

Lahing  
Kayumanggi  
Dance  
Company

Founded  
1994

Promoting Filipino  
culture & heritage  
through dance,  
music & song

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News Release

# Lahing Kayumanggi Paskong Pinoy



LK performs 'Tadek' –  
an Igorot courtship dance.

A little over a year ago, LK held a hugely successful fundraising event, Kasayahan, at St. Andrew's United Reformed Church in Hampstead. On Sunday, 30th November, LK hosted another feast for the senses, Paskong Pinoy, partly to raise funds, but more importantly, to share and showcase the spirit of Christmas, Philippine style.

Arriving guests were treated to light snacks and drinks in the church hall, before they were invited to watch the performance in the grand setting of the church. It is almost always a given that LK's events are elegant, beautifully crafted evenings. Paskong Pinoy did not disappoint. St. Andrew's church was transformed with Christmas lanterns, twinkling lights, myriad flickering candles and a general air of excitement.

True to its reputation as the leading Filipino folk dance company in Europe, LK excelled itself with dazzling new choreography of many of the traditional dances, from the Cordillera in the north to Maranao dances in the south. A lively medley of Christmas songs and customs, as the season is celebrated in the Philippines, was a show-stopper, with the audience clearly joining in the gaiety.

Later on, happy guests tucked into the buffet, catered by Cora Emflorgo. A raffle was held for a Christmas hamper which was won by Goyit's Guest. The event once again proved that spending an evening with LK invariably exudes that feel good factor, despite the harsh climate of credit crunches and cold, wintry nights! Feedback from the audience was unanimous in their praise that Paskong Pinoy was fabulous.

LK members then had a Christmas party with gift exchanges, more food and a surprise celebration for Sylvia Wright's birthday as a Golden Girl. The members felt that Paskong Pinoy demonstrated the strengthening team spirit within LK. Everyone was actively involved, from leading rehearsal, organising costumes, soliciting raffle prizes, decorating the church, and cleaning up after all the guests had gone. LK conveyed the true meaning of Christmas with the giving and sharing, and of spreading peace and joy

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