



## **Okada Manila Hosts Media and KOLs Appreciation Event to Mark Seven Consecutive Years of Forbes 5-Star Excellence**

**March 6, 2026 – Manila, Philippines** – Okada Manila, the Philippines' Forbes 5-Star integrated resort, welcomed leading members of the media and digital creator community for its annual Media and Influencers' Appreciation Night at Sinag, Coral Wing. The gathering recognized the continued partnership between the resort and the storytellers who help spotlight Manila as a vibrant destination for world-class hospitality and entertainment.

Held under the theme "Auspicious Fortune," the evening coincided with Okada Manila's seventh consecutive year as a Forbes 5-Star Integrated Resort and The Retreat Spa's fourth consecutive year as a Forbes 5-Star Spa. The celebration also welcomed the Lunar New Year, bringing together media partners and executives to mark shared milestones and look ahead to new opportunities for tourism and storytelling in the year ahead.

President and COO Nobuki Sato opened the program by thanking media and influencers for their continued support in sharing Okada Manila's story with a wider audience. He noted that the resort's sustained Forbes recognition reflects a culture of consistency, discipline, and service excellence that continues to define the brand.

Joining the celebration were key members of Okada Manila's leadership team, including Ms. Shirley Tam, Executive Vice President of Casino Marketing; Ms. Reddy Leong, Vice President of Corporate Marketing and Communications; Mr. Andreas Balla, Vice President of Food and Beverage; Mr. Robert Scott, Vice President of Hotel Operations; and Mr. Alvaro Ramos, Assistant Vice President of Retail Operations.

During the evening, Mr. Robert Scott, Vice President of Hotel Operations, shared an update on Okada Manila's ongoing room enhancement program, a strategic initiative aimed at further elevating the guest experience while sustaining the standards behind its Forbes 5-Star recognition. Several floors have already been refreshed with refined interiors, warmer tones, upgraded lighting, and enhanced in-room features designed to create a more comfortable and contemporary stay. The improvements also introduce intuitive technology and operational upgrades that support efficiency and sustainability, reinforcing Okada Manila's commitment to continually refining the guest journey.

The celebration continued with a traditional Lo Hei prosperity toss led by the resort's executives, symbolizing abundance and shared success for the year ahead. Guests also enjoyed dinner, live entertainment, and interactive activities throughout the evening, along with raffle draws featuring dining experiences, spa treatments, and overnight stays at the resort.

More than a festive gathering, the appreciation night reaffirmed Okada Manila's commitment to working closely with media and key opinion leaders to promote Manila as a dynamic tourism and lifestyle destination. By sharing milestones, experiences, and new developments with its partners, the integrated resort continues to contribute to the city's growing profile as a hub for hospitality, entertainment, and world-class experiences.

Stay updated on Okada Manila's latest events, milestones, and offerings. Visit <https://okadamanila.com/> or follow Okada Manila on social media.

## **ABOUT OKADA MANILA**

Okada Manila, a Forbes 5-star destination for seven consecutive years in the Philippines and a Forbes VERIFIED Responsible Hospitality integrated resort, seamlessly blends unmatched hospitality, gaming, and entertainment across 30 breathtaking hectares. Known for its unique service philosophy, Okada Manila combines the warmth of Filipino hospitality with the precision of Japanese excellence, ensuring every guest feels truly special.

Guests can marvel at The Fountain, a world-renowned water choreography masterpiece, or enjoy the expansive gaming floor—the largest in the Philippines—featuring a wide array of table games and electronic gaming machines. Exclusive clubs like Perlas, Maharlika, and the VIP Club offer elite gaming experiences for discerning guests.

For families, PLAY Kids' Club and Thrillscape provide exciting and engaging entertainment options designed to cater to both developmental and recreational needs. The Sole Retreat and the Forbes 5-star-rated The Retreat Spa offer sanctuaries promoting wellness and relaxation. Culinary delights await at over 40 dining venues, and a variety of shopping options at The Promenade ensure convenience and a premium experience at your fingertips.

Business travelers will find state-of-the-art facilities for meetings, incentives, conferences, and exhibitions (MICE), offering well-appointed spaces equipped with the latest technology. Cove Manila serves as an exclusive venue for private events, providing a stunning backdrop for special occasions under a UV-protected dome. The Okada Manila Entertainment Group (OMEG) brings world-class performances to life, enriching the vibrant entertainment landscape.

Guests can stay in one of 1,001 accommodations, each designed for comfort and sophistication. Digital innovations, including the Okada Online Casino and the Okada Manila App, make it easier than ever to enjoy the integrated resort's offerings.

Unforgettable moments await at Okada Manila. Visit [www.okadamanila.com](http://www.okadamanila.com) to explore.

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