

PRESS RELEASE

German-Malaysian dance collab to show at the PETA theater

This October, the Goethe-Institut Philippinen and the PETA Theater Center proudly present **Riki von Falken's** *ECHO: It's Just A Temporary Thing*. This moving multimedia dance piece exposes the deep intercultural connection and successful fusion of different dance traditions performed by two dancers having diverse backgrounds. ECHO premiered in Berlin last October 2012 and was highly praised by the critics. It was then performed in different parts of Germany and Malaysia in 2013. Now, for the first time, the Filipino audience will be given the unique opportunity to witness the beautiful contemporary dance performance.

ECHO (It's just a temporary thing) is conceptualized and choreographed by Riki von Falken, a renowned choreographer from Berlin, Germany together with Naim Syarahzad, a student and a member of the ASWARA dance company from Malaysia.

Riki von Falken taught contemporary dance and choreography at Aswara in which she encountered traditional dances such as Malay, Indian, Chinese and Silat tradition. It is in this time that she discovered similarities of her own abstract form of dancing and these traditions. Her stay in Kuala Lumpur made her create a contemporary choreography together with the dancers of Aswara. It is where Riki and Naim Syahrazad, who was one of the Aswara dancers met. In 2012, Riki and Naim met again in Berlin where they deepened and strengthened their exchanged of artistic ideas. They learned from each other and later on combined their own individual dance styles. Thus "Echo. It's just a temporary thing" was produced; a fusion of two different styles and traditions.

ECHO, It's just a temporary thing will be shown on **October 2 and 3, 8pm** at PETA Theater Center. Tickets are PHP 450 for regular audiences and PHP 250 for students. For tickets contact Ticket World at 891-999 or Ticketworld.com.ph or the PETA Theater Center at 725 - 6244 loc 21-23 or 0927-3917379 and look for Jay Tipayan, you may also email us peta.theatercenter@gmail.com.

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