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A Friendship That Bridges The TV Divide

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MANILA - He's with GMA 7, she's with ABS-CBN. In spite of the raging network war, Ogie Alcasid and Judy Ann Santos have become fast friends and are sharing the screen in the forthcoming Regal movie, *OMG: Oh My Girl*, directed by her best buddy Dante Nico Garcia.

Ogie recalls that the friendship blossomed when he contributed a song he composed, *Ikaw ang Pag-Ibig*, free of charge to her movie *Ploning*.

Judai describes her friendship with Ogie as "precious."

"She's real and sincere," he says of her. "He's one of the rare show biz people I can trust," she says of him.

Last Valentine's Day, Judai surprised Ogie and his girlfriend Regine Velasquez with a four-course meal.

As bonus, Judai's fiancé Ryan Agoncillo acted as official photographer and Dante worked as production designer and food stylist for the dinner held at Regine's Quezon City home.

"That was sweet of her," Ogie says. "You couldn't talk to Judai while she was in the kitchen. She was that involved."

The actress—graduate of a culinary course—whipped up Triolette of Soup served in Shot Glass; Honey Balsamic Salad with Grapes and Shaved Parmesan; Wagyu Beef and Sea Bass. For dessert, they had Lava Cake.

Judai admires Regine's kitchen skills, too—noting what appears to be the singer's high tolerance for pain: "She'd often touch hot food with her bare fingers."

Another talent that Judai finds admirable is Regine's ability to come up with story concepts for movies—like *OMG: Oh My Girl*, where Judai plays a singing superstar and Ogie, her cross-dressing assistant. (The actress had been asking the singer for a movie concept for the longest time.)

Regine's original story idea for Ogie and Judai evolved into *Love is Blind*—which eventually became a still-to-be-shot project for Ogie and Regine. In its stead, Regine offered *OMG* to Ogie and Judai.

Whenever Regine comes up with concepts, Ogie acts as her typist. "She has lots of stories in her head," Ogie says. "She is very imaginative."

Whenever they watch movies, she can guess where the story's headed, he adds. "She focuses on it and chides me because I have short attention span. I tell her: 'Can't we just relax and enjoy the movie?'"



Judy Ann Santos and Ogie Alcasid

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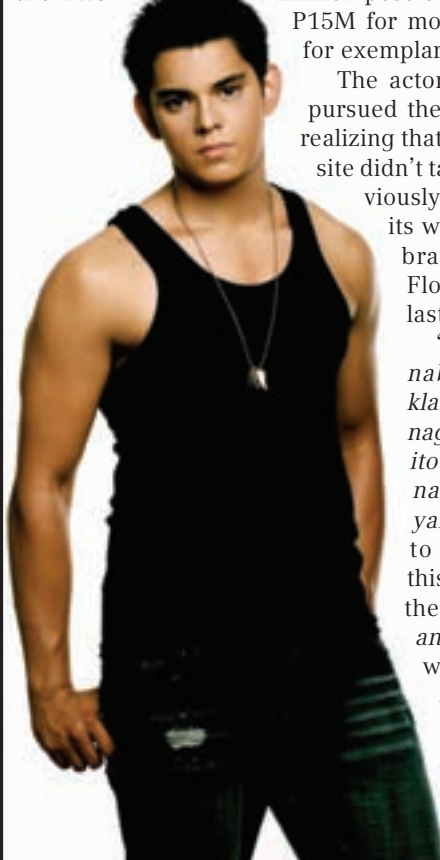
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Richard Gutierrez files a P25M libel suit against PEP

LAST April 13, actor Richard Gutierrez formally filed a P25 million-libel suit at the Makati Regional Trial Court against Philippine Entertainment Portal (PEP). His parents—veteran actor Eddie Gutierrez and Annabelle Rama accompanied him. Atty. T. Angelica Y. Santiago, Richard's legal counsel said that the P25 million peso suit is worth of damages; P15M for moral damages and P10M for exemplary damages.

The actor told the press that he pursued the case against PEP after realizing that the entertainment website didn't take back what it had previously reported. PEP posted in its website Richard's alleged brawl with actor Michael Flores in a birthday party last March 28.

"Maraming artista ang nabibiktima ng ganitong klaseng false journalism at nagkataon lang na nangyari ito sa akin. Nakakalungkot na kinailangan na mangyari ito, pero I just want to get to the bottom of this and we wanna find out the truth kung sinong tao ang nasa likod nito. That's why we're doing this. We already gave them a second chance that's why we are here," Richard told the press. ■



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