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## **SONOMA COUNTY FAIR DEDICATES HALL OF FLOWERS TO ROMEO “JR” ABUEG**

SANTA ROSA, CA – June 21, 2018– The Sonoma County Fair Board of Directors and staff are honored to dedicate this year's Hall of Flowers to Romeo “JR” Abueg. JR began his association with the Sonoma County Fair Flower Show in the late 1980's when he began participating as an Amateur Garden Exhibitor. From there JR transitioned to working part-time as a seasonal employee, eventually becoming the Building Supervisor for the Hall of Flowers and finally the Supervisor for all the Still Exhibit buildings.

Through it all, JR states “it has been my great pleasure to watch this Fair grow year after year.”

Though there were many things JR found rewarding about his work at the Fair, he enjoyed being able to provide as much physical and emotional support as possible to the Junior and Adult Exhibitors. He loves seeing the big smiles on their faces as they crafted their garden designs. “I am always sure to let the Exhibitors know that they were the back bone of the Fair, and it would not possibly happen without them,” says JR.

During his time at the Fair, JR was mentored by Sheila Quince. He referred to her as his “hero” giving him the opportunity to demonstrate his skills and to share them with both exhibitors and his team members. “I am truly honored to receive this dedication for the Hall of Flowers – Salute to Heroes 2018,” says JR.

JR's dedication and positive attitude is noticed and admired by all around him. The Sonoma County Fair Board and staff are honored to thank him for his years of service and dedicate the 2018 Hall of Flowers to Romeo “JR” Abueg in recognition for his longstanding commitment to the Fair and its exhibitors.



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Join in a "Salute to Heroes" at this summer's Sonoma County Fair from August 2 to August 12! In addition to tributes to the many heroes of Sonoma County, visitors to the Fair will find all the makings for a fun-filled family outing. A floral tribute to the beauty of Sonoma County, free entertainment and tasty fair foods are just the beginning. From the exhibit buildings filled with your neighbors' works of art to the livestock in the barns; from the cheering horse race fans to the screams of excitement in the carnival, the Fair has something for everyone. For details, visit [SonomaCountyFair.com](http://SonomaCountyFair.com) or call (707) 545-4200. Like us on Facebook, and follow us on Instagram and Twitter to keep up with the fun. See you at the Fair!

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