

QC performers to get base, arts school—Joy B

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QUEZON City Vice Mayor Joy Belmonte on Monday vowed to promote local talents through a performers' base and performing arts school.

Belmonte pledged to give opportunities to the city's student performers to showcase their talents through a database aimed at tracking and scouting every performing arts group that could represent the city to various events in and out of the country.

"To me, the most talented race in the whole world are the Filipino people, but sad to say, we lack the programs to enable them enhance their talents," she said.

"That's why I plan to establish a database of all our school-based performing arts groups because I know, there are heaps of talents waiting to be discovered. We just need to give them the opportunity to showcase it," the vice mayor said.

Belmonte said there are plans to put up a performing arts school where students could learn and enhance their skills in dancing, singing, acting and theater play.

"We also have talked about founding the Quezon City School for the Arts, of course, with the help from the Philippine School for the Arts. We are starting to plan for this project to happen," she said.