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### **DREAMPLAY FOSTERS TALENTED KIDS WITH ITS ANNUAL “KING JULIEN DANCE OFF” AND “SING OFF” COMPETITIONS**

DreamPlay, the world’s first DreamWorks-inspired interactive play space, held its second annual “Sing Off” and third anniversary “King Julien Dance Off” in two separate grand finals at Chaos Manila as part of its commitment to hone and discover young talented children. 10-year-old Maria Queen Elizabeth Casas and GFAM, the boys dance group were named as champions of singing and dance competition, respectively.

“DreamPlay’s Sing Off and Dance Off have served as a platform for children from all around the country to showcase their skills and a launch pad for budding superstar singers and dancers here and abroad. Since we started the two contests, hundreds of talented children have participated and we hope that their experience has helped to instill in them more confidence and pride in their talents,” stated Michael Ziemer, City of Dreams Manila’s Vice President for Hotels, Food & Beverage.

#### *DreamPlay’s Sing Off*

Casas who hails from Pililia, Rizal won the hearts of the audience and judges with her rendition of DreamWorks’ Madagascar and Flushed Away animation theme songs: “What A Wonderful World” and “Proud Mary” during the singing battle with eight grand finalist from among hundreds of contestants since the pre-qualifying rounds.

Last year’s champion, 11-year-old Kristel Belo who recently won the Southeast Asian singing competition held in Singapore, also performed during the program. She is slated to represent the Philippines in the World Championship of Performing Artists in California, USA. Since the competition’s launch last year, more than 300 talented children have joined DreamPlay’s Sing Off competition.

The grand champion prizes for Casas included Php 25,000 in cash; a DreamPlay Plaque; a DreamPlay Annual Pass; DreamShop and Chez Gingy vouchers worth Php 1,000 each; a gift voucher for an overnight stay at a deluxe room with breakfast for two at Nobu Hotel Manila; a photo opportunity with DreamWorks characters; and a special invitation to upcoming DreamPlay events.

The Sing Off Runner up received Php 12,000.00 in cash; a DreamPlay Plaque; six DreamPlay Tickets; DreamShop and Chez Gingy vouchers worth P1,000 each; and a photo opportunity with DreamWorks characters.



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Each of the remaining finalists also took home P2,500 in cash; a DreamPlay Certificate; four DreamPlay Tickets; DreamShop and Chez Gingy vouchers worth P500 each; and a group photo with the DreamWorks characters.

DreamPlay's "Sing Off" judges included Migz Haleco, a Sessionista of ABS-CBN Channel 2's Sunday noontime show, ASAP and City of Dreams Manila's executives: DreamPlay's Senior Manager for Operations Arnold Uriarte, Director of Public Relations Mina Gervacio, Director of Resort Brand & Marketing Tes Aranda and Rooms Division Training Manager Ardie Valerio.

### *King Julien Dance Off*

Besting eight other grand finalists, the young and talented all male group of GFAM emerged as "King Julien Dance Off" champion. They brought home P80,000 in cash and the coveted DreamPlay championship trophy. Each GFAM member also received two weekend passes at DreamPlay; a Chez Gingy voucher worth P1,000; and a fun group photo with renowned DreamWorks characters; and a special invitation to upcoming DreamPlay events.

The kids of GFAM mentioned that they will use their prize money for their education which includes tuition fees and other school expenses.

They formed their dance troupe last year in order to join the dance competition's second season and made it as one of the grand finalists. Since then, they also took part in different dance competitions and won first place in World Supremacy Battle Ground (Young Guns Division) earlier this year and back-to-back champion of Inter School Dance Sports Competition (National Capital Region 2017-2018).

The runner up received P25,000 in cash and a DreamPlay trophy. Each member of the runner up group also took home DreamShop and Chez Gingy vouchers worth P500 each; and a group photo with DreamWorks characters.

The remaining finalists were each rewarded with P8,000; a DreamPlay Plaque; and a photo opportunity with DreamWorks characters.

The roster of judges included Job Angelo Zamora, member of Maneuvers, dance instructor at ABS-CBN'S Star Magic, and businessman; City of Dreams Manila executives: Ziemer, Uriarte and Chaos Manila Entertainment Manager Cristina Coloma.

For more information on DreamPlay, guests can call (02) 800 8080 or visit [cityofdreamsmanila.com](http://cityofdreamsmanila.com).

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### **About City of Dreams Manila**

The luxury integrated casino resort City of Dreams Manila marks the formal entry of Melco Resorts & Entertainment Limited into the fast-growing and dynamic tourism industry in the Philippines. Officially opened in February 2015, City of Dreams Manila is operated by Melco Resorts Leisure (PHP) Corporation, a subsidiary of Melco Resorts and Entertainment (Philippines) Corporation.

The dynamic and innovative resort complex, located on an approximately 6.2-hectare site at the gateway to Entertainment City, includes the ultimate in entertainment, hotel, retail and dining and lifestyle experiences with aggregated gaming space, including VIP and mass-market gaming facilities with 299 gaming tables, 1,680 slot machines and 207 electronic table games.

The integrated resort features three luxury hotel brands: 2018 Forbes Travel Guide Five Star awardee NÜWA and 2018 Forbes Travel Guide Four Star awardees Nobu and Hyatt, more than 20 impressive restaurants and bars, and distinctive entertainment venues, namely: the family entertainment center DreamPlay, the world's first DreamWorks-themed interactive play space; CenterPlay, a live performance central lounge inside the casino; KTV at City of Dreams Manila, Chaos night club, and the Pangaea Manila, all three situated at the Fortune Egg, an iconic landmark at the Manila Bay area, with its architecturally-unique structure and creative exterior lighting design.

City of Dreams Manila delivers an unparalleled entertainment and hospitality experience to the Philippines and is playing a key role in strengthening the depth and diversity of Manila's leisure, business and tourism offering, enhancing its growing position as one of Asia's premier leisure destinations. It has been developed to specifically meet the needs of the large, rapidly growing and increasingly diverse audience of leisure and entertainment seekers both in the Philippines and those visiting Manila from across the Asia region and around the world.

### **About Melco Resorts and Entertainment (Philippines) Corporation**

Integrated casino developer Melco Resorts and Entertainment (Philippines) Corporation is a company listed on the Philippine Stock Exchange with trading symbol of "MRP". It is a subsidiary of Melco Resorts & Entertainment Limited (NASDAQ:"MLCO"), the developer, owner and operator of casino gaming and entertainment casino resort facilities in Asia. It developed City of Dreams Manila, which is managed and operated by Melco Resorts Leisure (PHP) Corporation.

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