

May, 22-25, 2025

## Ig (Water) Aquatic Ecosystem Dance that Codified Living Tradition of the Philippines

Company: Kinding Sindaw

Venue: La MaMa E.T.C. Community Arts Space

Location: New York, NY

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### ABOUT

Experience the natural beauty of the Philippine archipelago through dance, depicting the ebb and flow of oceans, still lakes, waterfalls, and rivers. Kinding Sindaw immerses participants in the rich ecosystem of these waters, using intricate footwork and body movements to embody traditions from the Meranao, Maguindanao, Tboli, and Taosug peoples. The dances share rituals and stories from the Derangen, Lemlunay, and Kissa epics, reflecting cultural codes tied to the land and water. Accompanied by the kulintang music of Tradition Bearers from Iranun Bai Labi, this 90-minute performance honors the heritage of the southern Philippines and uplifts the stories of these communities.

<https://www.lamama.org/ig-water/>

### CREDITS

Concept/Direction/Tradition Bearer: Potri Ranka Manis

Dance Captains: Diane Camino and Jerome Viloria

Kulintang Musicians: Malaika Queano, Nonilon Queano

Cast: Vivian Chow, Kelsea Suarez, Adam Basco-Mahieddine, Milagros Verendia

Silat Choreography: Guro Frank Ortega

Marketing Director: Vivian Chow

Production Manager: Cheryl Zhang

Production Assistant: Bushra Tasneem

Iranun Tradition Bearers: Bai Labi Fatima Maruhom, Bai Labi Bing Cabayan Bacar, Mohammed Zebede Dimaporo, Nodiah Biruar, Inthesar Mohammed

### BIOS

Potri Ranka Manis is the Founder and Artistic Director of Kinding Sindaw, preserving indigenous Philippine music, dance, and martial arts.

Kinding Sindaw is a non for profit theater and dance theater established in 1992 and based in NYC that presents repertoire from living tradition and intangible cultural heritage of the Mindanao, Southern Philippines through performances, dance, storytelling, kulintang music ensemble and silat martial art. We are Honoring the Indigenous and Sultanate Bangsamoro and those in diaspora. Kinding Sindaw is non for profit, AAPI / BIPOC lead and membership. Founded by Artistic Director Potri Ranka Manis, a Meranao Bai Labi in diaspora in 1992.

<https://www.kindingsindaw.org>

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<https://civitationix.com/42/production/1235727>

Schedule  
May 22, 2025: 7:00pm  
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