**Personal Profile**

**Nelson “Jet” Mariano II**

International Chess Grandmaster

ACA Chief Coach

Philippines’ 5th Grandmaster and the last Asian Junior Chess Champion from the Philippines since 1994.

Prominent Chess Coach-over 22 years of chess coaching experience. GM Nelson has been coaching in Singapore for last 10 years, He is often known by his students as GM Jet.

The President of the Philippines, Honourable Fidel V. Ramos honoured GM Nelson for his outstanding performances in the Asian Junior and World Juniors Chess Championship in August 1994 placing equal 3rd, held in Matinhos, Brazil, the highest place attained ever by a Filipino chess players until today.

“Talent is insufficient. Hard work and discipline is that which will set you apart from the rest.”—GM Jet

Represented Philippines National Team:

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| **2007** | **Asian Zonal Championships – Qualifying for the world Championship** **(2nd place) in Phu Quoc, Vietnam** |
| **2005** | **SEA Games (SILVER) in Manila, Philippines** |
| **2002** | **Chess Olympiad in Bled, Slovenia** |
| **1995** | **Asian Team Championship (Champion)in Singapore** |
| **1994** | **Asian Junior Championship (Champion)in Shah Alam, Malaysia** |
| **1994** | **World Junior Championship (tied for3rd) in Brazil** |
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**Awards& Recognitions:**

2014 Awarded the Highest National Trainer Achievement - Class 1 by the Singapore Chess Federation

2007 Voted Chess Player of the month by Chess Journalist Association of the Philippines (CJAP)

2007 Awarded the Distinguished Achievement Award by the University of the East (This award was given out to the top 9 sports personalities in the School’s 60 years of history)

2006 Awarded sponsorship by the National Chess Federation of the Philippines to compete in Europe (Spain, France, Italy)

2004 Awarded the title International Grandmaster (GM) by the World Chess Federation, Highest title a chess player can achieve.

2004 Voted and Awarded Chess Player of the Year by Philippines Sportswriters Association (PSA)

1994 Honoured by President of the Republic of the Philippines Fidel V Ramos at Malacañang Palace, Manila

1994 Awarded the title International Master (IM)

1994 to 1996 Endorser of Glutaphos vitamins – product of Sycip, Salazar Laboraties (first chess player to promote brain vitamins)

1990 Awarded National Master title at the age of 15 (Youngest player to be awarded this title at that time)

**Achievements:**

2010 Champion in Merdeka Malaysia Chess Team Rapid Championship

(Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia)

2007 2nd place in the Asian Zonal Championships – Qualifying for the world Championship (Best Filipino performance) (Phu Quoc, Vietnam)

2005 Silver medal in SEA Games (Tagaytay, Philippines)

2004 Bangkok GM Circuit Earned 3rd and final GM Norm, Champion and awarded GM Title (Bangkok, Thailand)

2004 Earned 2nd GM Norm, Dubai Open Chess Championship (Dubai, UAE)

2003-2005 3x Champion Merdeka Team Rapid Championship (Kuala Lumpur, Philippines)

2003 Champion in Bangkok Open Blitz Chess Championship (Bangkok, Thailand)

2003 3rd place in Asian Cities Chess Championship (Tagaytay, Philippines)

2002 Member of the Philippines National team Chess Olympiad (Bled, Slovenia)

2002 2nd place Philippine National Chess Championship (Makati, Philippines)

2001 Champion Merdeka Blitz Chess Championship (Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia)

2000 3rd place Malaysia Chess Open Championship (Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia)

2000 Champion Philippine Society Blitz Chess Championship (Quezon City, Philippines)

1997 Under 25 World Chess Championship, 5th place (Buenos Aires, Argentina)

1996 2nd place Under 25 World Chess Championship (Sao Paolo, Brazil)

1995 GM Circuit Singapore Pool, earned 1st GM Norm (Singapore)

1995 3rd place New York Chess Open Blitz Championship (New York, USA)

1995 2nd place Las Vegas Standard Chess Championship (Las Vegas, USA)

1995 2nd place Las Vegas Blitz Chess Championship (Las Vegas, USA)

1995 Champion Asian Chess Team Championship (Singapore)

1995 Rank No.2 in Men’s National Chess Team (Philippines)

1990-1995 Rank No.1 Juniors U-20 Division (Philippines)

1995 Rank No.2 Juniors Division U-20 (USA)

1994 Equal 3rd place World Junior Chess Championship (Highest place ever attained by a Filipino chess player to date) (Matinhos, Brazil)

1994 Champion Philippine National Open Championship (Cebu, Philippines)

1994 Champion Asian Junior Chess Championship (Shah Alam,Malaysia)

1993 and 1994 Back to Back Champion – Philippine National Junior Championship

(Manila, Philippines)

1993 Champion Shell Active Rapid Junior Chess Championship (Makati, Philippines)

1993 3rd place Asian Junior Chess Championship (Doha, Qatar)

1992 Champion International Open Chess Championship (PICC Manila, Philippines)

1991 2nd place Philippine National Rapid Chess Championship (San Juan, Philippines)

1987 3rd place Asian Juniors U-16 Chess Championship (Manila, Philippines)

 (Youngest Participant at age 12)

1987 Champion Philippines National Kiddies Chess Championship (Manila, Philippines)

1986 Champion Non-Master Chess Championship (Makati, Philippines)

1986 Champion Philippines National Kiddies Chess Championship (Manila, Philippines)

1985 Champion Non-Master Chess Championship (Makati, Philippines)

1985 Champion 1800 rating and Below Championship (Makati, Philippines)