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'Handog ng FASO sa PASKO'

DUE to the success of the Gala Night Performance on May 17, 2009, FASO will have its very own Christmas concert on Sunday, December 6, 5pm at the Pasadena Civic Auditorium. Asian Journal Foundation, Inc. cordially invites you to *Handog ng FASO sa PASKO*.

Loosely translated to "FASO's Gift for Christmas," *Handog ng FASO sa PASKO* will celebrate the joyful spirit of Christmas back home in the Philippines. Christmas is the most anticipated season of the year, and singing carols is a regular tradition practiced in Filipino culture. With its more

than 60 members, FASO will share its gift for Christmas with traditional Holiday songs both in English and Tagalog. The event will also feature renowned soloists and a mixed Filipino chorale group and children's choir.

Handog ng FASO sa PASKO will provide an opportunity to gather the Filipino American community together in celebration of the Christmas season. This event will also mark the initial Holiday concert of the Filipino-American Symphony Orchestra (FASO), the ever-first Filipino symphony orchestra outside of the Philippines.

FASO is committed to increase the appreciation and engagement of richly orchestrated symphony by allowing others to find their Filipino identity through music and the arts.

Because Christmas is a time of thanksgiving, we want to express our gratitude toward your support of FASO. Your commitment to FASO contributes to its longevity and continued success for years to come. Contact (213)250-9797 or email faso@asianjournalinc.com for more information on tickets and sponsorships. We look forward to seeing you on Sunday, December 6. ■



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Piolo, Dingdong still the male leads to beat

MANILA — The local TV-film scene is humming merrily along, and the surge in production activity is providing our top male leads ample opportunities to strut their acting stuff and further boost their popularity. Who's the current king of the hill?

In terms of TV-film clout, Piolo Pascual and Dingdong Dantes are still the front-runners to beat, thanks to their past hits. But if they don't beef up their act, they could soon be sideswiped by some younger upstarts just raring to show them who's the real big cheese on our movie and TV screens.

Piolo aims to prove that he's still got what it takes to top the TV ratings with his new teleserye, "Lovers in Paris." His team-up with relative newcomer KC Con-

cepcion is providing the fresh ingredient to interest viewers, and the series' European setting is another come-on.

Trouble is, depending on how the show is developed, the "KC factor" could also turn out to be a liability, if Piolo finds himself having to "carry" the younger star to success. That's the way it sometimes goes when an established leading man has to help boost the career of a relative newbie.

Of course, KC will do her darn best to make sure that she won't end up as a liability—and, indeed, the new show is being sold as a co-starring vehicle for both leads.

In fact, the way their characters are initially being presented, KC's is the story's more volatile and therefore more interesting character, while Piolo plays it decidedly

older and stuffer.

We expect, of course, that as the two lead characters impinge one and affect each other, Piolo's

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