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Whew, the dreaded Hungry Ghost Month, Aug. 3 to Aug. 31, will be over in a few days, the unluckiest time of the year, when spirits from the underworld roam the world of the living, causing very unfortunate things and events. To avoid unnecessary risks, feng shui experts advise people against traveling, going on adventures, launching projects, signing documents, undergoing surgery, and basically everything that is exciting and essential to life. And now that it's almost over, it's (almost) time to party...



WALK TALL

High chunky heels are all over the fall-winter runways like this sandal with straps in maroon patent calfskin from the Hermès Women's Shoe Collection autumn-winter 2016.



KAMPAI!

Until the end of September, guests can choose from Novotel Manila Araneta Center's Gourmet Bar's selection of nibbles and sips curated by the hotel's culinary team. Choose to match the Filipino classic dinakdakan with a selection of classic wines. Each bespoke combination can be enjoyed at P688 nett. For those who want to raise a glass, they can head to The 6th Pool Bar and Lounge for a wide range of free-flowing drinks—from house wines and spirits to local beers and cocktails. Available every Saturday and Sunday night, this promo is for P 1,000 nett per person. www.novotel.com, www.accorhotels.com

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BOOK A TRIP

Enjoy a private island getaway as Huma Island Resort & Spa offers rainy day room packages until Sept. 30. “Goodbye Summer, Hello Rewards” offers resort credits that can be used for spa treatments, dining experiences, or any activity offered at the resort.

Room rates start at P58,999 nett, inclusive of two nights stay in a Water Villa, daily breakfast for two with complimentary resort credits worth P6,000.

www.humaisland.com



REARRANGE THE FURNITURE

The 64th edition of Manila Fame, Asia-Pacific’s second-longest running trade exhibition, will be held in four large venues. The upcoming show, from Oct 20 to 22, will be held at the World Trade Center (WTC) Main Hall and the WTC Tent. The Philippine Trade Training Center (PTTC) will exhibit arts and crafts, and start-up and retail companies, while Hall ONE will be the venue for the Design Week Philippines’ (DWP) Creative Marketplace.



HAVE A WONDERFUL TEA PARTY

Raffles Makati launches “New York State of Mind,” the fourth in its Prêt-a-PorTea series, with the legendary Tiffany & Co. at the Writers Bar. The charming Tiffany-inspired afternoon tea offers a medley of three-tier pastries such as the iconic Tiffany Blue Box caramel cake, macarons, and cupcakes, and a delectable white-chocolate bracelet inspired by Tiffany’s iconic T collection.

The afternoon tea promotion is available from Sept. 1 to Nov. 30, offered from 2:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. daily. 02 795 1840, dining.makati@raffles.com

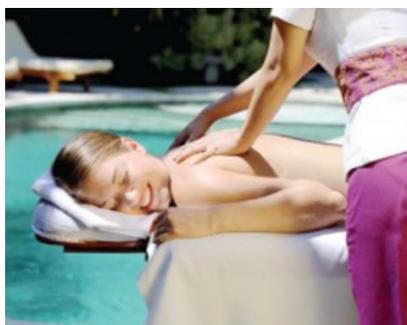


UPDATE YOUR CLOSET

Once considered metrosexual behavior, dressing well has become a firmly established part of mainstream male culture.

And the local scene is fast catching up with this positive trend. It's now cool for young Filipino men to flaunt their tastes in clothes and look as good as the women they're seeing.

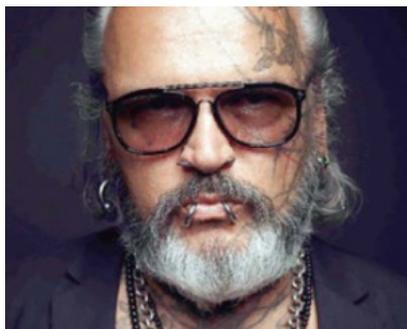
Dockers offers a variety of style choices for men. The brand that introduced khakis and the laid-back California-style 30 years ago currently features various styles for men's pants, whether slim fit, casual/rugged, or corporate/formal.



SMILE MORE

ARC Dental Clinic and Villa Kubu Boutique Hotel & Spa in stunning Seminyak, Indonesia brings the ultimate luxury accommodation and cosmetic dental package: The Hollywood Makeover.

This package includes 20 full porcelain crown/veneer restorations, nine nights accommodation in your own villa, luxury airport and villa to clinic transfers, daily gourmet breakfast, welcome massage, one full day tour, one complimentary dinner, and two choices from the Villa Kubu signature massages. www.arcdentalbali.com, www.villakubu.com



TRY SOMETHING NEW

The infamous doorman of Berlin's pickiest night club will soon be in Manila holding doors open for guests—sort of.

Bouncer and photographer Sven Marquardt will grace the opening of the exhibition entitled "Club Berlin," which features photography and electronic music from the German capital. Presented by the Goethe-Institut Philippinen (German Cultural Center) and supported by #UNKNWNMNL founders who are part of XX XX and Third Culture Music, the exhibition is on view and open to the public until Sept. 23 at the Pineapple Lab in Makati.



THROW A DINNER

Alliance Française de Manille (AFM), in partnership with Centre Intermondes, with the support of the Embassy of France, presents "Take Out the Fine China," a solo art exhibition by Philippine Artist Residency Program 2015 recipient, Eric Zamuco. An Artist Talk and exhibition viewing will take place on Thursday, Aug. 31 at 2:30 p.m. at the Alliance Total Gallery. Exhibition will run until Oct. 21.

Alliance Total Gallery at Alliance Française de Manille, 209 Nicanor Garcia St, Bel-Air II, Makati City, 02 895 7585

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