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# HUMAN LIBRARY

From Conceptualization to Implementation

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# Let's define first

**Bias (Pagkiling / Pagkampi):** Prejudice for or against one thing, person or group compared to another, usually in a way considered to be unfair. (Source: <http://libguides.nyit.edu/c.php?g=666045&p=5615508>) Halimbawa: Napili bilang kalahok sa patimpalak sapagkat siya ay pamangkin ng guro.

**Prejudice (Hindi matwid na opinion):** An unfavorable opinion formed against a person or group based on a stereotype. (Source: <http://remember.org/guide/history-root-stereotypes>) Halimbawa: Hindi naman talaga siya papasa sa board exam, varsity player lang kasi iyon.

**Stereotype (Esteriotipo):** A generalized image of a person or group, which does not acknowledge individual differences and which is often prejudicial to that person or group. (Source: <http://remember.org/guide/history-root-stereotypes>)

Halimbawa: Ang mga Ilokano ay kuripot (negatibo); Filipinos are hospitable (positive)

What is your  
bias/prejudice/stereotype?

- All of us have our own bias, prejudice or stereotypes. What is/are yours?

# What is HL?

“The human library serves as a place where ideas can be explored through an open dialogue. Public and academic libraries offer this kind of program to promote the library space and to create an identity that libraries can be a safe place for human interaction and lifelong learning.” – Yap & Labangon, 2015

“Human Library is an innovative method that leads to the reduction of prejudice, and encourages understanding (Zhai, Zhao & Wang, 2012).” – Yap, Labangon & Cajés, 2017

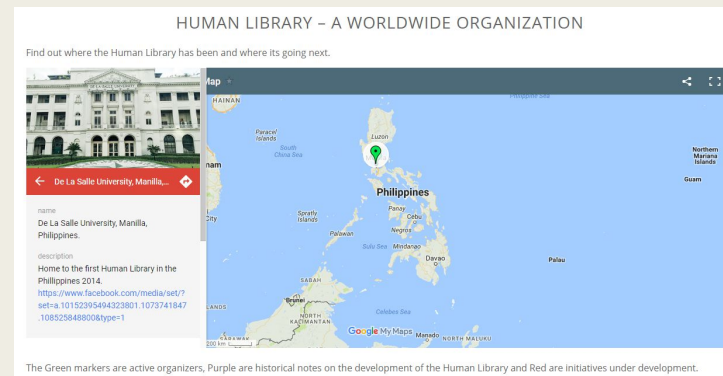
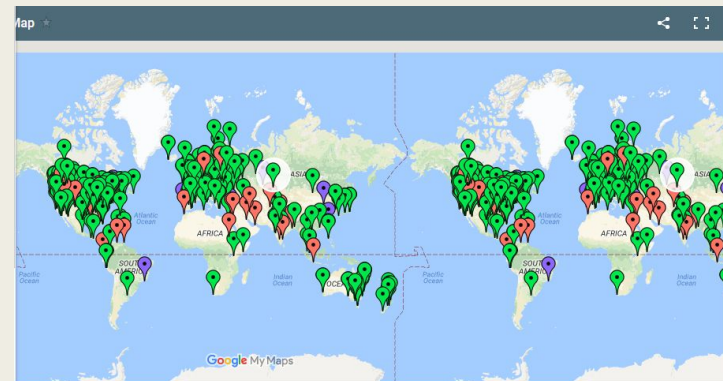
This program promotes social cohesion to address the discrimination in the society (Watson, 2015).

# History of HL

- Started in Copenhagen, Denmark in 2000.
- Project for Roskilde Festival by Ronni Abergel and his brother Dany and colleagues Asma Mouna and Christoffer Erichsen.


# Philippine Experience

- DLSU Manila – August 2014
  - DLS Zobel – November 2016
  - Adamson University – November 2017
  - Jose Rizal University – February 2018
  - UP – Manila – February 2018
- (initiated by the students)




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Friday, August 22, 2014

## The DLSU Libraries launches the first human library in the country



The human books together with some of the Libraries staff

The very first **Human Library** in the **Philippines** was organized by the De La Salle University Libraries and was launched on **August 14, 2014**.

In the opening remarks delivered by **Ms. Ana Maria B. Fresnido**, the Director of the Libraries, she said that the Human Library started in **2000** in **Denmark**, founded by **Mr. Ronni Abergel** and his group; and that it is composed of human or living books who have special talents or life experiences to share, thus serving as primary sources of information and

providing opportunities for real and authentic discussions. She further stated that Human Libraries actually aim to challenge stereotype, stigma, prejudice and discrimination.

Ten volunteers representing different types of prejudices served as living books and were tagged as: (1) *The Unbearable Lightness of Being Me* by **Maria Vanessa Medina** (lightweight); (2) *Pride vs. Prejudice: Making the World More LGBT-Friendly* by **Eric Julian Manalastas** (Gay); (3) *Proud Tibo, Proud Nanay* by **Ma. Luisa Toribio** (Lesbian); (4) *The Tattoo Artist* by **Alfred K. Guevara** (Tattooed); (5) *Heavily Fluffy But Happy* by **Adolf Rey Duquez** (Obese); (6) *Mga Karanasan ng Isang Bading* by **Ron de Vera** (Gay); (7) *Geographies of Gender* by **Mylene De Guzman** (Lesbian); (8) *Let Me Be* by **Ruth Mae Nichole Taduran** (Teenage Mom); (9) *Babaylan* by **Gabriel "Heart" Diño** (Transgender); and (10) *Lola Monching* by **Ramon O. Ramos** (Tattooed).

Readers were also requested to write on the Freedom Wall by making a promise to help fight prejudice.

The event proved to be a success as the readers and the living books themselves both gave

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### Human Library to open in Philippines

Slowly but surely the Human Library is spreading to all the corners of the world. Coming up now is the Philippines, when on August 14th, 2014, the University of La Salle in Manila, will host the very first event in the Philippines. Readers are cordially invited to challenge their stereotypes and prejudices from 9 am.

South Korea, Malaysia, Australia, Thailand, India, Singapore, China, Taiwan and India are some of the other countries in Asia, that have introduced the Human Library in recent years.



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### News – Read on



#### Book of the Month: April

Meet Victor our Christian and Gay book from the Human Library in Romania. He is our book of the month for April and shares his thoughts on readers and facing up to negative stereotypes about the LGBTQ community in Romania.



#### Human Library TV Show Season 2 launched



#### Future social workers are going to read humans

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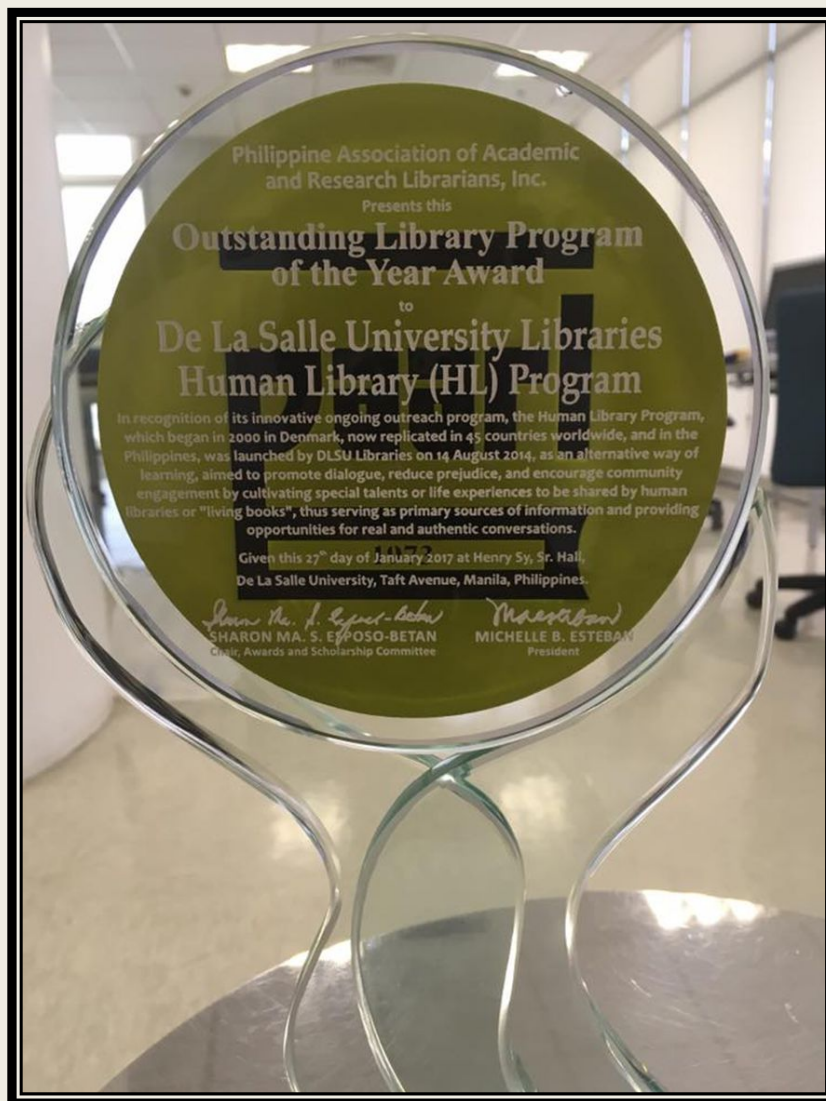
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**Lifetime Achievement Award**

- 2017 - Ms. Arabella M. Ananoria (posthumous)
- 2017 - Dr. Enrique T. Cayaban
- 2017 - Ms. Eva B. Brillio
- 2016 - Mr. Rodolfo Y. Tarit
- 2016 - Mr. Rogelio B. Mallillin
- 2016 - Mrs. Belen B. Angoles
- 2016 - Mrs. Leonor B. Gregorio
- 2016 - Ms. Leonor G. Hernandez-Caima
- 2015 - Atty. Antonio M. Santos (posthumous)
- 2015 - Mrs. Rebecca M. Jacion
- 2014 - Mrs. Belen M. Vibar
- 2013 - Miss Teresita C. Moran
- 2012 - Mrs. Teresita C. Moran
- 2011 - Mrs. Salvacion M. Arriante
- 2010 - Rev. Fr. Paul M. de Vera, OSB
- 2009 - Mrs. Corazon M. Nera
- 2008 - Ms. Lolita P. Gonzales
- 2007 - Ms. Fe Angella M. Yersosa
- 2006 - Mrs. Lorelio M. Sierna
- 2005 - Mrs. Sarah C. de Jesus
- 2004 - Mrs. Erlinda F. Flores
- 2003 - Mrs. Esperanza A. Sta. Cruz
- 2002 - Ms. Marina G. Dayrit

**Outstanding Library Program of the Year**

- 2017 - Ateneo de Manila University's Rizal Library for Si Pepe at ang Rizal Library 50th Anniversary Celebration Program
- 2016 - De La Salle University Libraries' Human Library (HL) Program
- 2016 - Special Citation for UP Diliman Librarians' LibRadio: From the stacks to the airwaves
- 2015 - STARBOOKS of DOST-STII, Taguig City
- 2014 - no award given
- 2013 - Information Literacy for the Dumagats (Lyceum of the Philippines University Library)
- 2012 - SEAFDEC Aquaculture Department Library Institutional Repository (SAIR)
- 2011 - University of the Philippines Diliman Research Made Easy @ Your Library
- 2010 - UP College of Engineering Library's The Learning Commons
- 2009 - American Shell/Corner of the Thomas Jefferson Information Center
- 2008 - Philippine Library Materials Project
- 2008 - HERDIN
- 2007 - Philippine E-Lib
- 2006 - Philippine University (in Cagayan de Oro City) for its ALINET Consortium program
- 2005 - Xavier University's Rizal Library (Microfiling Program)
- 2004 - Ateneo de Manila University's Rizal Library (Microfiling Program)
- 2003 - Summer Institute of Linguistics
- 2002 - Filipinas Heritage Library (Librarylink Project)

**Outstanding Library of the Year**

- 2017 - No award given
- 2016 - Maribel S. Enverga University Libraries (Lucena City)
- 2015 - Luzon- Knowledge and Information Resource Network of Saint Paul University, Tuguegarao City, Cagayan
- 2015 - Visayas- Library and Data Banking Services Section of Southeast Asian Fisheries Development Center, Tigbauan, Iloilo City
- 2015 - Mindanao- Learning and Information Center of University of Mindanao (Davao City)
- 2014 - Lourdes College Learning Commons

# ASEAN Experience

<b>Country</b>	<b>Date of first activity</b>	<b>Organizer</b>
Thailand	May 25, 2010	Rajamangala University of Technology Isan
Singapore	August 7, 2011	Human Library Singapore
Malaysia	May 30, 2013	Impact Hub Kuala Lumpur
Philippines	August 14, 2014	De La Salle University Library
Vietnam	July 30, 2016	Human Library Vietnam

# Kazakhstan Experience

The screenshot displays the Human Library website's interface. At the top left is the 'HUMAN LIBRARY' logo. A navigation menu at the top right includes links for Home, Events, Books, Organizers, News, Corporate, About, and Donate. The main heading reads 'HUMAN LIBRARY – A WORLDWIDE ORGANIZATION'. Below this, a text prompt asks users to find out where the organization has been and where it is going next. The central feature is a Google Maps interface showing a world map with colored pins. A sidebar on the left provides details for the 'Nazarbayev University Library' location, including its name, description (joined in 2016, first event on March 30th, 2016), and contact information (address: Qabanbay Batyr Ave 53, Astana 010000; phone: +7 717 270 6688). A legend at the bottom explains the pin colors: Green for active organizers, Purple for historical notes, and Red for initiatives under development.

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## HUMAN LIBRARY – A WORLDWIDE ORGANIZATION

Find out where the Human Library has been and where its going next.

**Nazarbayev University Library**

name  
Nazarbayev University Library

description  
Joined the Human Library in 2016.  
Hosting first event on March 30th, 2016.

Details from Google Maps  
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The Green markers are active organizers, Purple are historical notes on the development of the Human Library and Red are initiatives under development.

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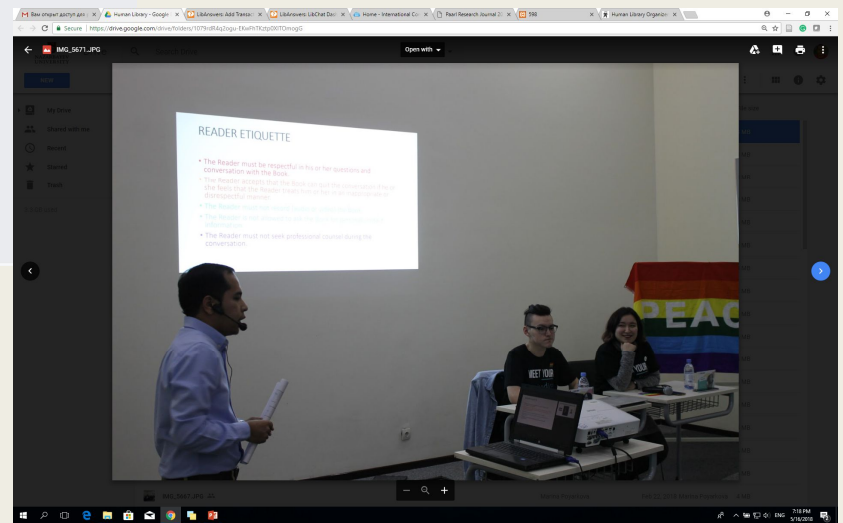
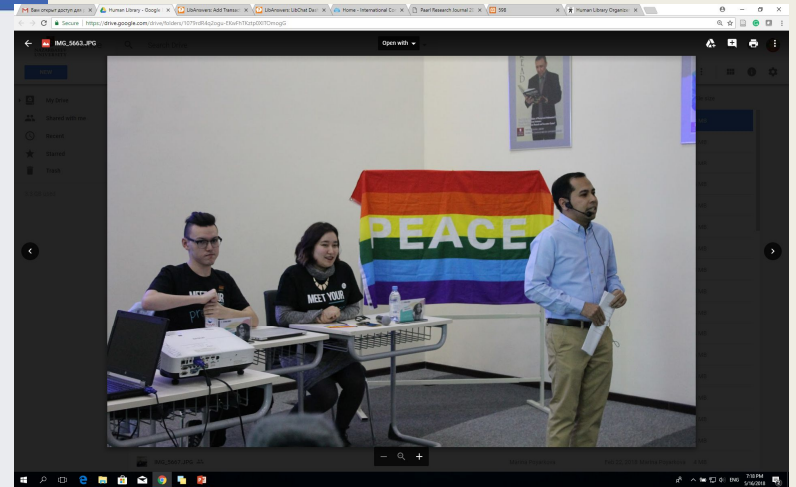
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FEB 24	Human Library i Östersund	Östersunds Bibliotek Östersund, Sweden	Interested
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FEB 24	Živa Biblioteka   Human Library	Kulturni centar GRAD Belgrade, Serbia	Interested
MAR 1	The Human Library hosted by NOVA	Westbank Art London, United Kingdom	Get Tickets Interested
MAR 3	Żywa Biblioteka	Europejskie Centrum Solidar... Gdansk, Poland	Interested
MAR 3	Human Library at Fort Walton Beach Public ...	Fort Walton Beach Public Lib... Fort Walton Beach, FL, Unite...	Interested
MAR 7	Human Library at WCC	Wachtenav Community Col... Ann Arbor	Interested
MAR 7	Human Library at Tecnológico de Monterrey...	ITC - Itg. en Tecnologías Co... Monterrey, Mexico	Interested
MAR 9	Menneskebiblioteket til Fagligt Udsyn for So...	Hotel Cornwell, Rebild Bakker Rebild, Denmark	Interested
MAR 10	Human Library at Ruth Hughes Memorial Di...	Ruth Hughes Memorial Distri... Imlay City, MI, United States	Interested
MAR 10	Human Library at the Read/Write Library	Read/Write Library Chicago	Interested

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# Impact

- “My prejudice towards the subject decreased because I learned the broad cause and effects, advantage and disadvantage of the subject.”
- “Understanding is [the] key to learning.”
- “I learned a lot and I hope that I could help him advocate for breaking the stigma of the LGBT.”
- “Acceptance of oneself and others.”

# Starting your own HL: Requirements

- Project Proposal
- Committee Members
- Budget
- Marketing Plan

# Meet your team

- Brainstorm
- Human Books Invitation / Scouting
- Preparation: Potential HB interview, Waiver, Token, Certificate, Cataloging (or its equivalent)
- Venue
- Security
- Readers / Etiquette
- Promotion, Posters, Advertisements
- Partnerships and Collaboration
- Refreshments







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### **VOLUNTEER AGREEMENT**

I, the undersigned, desire to work as a volunteer human book for the De La Salle University Libraries and engage in their human library activities.

I hereby voluntarily, execute this volunteer waiver under the following terms:

- I acknowledge that this human library event is an innovative method of promoting dialogue, reducing prejudices and encouraging understanding. Hence, I do solemnly swear that I would exercise honesty and integrity in all my words and actions during the entire activity that I am called to participate in.
- I assure that I will be honest in my statements about myself, my abilities, professional certifications, educational degrees, or physical abilities throughout the course of the event, and that all of my statements herein are true.
- I hereby attest that I have the necessary knowledge, experience and skills to be a human book so as to permit the De La Salle University Libraries and its stakeholders to obtain the full benefit of such knowledge, experience and skills.
- I, the Volunteer, understand that I expressly waive any such claim for compensation or liability on the part of the Organization unless the damage or injury is due to the fault of the personnel of the organization.
- In the event that a question being asked may be offensive or make me uncomfortable, I have the right not to entertain such questions. Or if a reader behaves inappropriately, I have the right to inform the organizers immediately.
- I understand that at this event or related activities I may be photographed, thus, I agree to allow my name, photo, video, or film likeness to be used for any legitimate non-commercial purpose by the event holders, producers, sponsors, and/or organizers.

In the event that other institutions will invite me for a related activity of the same

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**Note** "Etta Rosales is a household name for human rights advocates. She is a teacher, activist and a politician who frequented the house of representatives her being the party-list representative of the Akbayan Citizens Action Party for 4 consecutive Congresses (11-14th). Listen to the sound of heartstrings that sound for human rights."

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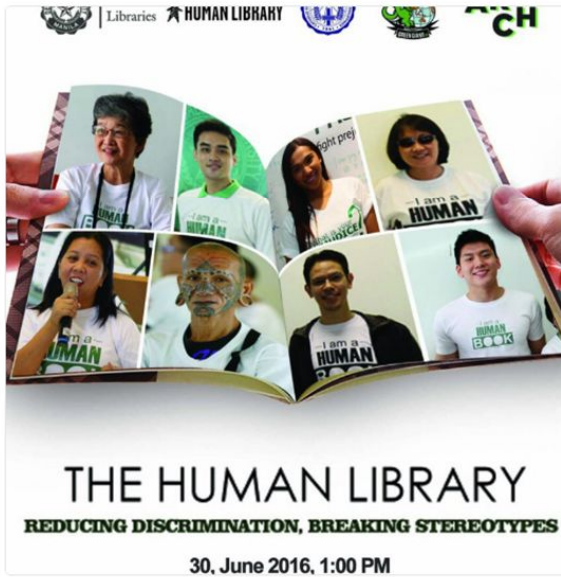
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The 5th Human Library session happening on June 30, 2016, 1-4 PM at The Learning Commons, Henry Sy Sr. Hall!





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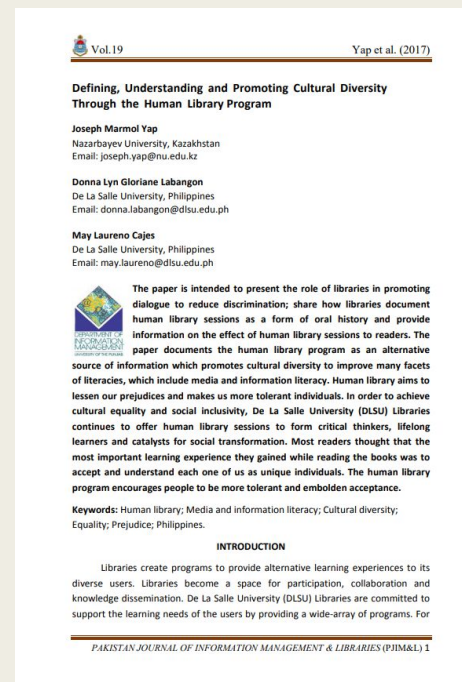
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