



MEET THE ARTISAN
Eddie Casinay, capiz artisan
The Philippines

“We want to express our gratitude to all who support us and buy our capiz products”

Eddie and his wife Teresa work in a fair trade capiz workshop. Teresa works as a shaper of metal frames while Eddie conceptualizes new designs to be presented to buyers. With the fair income they’ve made through their work with capiz, they were able to send their daughter to college – she is now in her second year. Their daughter is their “happiness and hope” and they are so grateful for the opportunity to send her to school. Eddie also appreciates the safe working conditions and family-like atmosphere of the fair trade workshop, which is unlike other capiz workshops in the area. The owner, Mr. Teofilo looks after his workers and assists them with financial advances when needed; also he provides food during the lean season of production.