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The opening reception for *The Forgotten Americans* exhibit was held on Thursday, October 5, 2017 at Pearl S. Buck International. Entrepreneur, Philanthropist, and Activist Loida N. Lewis; United States Congressman Brian Fitzpatrick; Pearl S. Buck International President Janet L. Mintzer; Pearl S. Buck International Chairman of the Board David Ballai; Photographer Enrico Dungca; and other dignitaries attended the invitation-only event.

The Forgotten Americans, featuring the work of Enrico Dungca, will run until December 15, 2017 at the Exhibit Gallery of Pearl S. Buck International in Hilltown, PA. Through his moving photographic portraits, Mr. Dungca highlights the plight of Amerasian children born in the Philippines to United States servicemen and Filipino mothers. These children have desperately sought acceptance in their home country and legal recognition by the United States government, so far without success.

Pearl S. Buck International has provided humanitarian aid to Amerasian children since 1965 and continues that work today. The recording artist apl.de.ap of The Black Eyed Peas was one of many impoverished Amerasian children in the Philippines sponsored through Pearl S. Buck International. Apl.de.ap now provides college scholarships to Filipino children through the Pearl S. Buck Foundation - Philippines.

For more information about *The Forgotten Americans* exhibit, please go to www.pearlsbuck.org/exhibits. For more information about Enrico Dungca, please go to <http://resourcemagonline.com/2015/08/enrico-dungcas-the-amerAsian-photography-project-the-forgotten-americans/56657/>



Pictured from left to right are Photographer Enrico Dungca with Entrepreneur, Philanthropist and Activist Loida N. Lewis at the opening reception for *The Forgotten Americans* exhibit at Pearl S. Buck International on Thursday, October 5, 2017



Pictured from left to right are Entrepreneur, Philanthropist, and Activist Loida N. Lewis with Photographer Enrico Dungca, Pearl S. Buck International President & CEO Janet L. Mintzer, and Pearl S. Buck International Chairman of the Board David Ballai at the opening reception for *The Forgotten Americans* exhibit at Pearl S. Buck International on Thursday, October 5, 2017

Pearl S. Buck International® provides opportunities to explore and appreciate other cultures, builds better lives for children around the globe and promotes the legacy of our founder by preserving and interpreting her National Historic Landmark Home.

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