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Transnational Filipino America: Anti-Marcos and Today

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ABOUT THE LECTURE:

Last year marked the fortieth anniversary of the declaration of Martial Law in the Philippines, making this a timely moment for reflection on issues related to calls for social change in the Philippines from Filipino America. As Filipino American anti-Marcos organization members recall, Martial Law was the first time that diverse sections of the community pulled together around a “higher purpose” for the Philippines. This presentation gives preliminary commentary on upcoming future research, highlighting turns in orientations toward the Philippine homeland from the 1970s until today and considering larger reverberations in the production of Filipino American diasporic subjectivities. Mariano argues that transnational calls for communal efforts toward the betterment of the Philippines has shifted from anti-Marcos politics and organizing to philanthropic and social development efforts. It contextualizes some of Mariano’s research questions on the implications of this homeland re-orientation.

ABOUT THE SPEAKER:

L. Joyce Mariano earned both of her advanced degrees from the University of Minnesota, graduating with a B.A. in Sociology in 2000 and a Ph.D. in American Studies in 2011. Prior to her position as Assistant Professor of American Studies at UH-Mānoa, she held a Chancellor’s Postdoctoral Fellowship in Asian American Studies at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, where she began work on her book manuscript, “*Charity Begins at Home*”: *Filipino Diaspora and the Politics of Giving*. In addition to core American Studies undergraduate and graduate courses, she teaches courses on Filipino American experience and Asian American cultural politics.

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