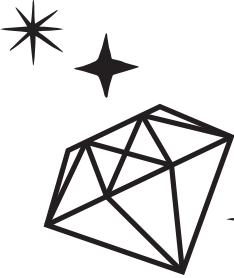




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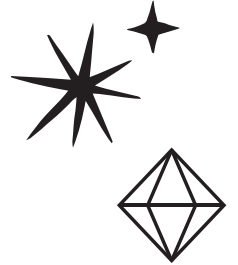


ASIAN & PACIFIC ISLANDER HERITAGE MONTH



Rose Lilith Albano Luzada

(She/Her/Hers)



Rose Lilith was born in the Philippines and immigrated to California as a very young child. Going through her life, surviving abuse in her early teenage years, persevering and navigating the life of an Undocumented Student, she has cultivated a path specific to her aspirations of contributing to the causes of QTPOC + Undocumented empowerment and liberation.

She does this through her roles as a performer, writer, and student leader. Performing as a Drag Queen she sought to not only empower her own self, but also contribute to the larger narratives of queer culture and beauty. The hyper exaggerated manifestation of herself that she presented on the stage became a platform for her to spread her message of the inner beauty and power that exists within us all and even more so became the conduit for her to start piecing together her identity.

As a writer she contributed to various projects such as a poetry collection done by the University of the Philippines College of Arts and Letters and a collection of writing for the American River College Pride Center's Queerantime Project. As a student leader she contributed to the goals of the American River College Pride Center by helping establish their QTPOC Student Group, and establishing a QTPOC Student Delegation Program that included a trip to an annual QTPOC conference held in UC Riverside.

Unfortunately, after years of fighting as Undocumented, a single slip of fate led her to being talked into going to a country that she is not familiar with at all. Even though she is in an entirely different country she continues on working towards her aspirations in helping to heal the years of generational harm that her family has gone through, and most of all establishing herself so that she feels comfortable with herself.

While she does this, she is actively looking for ways to go back to America as a citizen so that she can continue her journey in the place she never understood was home until it was too late. She dreams of living her truth, sleeping under a familiar night sky, and breathing the California air again.

