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Dalisai lets events unfold slowly, flesh out their characters, keep a close eye on them - and only slowly filling in the details of Soldedad. She had worked in Hong Kong before, but returned suddenly; she never disclosed who the father of her child was, nor what happened in Hong Kong (something that meant she had to travel under a different name the next time she went abroad). Only at the very end of its time - and the obvious end - in Saudi Arabia is described. Complex character, a lot also weighed on her. Her years abroad have been devoted to supporting Rory and then her son, and trying to secure a family life back in the Philippines; The terrible cause of her victim also ended up being revealed. Walter and Rory's journey is a bit of an odyssey, as they face everything from bureaucracy to bathroom cubicles that won't block properly. It is in these small details that Dalisai succeeds, creating two compelling characters (and, in the end, in Soleda, respectively, a darker third). There's more than just back and forth on their trip, too, as both literally lose their families along the way again - Walter loses track of his mother and sister, and the incident with their van leaving Soledad to relive (so to speak) her seeming fate. What seems like a rather far-fetched turn of events also allows for a more hopeful end to Dalisai as Soledad turns dark and elusive to the last; really, we should not forget that the novel is called Sister Soledada, and that it is, indeed, the story of Rory more than Soledad. Dalisai rarely forces any of the questions in Sister Soledad, and does not insist on neat and absolute resolutions. There is a lot of personal uncertainty, with Walter unsure of where many of his family members and many of the secrets left around Soledad (at least for those who knew her; some secrets revealed to the reader) and there is tragedy as well - there are several deaths (and, eloquently, clouds of all of them). However, there is also some sense of hope and even justice - but just the right dash of it, Dalisay is careful not to promise or offer too much. A good introduction to a wonderful writer, Sister Soledad is often a subtle and artfully crafted novel. You could say that it's a great attitude to the subject, but where it excels is not to treat some topic or force the issue, but focusing mainly on the lives of the affected and conveying is much easier in this way. - M.A.Orthofer, 2 August 2012 - Return to the top of the page - Links: Sister Soledada: Reviews: Other books by Jose Dalisai in review: Killing Time in a Warm Place Other books of interest in the review: See. Southeast Asian Literature Index - Return to the top of the page - About the author: Leading Philippine writer Jose J. Dalisai Jr. was born in 1954. - Return to the top of the page - © 2012 full review of Home In The World, the New ealand Best Rest Index to review Links Soledad's Sister is the second novel by Filipino writer Jose Dalisai (first being Time of Murder in a Warm Place, 1992). It was recognized as one of five novels shortlisted for the first Asian Literary Award in 2007. Roman's summary begins on a cloudy August evening when the coffin with the corpse of the man identified as Aurora V. Cabahug arrives at Nina Aquino International Airport in Jeddah. Mysteriously identified by Jeddah authorities as having died from drowning, she is one of 700 Filipino overseas workers who return as corpses to NAIA each year. The corpse, however, is not the real Aurora Kabahog, but her older sister Soledad. The real Aurora Kabahog, called Rory, has never really stepped outside the small town of Paez and is a singer in Flame Tree, a KTV nightclub frequented by police officers, the city's vice mayor and Koreans. Rory learns about the death of his sister, and she claims that the body with the help of a local policeman, Walter G. zamora. Along the way, their car along with the coffin hijacked the famous carnapper, known as Boy Alambre. Eventually, Soledad's coffin was discovered by a boy, Alambra. He pushes the coffin into a muddy river, but in the ironic twist of fate, the thief is taken with him and drowns with the corpse. Soledad remains faceless, as and when she returned home. In a series of memoirs and stories, we learn the stories in the lives of each of the main characters. Their secrets are not fully unraveled however, left in the past or events that have not yet been told. The characters of Soledad V. Kabahog - Soli. First she works in Hong Kong and returns pregnant. The second time she borrows the identity of her sister, worked in Jeddah and returns dead. Aurora V. Kabahog as Rory. The younger sister of Soly, who dreams of becoming a famous singer. She works at the KTV nightclub. Flame Tree SPO2 Walter G. zamora - Jomar, better known as the boy Alambre for his carnapping skills. He steals the FX used to transport Salt's body. and unknowingly steals Salt's corpse with him. Tennyson Ip as Tendy. Vice Mayor Paez, who frequents the Flame. He is Rory's client and helps her find the means to claim her sister's body. Merry's mother - owner of Flame Tree Chester and Nancy Lau - employers of Salt in Hong Kong Hedison Lau - son of employers Salt in Hong Kong and father of the only son of Soli Ubi Ry - mother Chester Lau Meenakshi - Indian maid, who becomes a companion of Salt in Jeddah. She disappears with Soli, but her body is never found. Loulwa - Arab princess and Soli's employer in Jeddah Fouad and Amina - Loulwa and Khaled children Prince Khaled - design engineer and husband of Lulwa Yusuf - servant Khaled Nathan - illegitimate son of Salt from a teenage boy Francine - another singer in the flame tree Nickides Panganiban - Nick. The pianist from Cafe Sonata, who gives Rory informal music lessons to Mrs. Kabahog - Rory and Soli's mother. She stands up for Rory over her older sister and dies in the fire along with her husband and Ditoy's son Mr. Cabahug - Rory and Soli's father Al Videma - NAIA guard Ditoy - Rory and Soli's brother Noemi - a young girl involved in the case handled by Walter. She becomes Walter's mistress and the reason for his separation from his wife Bessie - the wife of Walter Paolo - the son of Walter Cosme - the dead brother of Jormar, who appears in the fantasy of Jomar as a ghost with his father. Roman's social significance comes at a time when Filipinos and survivors of emigration, whether personal or through the exodus of their family members, may relate to. Footnotes and Archive copy. Archive from the original 2009-01-06. Extracted 2008-09-02.CS1 maint: archived copy as a title (link) - Archive copy. Archive from the original 2008-09-01. Received 2008-09-02.CS1 maint: archived copy as headline (link) - Soledada's sister Jose Dalisai. Anvil Publishing. An archival copy. Archive from the original 2010-05-16. Extracted 2008-09-02.CS1 maint: archived copy as a title (link). Dalisai sources, Jose. Sister Soledada. Pasig: Anvil Publishing, 2008. Lakuesta, Sergeant. Sister Soledada, a brilliant new novel by Jose Dalisai. Philippine daily customer. July 11, 2008. Soledada's sister, Jose I. Dalisai. Anvil Publishing. The 2007 Man of Asia Literary Award is shortlisted. October 25, 2007. Received from soledad's sister pdf free download

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