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The Pulang Maleta Collective presents

BAGGAGE

A series of plays about what we carry and how we carry it

Written and Performed by Reese Baguio, Aura Carcueva,
Vincent Galvez, Darrel Gamotin and Christine Mangosing

Directed by Karen Ancheta and Marie Beath Badian

Also Starring: Leon Aureus, Rose Cortez, Alex Felipe, Elizabeth Lofranco,
Jessica Leibgott, Caroline Mangosing, Andea Mapili, Regina Simon and Michelle Turingan

It's been weighed, tagged, lost and most importantly claimed. *Baggage* engages with cultural shame to discuss how what one carries affects a dutiful daughter's struggle for independence, influences a young girl's choices in love, changes pillow talk between a man and a woman more clothed than they realize, makes it impossible to just wipe the slate clean and threatens to leave a newly realized lesbian gasping for breath.

Baggage by the Pulang Maleta Collective began as a series of workshop plays hammered out in the basement of the Kapisanan Philippine Centre for Arts and Culture for the second annual Flipside Festival. Participating in Fringe's Bring Your Own Venue Program, the collective mounts *Baggage* at 167 Augusta Av. in Kensington Market where it all began.

The Pulang Maleta Collective checks *Baggage* at the TORONTO FRINGE FESTIVAL from Wednesday July 2, 2008 until Sunday July 13, 2008. Tickets are \$10. Call the Fringe Hotline at 416.966.1062 to purchase advance tickets. Performances are weeknights at 8pm and weekends at 2:30pm.

Performance Times:

Wed, July 2 8:00 pm | Thu, July 3 8:00 pm | Fri, July 4 8:00 pm | Sat, July 5 2:30 pm | Sun, July 6 2:30 pm |
Tue, July 8 8:00 pm | Wed, July 9 8:00 pm | Thu, July 10 8:00 pm | Fri, July 11 8:00 pm |
Sat, July 12 2:30 pm | Sun, July 13 2:30 pm

For more details: <http://www.baggagetheplay.com>.

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