

QC, UP Diliman, Pride coalition to mount 'Lov3Laban' festival

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THE Quezon City government, the University of the Philippines Diliman, and the Pride PH Coalition formally signed a memorandum of agreement to co-organize the 2025 edition of “Lov3Laban: Pride PH Festival” as part of this year’s Pride Month celebration.

“For years, QC has stood as a proud ally of the LGBTQIA+ community — not merely in words but through concrete policies and programs that truly champion gender equality. We are happy to host this festival once again as a testament to our support for the community’s fight for equal rights and celebration of their love and identities,” Quezon City Mayor Joy Belmonte said.

“We vow to the rainbow community that the Quezon City Government will continue to advance inclusive initiatives and promote equal opportunities for as long as inequality exists and members of the community continue to face barriers in living freely,” she added.

Under the memorandum, the partners pledged to collaborate on staging a series of events for the festival, dubbed “Lovelaban sa Diliman” on June 28 at UP Diliman. This will feature a Pride Expo, Pride March, Pride Night, and Pride Villages spread across Quezon City to offer safer environments, greater visibility, and more diverse programming.

Belmonte said the partnership underscores the city’s long-standing commitment to inclusivity, noting that this marks the fourth year of collaboration with the Pride PH Coalition.