

ATENEO DE MANILA UNIVERSITY OFFICE OF THE VICE PRESIDENT FOR MISSION INTEGRATION

University Commemoration of the EDSA People Power Revolution

We commemorate the 39th anniversary of the historic four days of the non-violent EDSA People Power Revolution that ousted the brutal, corrupt, and bankrupt Marcos dictatorship on the 25th of February 1986.

The EDSA uprising in significant ways was a spontaneous mobilization of individuals and groups, many of whom came together as schoolmates, officemates, friends and family members, responding to a personal appeal from Jaime Cardinal Sin over Radio Veritas. But the readiness to give of oneself in the face of guns, tanks, and helicopters, was also underpinned by a longer process of formation and engagement in schools, organizations, communities, and the so-called "parliament of the streets" of the 1970s and 1980s. Such experiences instilled a deep value for human dignity, people empowerment, and the promotion of the common good. For many participants, EDSA was a response to the call of a faith that does justice and inspires generous service. As the late Fr. Catalino Arevalo, SJ has said, EDSA was about "disclosure stories" – stories of people responding to what God and country were asking of them – and in turn moving others to respond.

Almost four decades later, EDSA lives on, not just because the restoration of democracy was a genuine popular achievement, but also because it remains unfinished. The persistence of weak and unresponsive institutions and continuing widespread poverty, injustice, and vulnerability, have fueled deep resentment and an attraction to self-serving and authoritarian political personalities who seem to connect with the people and deliver results. But we will fight against attempts to distort history and delude us. We commemorate the EDSA revolution even as we resolve to build a broader constituency for genuine democratization and public accountability with our people who fervently hope for a better Philippines.

Our theme for EDSA@39 is: Sama-samang Pagtataya, Simula ng Panibagong Pag-asa.

We commemorate EDSA in the spirit of the Jubilee Year 2025 which sees hope as both a gift and a task. Then as now, our country and the world faced abuse of power, violence, injustices, and polarization. But many of our people responded not with despair but with stirring examples of self-giving that created spaces of hope through collective action.

These stories of personal calling, painstaking work, selfless service, and courageous commitment converged in a historic moment when our nation overcame differences and emerged victorious against dictatorship – profoundly witnessing the gift of a saving God who is immersed in our lives and moving in history. This call to shared responsibility, commitment, and faith toward renewed hope in our liberation as a people is as real today as it was in the 1970s-1980s.

In the next several days, we would like to invite all members of the Ateneo community to participate in these commemorative activities and events in the University:



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EDSA@39 Calendar of Events

Ateneo de Manila University

"Sama-samang Pagtataya, Simula ng Panibagong Pag-asa" #AteneoRemembers #BuhayAngPeoplePower

Collective Memory and Reconciliation: Comparative Perspectives on the Philippines' Martial Law Era and East Germany's Transition

European Studies Program, Konrad Adenauer Stiftung Philippines, Ateneo School of Government, and Ateneo Martial Law Museum and Library 12 Feb 2025 | 9:30AM to 11AM | SOM 111 (Ching Tan Room), SOM Building

'Pilipinas, Mahirap Ka Bang Mahalin?'

INTACT Political Education Session #1 on Youth Participation During Elections Mr. Philip Francisco U. Dy (Executive Vice President, Metrobank Foundation) Introduction to Ateneo Culture and Traditions (InTACT) Program – Office of the Vice President for Mission Integration

15 Feb 2025 | 1PM to 2:30PM | Henry Lee Irwin Theater

EDSAma-Sama: Paggunita sa mga Alaala at Aral ng Batas Militar at ng EDSA

PNTKN 135.03i: Mga Panitikan at Pelikula ng Siyudad: Panahon ng Batas Militar Class – Kagawaran ng Filipino

19 Feb 2025 | 5PM to 7PM | NGF Conference Hall, Dela Costa Hall

EDSA People Power Revolution Exhibit

Social Entrepreneurship and Advocacies Committee, Business and Community Development Division of the JGSOM Sanggunian 21 Feb 2025 | SEC Field

Pupil Power: Empowering Filipino Learners through Language and Literacy

Gokongwei Brothers School of Education and Learning Design, and Ateneo Center for English Language Teaching (ACELT)

22 Feb 2025 | 10AM to 12PM | JJ Atencio Lighthouse for New Learning, Areté

Pandayan ng Pag-asa: SLB's 39 Years of Bringing People Back at the Center of Politics

Simbahang Lingkod ng Bayan 22 Feb 2025 | 1:30PM to 5PM | Loyola School of Theology



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Pamana: Mga Kaugaliang Natutunan Mula sa EDSA People Power Exhibit

Office of the Assistant Principal for Formation (AGS) 24-28 Feb | Ateneo Grade School

Mga Panalangin at Mensahe ng Pag-asa Mula sa mga Turo ng EDSA

Araling Panlipunan Department, Ateneo Grade School 24-28 Feb 2025 | 8AM | Ateneo Grade School

Mga Himig ng Pag-asa

Campus Life Section – Office of Student Affairs and Services, Higher Education 24-28 Feb 2025 | Ateneo College Grounds and Online

'MATAtandaan; MATAtagpuan' EDSA Commemorative Exhibit

Matanglawin Ateneo

24-28 Feb 2025 | 8AM to 5PM | Kostka Hall Extension and EDSA Walk Bulletin Board

'EDSA 39: Iba't Ibang Tinig ng EDSA' Commemoration

Ateneo Human Rights Center 24-28 Feb 2025 | Ateneo Law School

Opening Ceremony of Spirit of '86 Commemoration

Office of Student Activities (OSA) – College 24 Feb 2025 | 4PM | Zen Garden (Quad 1) and EDSA Walk

'Balik-Aral, Balikwas, Balota'

EDSA@39 Special Episode of 'Lundagin Mo, Beybeh' Radyo Katipunan and Jesuit Communications 24 Feb 2025 | 6PM to 7PM | Radyo Katipunan 87.9 FM

'Reinventing Resistance: Memoir of an Accidental Activist' by Ed Garcia Book Launch

Office of the Vice President for Mission Integration, Ateneo School of Government, Ateneo Martial Law Museum and Library, and San Anselmo Press 24 Feb 2025 | 2PM to 6PM | San Alberto Hurtado Hall

'EDSA at 39: Ilaw Ng Nakaraan Tungo sa Pag-asa ng Kinabukasan' Candle-Lighting Ceremony

COMM 22: Media Law and Ethics Class – Department of Communication and Ateneo Martial Law Museum and Library 25 Feb | 5PM | Gate 2.5



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Faculty and Staff Reflection on the EDSA Revolution

Ateneo Junior and Senior High School 25 Feb 2025 | 8AM

EDSA 39: Misa ng Sambayanan

Ateneo Human Rights Center 25 Feb 2025 | 12:15 PM | Ateneo Professional Schools (APS) Chapel

UNIVERSITY MASS

25 Feb 2025 | 12:30 PM | Church of the Gesù Main Celebrant and Homilist: Fr. Roberto Exequiel N. Rivera, S.J. *Procession and Recitation of the Rosary will begin at the College Chapel at 12NN https://www.ateneo.edu/events/2025/02/15/university-mass-commemoration-39th-anniversary-edsa

Reframing EDSA: The Enduring Strength of Informal Institutions and the Emergence of the Politics of Resentment

Dr. Leland R. dela Cruz, Assistant Vice President for Social and Environmental Engagement for Development and Sustainability (SEEDS)

25 Feb 2025 | 5PM | Venue: CTC 413

https://www.youtube.com/live/PP4BlgM6VhA

'The Vote is not Individual (Neither is our Politics)'

INTACT Political Education Session #2 on Youth Participation During Elections

Mr. Miguel Karlo L. Abadines (Executive Director, Simbahang Lingkod Bayan) Introduction to Ateneo Culture and Traditions (InTACT) Program – Office of the Vice President for Mission Integration

25 Feb 2025 | 5PM to 6:30PM | Henry Lee Irwin Theater

OPM at EDSA: EDSA@39 Special Episode of Sari-Sari: Panitikan at Kulturang Filipino

Kagawaran ng Filipino, Radyo Katipunan, and Jesuit Communications 25 Feb | 4PM to 5PM | Radyo Katipunan 87.9 FM

Mga Himig Para sa Diyos at Bayan

A Post EDSA Anniversary Episode of #JMMRadio Unplugged Jesuit Music Ministry, Radyo Katipunan, and Jesuit Communications 26 Feb 2025 | 8PM | Radyo Katipunan 87.9 FM

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February 27, 2025
11:45 AM, 12:20 PM, and 1:05 PM| SS-Conf 6, 3/F Social Sciences Building
February 28, 2025
11:40 AM, 12:25 PM, 1:10 PM, 1:55 PM, and 2:40 PM| COMM Studio, 3/F Social Sciences
Building

The Quiet Room

Department of Communication 27-28 Feb 2025 | 12PM to 3PM | Music Room, Social Sciences Building

'Echoes of EDSA: The Church's Role in Keeping EDSA Alive'

EDSA@39 Special Episode of 'Baka Naman Pwede' Institute of Philippine Culture, Radyo Katipunan, and Jesuit Communications 27 Feb 2025 | 2PM to 3PM | Radyo Katipunan 87.9 FM

'EDSA Pa Rin?' Ideation Workshop on Building the Filipino Youth Community of Tomorrow

Office of Student Activities (OSA) – College 27 Feb 2025 | 3PM to 5PM | Venue: TBA

EDSA Picnic sa Zen and Launch of 'Kabataan, Kumilatis Bago Bumoto (KKBB)' Voters' Education Trainers Initiative

Office of Student Activities (OSA) – College 28 Feb 2025 | 5PM | Zen Garden (Quad 1)

Tanglaw Film Festival

Matanglawin Ateneo and ActiveVista 28 Feb 2025 | 5PM to 8PM | Case Study Room, Social Sciences Building

'Masdan, O Yahweh'

Mga Awit ng Bayan Para sa Kalayaan at Kapayapaan

Ateneo College Glee Club, Ateneo ENTABLADO, Department of Fine Arts, and Ateneo Martial Law Museum and Library

14-15 Mar 2025 | 8PM | Church of the Gesù



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The Game Design Process of 'Heritage Hero: The Secrets of the Golden Era' Virtual Reality (VR) Game

Virtual, Augmented and Mixed Reality Laboratory, Ateneo Laboratory for the Learning Sciences, and Ateneo Martial Law Museum and Library 26 Mar 2025 | 1PM to 2PM | F223 (Faura Hall)

