

Negrense  
modern <sup>↑</sup> family

JULY 1 – 30, 2023  
MAIN GALLERY, ORANGE PROJECT

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# MODERN NEGRENSE FAMILY

What constitutes a family in today's times? Over the last generation or so, the nuclear unit of the family—father, mother, and their children—has both altered and remained the same, in concept and in composition. While clearly defined by law,<sup>1</sup> society,<sup>2</sup> and the church,<sup>3</sup> the notion of family has arguably changed beginning in the late 20th century, as people in many parts of the world live in unprecedented freedom—in mobility, work, education, lifestyle, ideas and, not least, technological and information access. Particularly for third-world countries such as the Philippines, whose majority population belongs to the lower to middle income categories, the makeup of the core family unit has become vulnerable to these factors, including the state-sponsored valorisation of the Overseas Filipino Worker (OFW) or *bagong bayani* as savior of the economy.<sup>4</sup> As the University of the Philippines Population Institute has declared: “The Filipino family is in transition.”<sup>5</sup>

The exhibit MODERN NEGRENSE FAMILY aims to explore the nuances of the Filipino family's “transitions” by focusing on the specificities of the southern province of Negros Occidental, the sixth most populous in the country. To do this, the exhibit has tapped seventeen local artists to respond to the question: what is the modern Negrense family?

With ages ranging from 20s to 80s, this diverse group of artists represents three generations of Negrense family life, holding up lenses of various strengths and transparencies from which to look critically at the state of families in their communities, without sparing their own. The resulting collection of paintings, sculptures, prints, photographs, mixed media works, and installations present affecting portraits of contemporary local family life, which point to sociological, psychological, and politico-economic issues that need unpacking and further understanding. Abandonment, separation, economic hardship, and pervasiveness of technology are some of the themes that overlap throughout the exhibition.

MODERN NEGRENSE FAMILY is not designed to be comprehensive and definitive in its representation, nor is it meant to be an occasion for artists, as well as viewers, to pass judgment on one another. This exhibition hopes to give voice to a diversity and plurality of perspectives and to engender a conversation that can be beneficial for all.

**Georgina Luisa O. Jocson**  
Curator



<sup>1</sup>Article 149, The Family Code of the Philippines (Executive Order No. 209), 1987

<sup>2</sup><https://psa.gov.ph/content/family-2#:~:text=a%20group%20of%20persons%20usually,by%20blood%20C%20marriage%20or%20adoption.>

<sup>3</sup><https://www.catholicculture.org/culture/library/dictionary/index.cfm?id=33517>

<sup>4</sup>Jean Encinas-Franco, "Overseas Filipino Workers (OFWs) as Heroes: Discursive Origins of the 'Bagong Bayani' in the Era of Labor Export" in *Humanities Diliman*, 12:2 (Diliman, Quezon City, Philippines: University of the Philippines, July - December, 2015), 56-78.

<sup>5</sup><https://www.rappler.com/newsbreak/in-depth/183683-modern-filipino-families-state-protection-welfare/>

# Negrense modern <sup>↑</sup>family

Rafael Paderna  
Rodney Martinez  
Perry Argel  
Angela Silva  
Roedil "Joe" Geraldo  
Revo Yanson  
Neil Benavente  
Darel Javier  
Olive Gloria  
Frelan "Pakz" Gonzaga  
Moreen Austria  
Michael John "Mikiboy" Pama  
Guenivere Decena  
Erika Mayo  
Brandon Braza  
Vincent Sarnate  
Ann Gaurana

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**Si Manang Kong Nanay,  
Si Nanay Kong Tatay**

Revo Yanson

48 x 48 inches  
Acrylic on canvas  
2023

Code: OP2023-MNF-001  
PHP 80,000.00



**Groupie**

Darel Javier

60 x 60 inches  
Oil on canvas  
2023

Code: OP2023-MNF-002  
PHP 240,000.00



**The New Negrenses**

Rodney Martinez

45 x 60 inches  
Mixed media: oil on canvas, salvaged  
capiz windows  
2023

Code: OP2023-MNF-003  
PHP 445,500.00



**The Lovers**

Ann Gaurana

60 x 48 inches  
Acrylic and oil paint on canvas  
2023

Code: OP2023-MNF-004  
PHP 55,000.00



**Time is Greater Than Space**

Olive Gloria

Mixed media textile work using traditional handwoven textile; machine and hand embroidery; basic needleworks; sublimation print; thread; commercial, found and discarded textiles; sample fabrics; buttons; ric rac

74 x 57 inches

abaca rods: approx 60 inches (L)

2023

Code: OP2023-MNF-005

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**[Father] Figures**

Frelan "Pakz" Gonzaga

44 x 68 inches

Oil, Spray Paint on canvas

2023

Code: OP2023-MNF-006

PHP 116,000.00



**Into the Ring of Fire**

Neil Benavente

Oil on canvas

58.5 x 47.5 inches

2023

Code: OP2023-MNF-007

Price available upon request



**COPIA CERTIFICADA DE LA  
RESOLUCIÓN DICTADA EN EL  
JUICIO DE DIVORCIO  
(September 3, 1962)**

Angela Silva

31 x 24 inches  
collage of cyanotypes and digital  
prints, calligraphy paper, thread  
2023

Code: OP2023-MNF-008

NFS



**CIVIL CASE NO. 17671  
DECISION: ANNULMENT  
(March 4, 1974)**

Angela Silva

31 x 24 inches  
collage of cyanotypes and digital  
prints, calligraphy paper, thread  
2023

Code: OP2023-MNF-009

NFS



**CIVIL CASE #21970 FOR  
SUPPORT (September 9, 1975)**

Angela Silva

31 x 24 inches  
collage of cyanotypes and digital  
prints, calligraphy paper, thread  
2023

Code: OP2023-MNF-010

NFS



**Modern Negrense I**

Rafael Paderna

36 x 36 inches  
Acrylic on canvas  
2023

Code: OP2023-MNF-013  
PHP 220,000.00



**Sagrado**

Roedil "Joe" Geraldo

56 x 46 inches  
Relief sculpture: santol wood,  
marine plywood, acrylic paint  
2023

Code: OP2023-MNF-012  
PHP 330,000.00



**Modern Negrense II**

Rafael Paderna

15 x 20 inches  
Brass and electronic parts  
2023

Code: OP2023-MNF-014  
PHP 330,000.00



**The Desire of Love**

Roedil "Joe" Geraldo

52 x 58 inches  
Relief sculpture: santol wood,  
marine plywood, acrylic paint  
2023

Code: OP2023-MNF-011  
PHP 440,000.00





### Balikbayan Box

Vincent Sarnate

21 x 16 x 7.5 inches  
Mixed Media: terra cotta, acrylic, resin  
2023

Code: OP2023-MNF-015  
PHP 22,000.00



### Sardinas

Vincent Sarnate

15 x 8 inches  
Mixed Media: terra cotta, acrylic, resin  
2023

Code: OP2023-MNF-016  
PHP 22,000.00



### Panyam-is

Vincent Sarnate

3.5 x 8 x 6 inches  
Mixed Media: terra cotta, acrylic, resin  
2023

Code: OP2023-MNF-017  
PHP 9,900.00



## The Departure

Erika Mayo

36 x 36 inches  
Oil on canvas  
2023

Code: OP2023-MNF-018

● PHP 50,000.00



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## 1. Outside Looking In

36 x 12 inches  
Oil on canvas  
2023

Code: OP2023-MNF-019

PHP 25,000.00



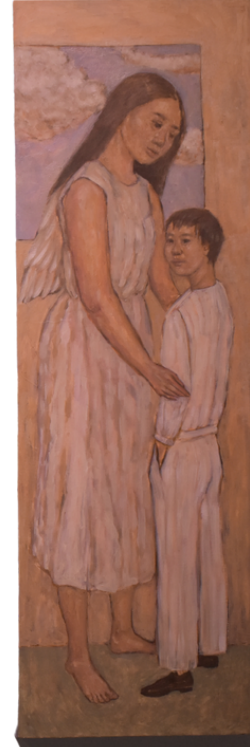
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## 2. Mountain of Clouds

36 x 12 inches  
Oil on canvas  
2023

Code: OP2023-MNF-020

PHP 25,000.00



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## 3. He's Home Safe

36 x 12 inches  
Oil on canvas  
2023

Code: OP2023-MNF-021

PHP 25,000.00



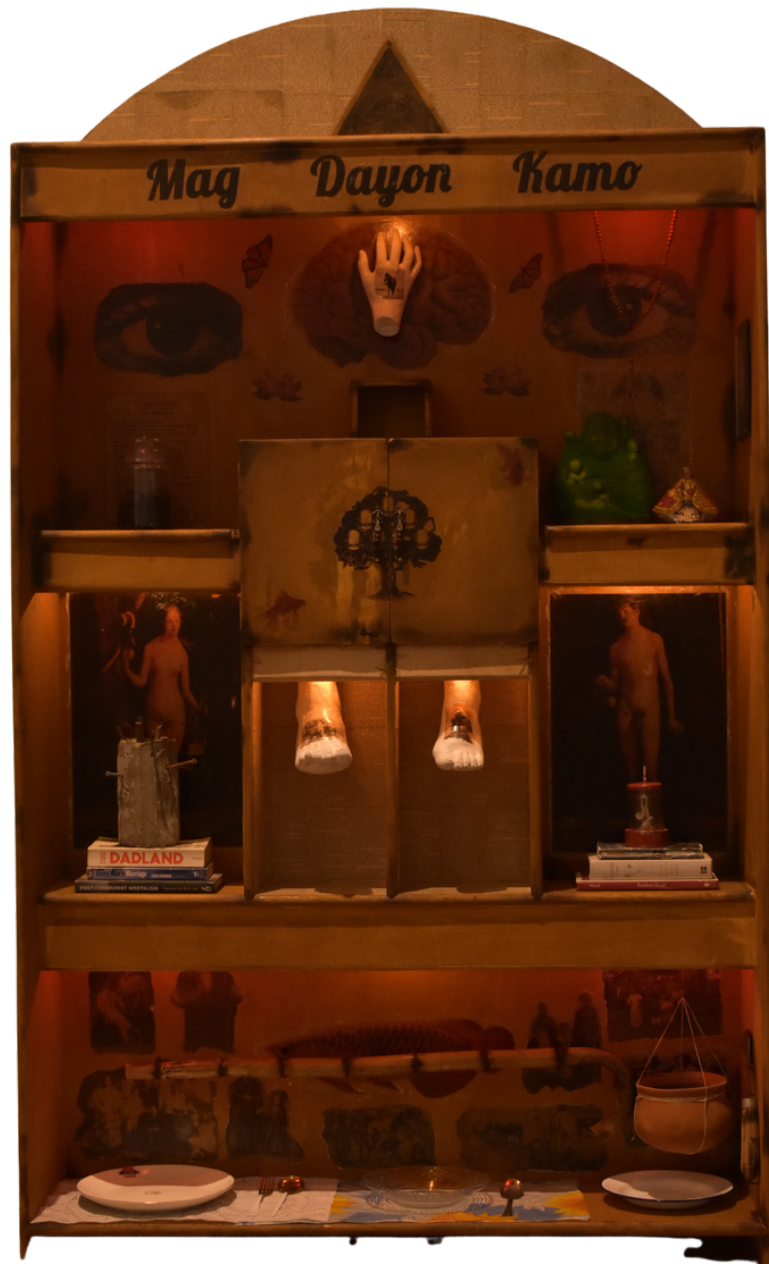
## Look In The Mirror And Say I Love You

Guenivere Decena

36 x 48 inches  
Acrylic on canvas  
2023

Code: OP2023-MNF-022

PHP 149,000.00



**MAG DAYON KAMO**

Mikiboy Pama

48 x 96 inches

Image transfer on layered glass, image transfer on wood, LED lights, light bulb, motion sensor device, polymer glue, found toys, cement, nails, glass jar, eggs, hair, old books, old cane stuck, clay pot, assorted plates, sickle knife ,assemblage and collage on, wooden cabinet

2023

Code: OP2023-MNF-023

PHP 264,000.00



**Home Seek**

Brandon Braza

Variable dimensions

Mixed Media; Interactive Installation  
2023

Code: OP2023-MNF-024

PHP 80,000.00

**Bagahe**

Brandon Braza

Variable dimensions

Mixed Media; Interactive Installation  
2023

Code: OP2023-MNF-025

PHP 80,000.00



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## Frelan "Pakz" Gonzaga

### 1. Familial Portrait: Orange I

Spray paint on paper (200 gsm)  
8.25 x 11.75 inches

2023

Code: OP2023-MNF-026

PHP 6,000.00

### 2. Familial Portrait: Orange II

Spray paint on paper (200 gsm)  
8.25 x 11.75 inches

2023

Code: OP2023-MNF-027

PHP 6,000.00

### 3. Familial Portrait: Orange III

Spray paint on paper (200 gsm)  
8.25 x 11.75 inches

2023

Code: OP2023-MNF-028

PHP 6,000.00

### 4. Familial Portrait: Pink I

Spray paint on paper (200 gsm)  
8.25 x 11.75 inches

2023

Code: OP2023-MNF-029

PHP 6,000.00

### 5. Familial Portrait: Pink II

Spray paint on paper (200 gsm)  
8.25 x 11.75 inches

2023

Code: OP2023-MNF-030

PHP 6,000.00

### 6. Familial Portrait: Pink III

Spray paint on paper (200 gsm)  
8.25 x 11.75 inches

2023

Code: OP2023-MNF-026

PHP 6,000.00

### 7. Familial Portrait: Blue I

Spray paint on paper (200 gsm)  
8.25 x 11.75 inches

2023

Code: OP2023-MNF-027

PHP 6,000.00

### 8. Familial Portrait: Blue II

Spray paint on paper (200 gsm)  
8.25 x 11.75 inches

2023

Code: OP2023-MNF-028

PHP 6,000.00

### 9. Familial Portrait: Blue III

Spray paint on paper (200 gsm)  
8.25 x 11.75 inches

2023

Code: OP2023-MNF-029

PHP 6,000.00



The Non Articulation of Being and In A Family (Elephant Series) Photograph I

8 x 10 inches  
Inkjet print on photo paper  
2023  
Code: OP2023-MNF-031  
PHP 11,000.00



The Non Articulation of Being and In A Family (Elephant Series) Photograph II

8 x 10 inches  
Inkjet print on photo paper  
2023  
Code: OP2023-MNF-032  
PHP 11,000.00

Moreen Austria



The Non Articulation of Being and In A Family (Lion Series) Photograph I

8 x 10 inches  
Inkjet print on photo paper  
2023  
Code: OP2023-MNF-035  
PHP 11,000.00



The Non Articulation of Being and In A Family (Lion Series) Photograph II

8 x 10 inches  
Inkjet print on photo paper  
2023  
Code: OP2023-MNF-036  
PHP 11,000.00



The Non Articulation of Being and In A Family (Elephant Series) Photograph III

8 x 10 inches  
Inkjet print on photo paper  
2023  
Code: OP2023-MNF-033  
PHP 11,000.00



The Non Articulation of Being and In A Family (Elephant Series) Photograph IV

8 x 10 inches  
Inkjet print on photo paper  
2023  
Code: OP2023-MNF-034  
PHP 11,000.00



The Non Articulation of Being and In A Family (Lion Series) Photograph III

8 x 10 inches  
Inkjet print on photo paper  
2023  
Code: OP2023-MNF-037  
PHP 11,000.00



The Non Articulation of Being and In A Family (Lion Series) Photograph IV

8 x 10 inches  
Inkjet print on photo paper  
2023  
Code: OP2023-MNF-038  
PHP 11,000.00



**The Non Articulation of  
Being and In A Family  
(Elephant Series)**

Moreen Austria

10 x 10 x 10 inches  
Plastic, Broken Glass, Resin,  
Granite, Wood  
2023

*Code: OP2023-MNF-039*

PHP 77,000.00

**The Non Articulation of Being  
and In A Family (Lion Series)**

Moreen Austria

8 x 8 x 8 inches  
Plastic, Broken Glass, Resin,  
Granite, Wood  
2023

*Code: OP2023-MNF-040*

PHP 66,000.00



**CONVERSATIONS #UNFINISHED**

Perry Argel

Acrylic on canvas  
135.5 x 59 inches  
Bamboo rod: 73 inches  
2023

*Code: OP2023-MNF-041*

Price available upon request