

Embrace the Painting Speeches

21st century create a new sense of masterpiece skillfully drawn by artists of different sorts of style. This new masterpiece not just creates a blooming sensation to the flower of our minds, but also provides warmth and enlightens our hearts with speech, the rising generation of Spoken Word Poetry.

Unknown to many, Spoken Word Poetry existed over the years, but was only highlighted in the 21st century. Millennials transformed this artwork into something more attractive, more significant and more touching to the listeners as it gives emphasis to the meaning and the emotion of the poet as he presents his piece.

This effective style of narration is gradually rising in the current generation especially when it comes to love and affection. Like colors splashing through the words that cut like knives and stab through every listener's hearts, it chained into the feeling everyone is relatable to. It became a top trend style of literary piece in the 21st century.

With the rise of technology, this form of art creates a significant change in the history of literature. Poets often spread their hues over Social Media to promote awareness and to make it attractive and powerful in the eyes of millennials. With technology, this form of literature brings back the poetry of the past with the colors of the present to create perfect shades that everyone can appreciate.

Spoken Word Poetry does not pick specific people to perform, or a specific location to deliver. It is open for everyone to use and express their pigmented emotions through words that define their hearts. Consider this jeepney driver that went viral over the internet as he performs a "balak", a form of spoken word poetry in the Philippine native country, as a style of entertaining his passengers during the trip. Victor Villegas' words were delicately picked and became a stress relief to his passengers as it provides bountiful meanings that outshine and enlighten his passenger's view towards life and success. This is living evidence that Filipinos are rich in this trend of literary vibrancy.

In the locality, high institutions slowly adapt this modern type of literary innovation. In fact, Cor Jesu College held different scholastic competitions that involve Spoken Word Poetry where poets show their talents towards create interpretation of their own poems. Allan Joey Omboy, a Grade 12 student from CJC and also the 2nd Placer in the Spoken Word Poetry during the Culmination of Buwan ng Wika 2017 and also the Grand Champion in the Spoken Word Competition during the National Book Week Celebration 2017 share his experience and the joy spoken poetry brought to him.

"As a poet, this new source of literary piece does not only hone my talent but also help me bring my words to life. With spoken word poetry, this talent within me can make me express who I am. It is like a collision of minds, where you think creatively in making a poem, with hearts where you can give and let the audience see what emotion you wanted to perceive, and with your talent that can shine who you are," he stated. He also highlighted that the risen literary piece made him strong and hopefully can also give colors to other people, students and individuals to bring their colorful abilities into limelight.

With its colorful palette, the millennia started to revive a form of literary work that made a new sense of style and give way towards embracing the new generation. Different literary pieces were made and poets rise up with confidence again as their pieces were brought back to life with a new touch of luster. Last August 2017, Words Anonymous established an event full of colorful language and beauty of poetry with their "Tambuli: Isang Pagdiriwang ng Wikang Pambansa" held at Roots Katipunan, Quezon City. Various poets unite and shower their powerful words to show expression and sing their hearts out with the poems they deliver that made a memorable place in each listener's hearts.

Truly, Spoken Word Poetry is becoming a rising literary skill amidst media in the 21st century. Not only that it enhanced the colors of the existing palette of Filipino culture, but it also emphasized the tone of every poet and individual towards creating an Obra Maestra, reviving and making a medium of expression in the millennia. Let the millennials embrace the scent and beauty of this spectrum, this sparkling vibrancy through Spoken Word Poetry, the generations' painting speeches of masterpiece.