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CULTURAL ASSOCIATION



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Our Inspiration, Our Goals, Our Strategy for Moving Forward
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Our Inspiration

“The *latihan kejiwaan* is first of all the awakening of the human soul according to

the will of God Almighty, and second, it is the awakening of human culture. . .”

— Bapak Mhd. Subuh, London, England, May 23, 1976

More Inspiration

So people in Subud don't just seek spiritual knowledge. We live as normal people and we pursue our respective professions, and at the same time we seek spiritual understanding.



This is why Bapak made the decision to set up a Subud wing called the Subud International Cultural Association, or SICA.

Bapak hoped that through SICA, Subud members who had a TALENT in a particular field would create something truly new or different, something that would touch other people, meaning people who are not in Subud, people outside Subud.

So in this way, through SICA, we can provide proof to people who are not in Subud.

Inspiration & clues for action

“**By creating something for *other people***, you may be able to demonstrate something that, without their being aware of it, may exert a positive influence on people who are not in Subud.

So we hope that **Subud will spread through SICA**— *through activities that other people can see*. This is particularly hoped for from **young members who have a lot of energy** - that they will **generate something new** that will also be a part of SICA's activities.

Of course, *we need to train for this too (in latihan), as not every member can understand yet what SICA is for.*

Well, according to Bapak,
SICA is for activities that grow out of the development of the soul.”

— *Ibu Rahayu, Singapore, March 10, 2002*
Final Translation by Raymond Lee

Our Goals

- Restructure and refocus SICA to inspire and enable engagement, excitement, growth, and ACTION.
- Articulate clear guiding principles and core values for SICA.
- Grow a self-sufficient and self-funded SICA.

Our Strategy

- Provide information, training, networking, and support services to members doing creative/cultural work
- Showcase and celebrate work that grows from the discovery and development of one's real inner talent/s.
- Create opportunities for members to participate in meaningful cultural initiatives and events.
- Build awareness of and support for what Bapak means by "culture" and its critical role in building a tomorrow.

Our Team

We have titles but work as a team.
We invite others to join our team
as needed.

Latifah Taormina, President
Susannah Rosenthal, Vice-President
Rosario Moir, Secretary

Board Members:

Erica Sapir

Maxwell Fraval and Luke Pensenev (Ex
Officio)

Advisors & Liaisons:

Katherine Carré (UN liaison)

Harris Madden (SES liaison)

Kumari Beck (SD liaison)

Sebastian Flynn (Congress Team)

Hassan & Farah Czwiernia (web)



Left to Right: Erica Sapir, Susannah
Rosenthal, Dahlan Foah, Helen Casbolt,
Latifah Taormina, Honora Foah - at a Sushi
place in Atlanta, GA.

Think Tank Leaders/Catalysts

Dahlan & Honora Foah,
Llewellyn Casbolt, Helena Casbolt, David
Anderson, Peter Mobbs
Stefan Freedman.

Others as needed.

More of our Team

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Bapak also said:

"Maksudnya Susila Dharma ialah membetulkan kesalahan2 yang sudah dilakukan, dan maksudnya SICA buat memperbaiki masa depan manusia."

Or

"The purpose or intention of Susila Dharma is to correct the mistakes of the past, whereas the purpose or intention of SICA is to improve the human future."

WE NEED TO DO BOTH!