yet she offers hope, a chance for salvation.

Envision a city, green and alive,
Where nature and progress harmoniously
thrive.
With gardens everywhere, and parks all
around.
Life in a warm embrace unbound

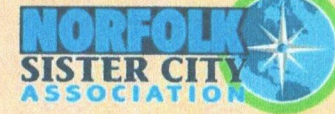
Smile



SisterCities
INTERNATIONAL
Connect globally. Thrive locally.



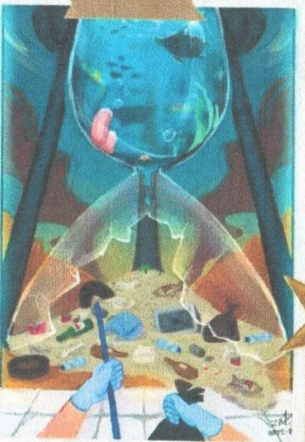
cagayan
de Oro
city of golden friendship



City = Level YAAS 2026

Theme:

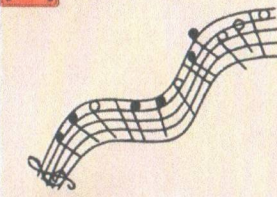
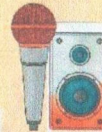
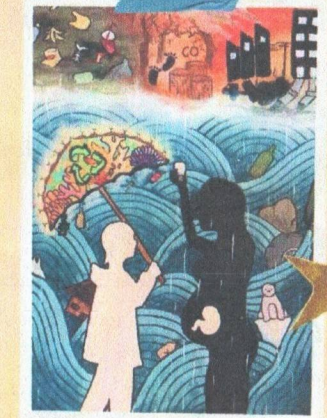
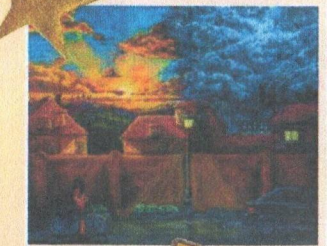
VOICES OF TODAY, VISIONS OF TOMORROW



read

"...I remember 13 years ago when Sendong happened. When the city wept the death of its people. How houses were destroyed and properties were damaged. This created a bitter picture we would carry forever. Despite being tested, we are able to return. The city learns, it adapts. I recently visited Tibasa. One of the places that was most affected by Sendong, and I saw how the disaster improved their quality of life. They built a dike to help with the river, and now the bridge became a known hangout spot for people of all ages. I saw how they created solutions to future storms. Proving how our city is resilient..."

My formula to take will emotion, and it's okay. It reminds me that f...



gROW