

Wison Clasara – Historian Personal Statement

Photography has been my passion for many years. I love to take photographs of places, people, and things. This coincides with my passion for FSA and helping spread and document the culture of FSA within the UCSC community. I attended at FSA associated events this year, such as Kasama Cotillion and Isang Himig: Hidden Voices; I documented them and posted them on Facebook for all to see. Also, I am currently involved in Haluan and KAMP for FSA.

Throughout these two aspects, I was able to see how vast the Filipino culture is, whether through singing acapella to dancing traditional to dancing hip-hop. Also, FSA is family to me. I can always find someone in FSA willing to hang out, do homework with, or even communicated my feelings to.

Learning of Historian, I automatically wanted to run for it. It seemed like a job that would help benefit the FSA community, with documenting the performances of each aspects, both video and pictures, and hopefully creating a beautiful, picture filled, FSA scrapbook at the end of the year. This coupled with my passion for photography, would help me keep FSA's history intact, and help preserve the memories that are made.

If elected for this position, I would make sure that I go to most, if not all of FSA's events. I will take pictures and videos of the performances and hopefully interact with the participants. This will help show what FSA has to offer and how FSA spreads the culture of the Philippines. I hope to create a large archive of media, both off-site (external hard drive) and on-site (Facebook, Tumblr, etc.), so that it can be both seen by the public and backed up for further use. I will coordinate with Media Relations, so that pictures would go on the Tumblr, Facebook, the newsletter, and any other online/offline site. I would like to have a photo shoot with all the aspects, showing each and every member, both individually and within their own aspect. My hope is that all these goals would show the true colors of UCSC FSA and display the points outlined in the Mission Statement in a media related manner.

Being a photographer, I am experienced in leading small groups and person(s) in photo shoots. I have experience in directing them and creating a nice composition for the picture. Being a member of Haluan and previous high school FSAs has helped me develop time-management skills in order for me to be retained in school and fully involved in my aspect(s). These skills and experience would help me fully accomplish the job of Historian.