



IVAN LAM WAI HOE (B.1975)

Through a relentless preoccupation with experimentation and undertaking challenges, Ivan Lam has sought to reinvent the tradition of painting. Frequently monumental in size, his works demonstrate a mastery of techniques and materials. His trademark use of resin both imbues his paintings with a technical ingenuity and transforms the narrative tone of the work – adding hyper-reality to the natural, distance to the familiar, pragmatism to pathos. Other dualities and dichotomies abound within his paintings and conceptual works, both harmoniously and in tension, underpinning his enquiries on popular culture, current affairs, art history and autobiography. His practice has recently taken on a more conceptual bias, raising questions around authorship, the role of the artist and the very nature of art itself.

Throughout his career, Ivan Lam has been recognized for his achievements and has been collected by reputed institutions in Malaysia, Europe and the USA. He was the first and only Malaysian artist selected to present a one-man project at Art Basel Hong Kong's inaugural fair in 2013, and the only Malaysian artist to have been commissioned by Louis Vuitton for their collection in 2014. In 2017, he presented a performance work, *'Curating Human Experiences: Human Experience 66:06:06'* in Kuala Lumpur, and was the only artist from Malaysia invited to create a project for the Karachi Biennale 2017.

Ivan Lam was one of four Malaysian artists to represent Malaysia at the country's first ever National Pavilion at the 58th International Art Exhibition - La Biennale di Venezia in 2019. The work presented, *One Inch* (2019) explores dualities and dichotomies which sit both harmoniously and in tension in Lam's work, beguiling the viewer to discover the multiple meanings within.



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EDUCATION

- 2006 University of East London, UK, MA in International Contemporary Art and Design Practice (Final Semester, Graduating Jan 2007)
Professors: Hedley Roberts, Dr. Daniela Leva
- 1998 Maine College of Art, Bachelor of Fine Arts, Painting (Full Honours)
Professors: Johnnie Ross, Honor Mack, Peter Sucheki, George Larou
- 1994 Lim Kok Wing Institute of Technology, Graphic Design Certificate

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- 2019 FAUX, Wei-Ling Contemporary, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
- 2018 Hymen, Wei-Ling Contemporary, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
- 2017 Curating Human Experiences 66:06:06, Wei-Ling Contemporary, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
You said you'll never leave, Karachi Biennale 2017, Narayan Jagannath Vaidya, Karachi, Pakistan
Vanity Project X, Wei-Ling Contemporary, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
For those who don't believe, no proof is possible. 56/200, Art Stage Singapore 2017, Southeast Asia Forum - Net Present Value: Art, Capital, Futures, Marina Bay Sands Exhibition Centre, Singapore
- 2016 Cutting the lines that bind, Wei-Ling Contemporary, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
VOLTA NEW YORK 2016, The Pier 90, New York, USA
- 2014 IVAN LAM: TWENTY, Wei-Ling Contemporary, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
- 2013 Day Zero Night Hero, Wei-Ling Contemporary, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
Art Basel Hong Kong 2013, Hong Kong Convention Centre, Hong Kong
- 2012 MACHINES, Wei-Ling Contemporary, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
- 2011 Together Alone, Wei-Ling Contemporary, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
Art Stage Singapore 2011, Marina Bay Sands Exhibition Centre, Singapore
- 2009 Panorama, Wei-Ling Gallery, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
- 2007 Ivan Lam: After all these years....Wei-Ling Gallery, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
- 2004 Plosive, Taksu Gallery, Singapore
- 2004 Plosive, Taksu Gallery, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
- 2002 911, Taksu Gallery, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
- 1998 Ins and Outs, Crank, Portland, ME, USA
MECA Senior Thesis Show, Institute of Contemporary Art, Portland ME, USA
Exit Removals, Artworks Gallery, Portland ME, USA



SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2019 Holding Up a Mirror, Malaysia Pavilion, Palazzo Malipiero, 58th International Art Exhibition of La Biennale di Venezia
- 2018 Teh Tarik with The Flag, curated by Wei-Ling Gallery, in association with The National Visual Arts Gallery, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
Seen, Wei-Ling Contemporary, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
- 2017 18@8 RIGHT HERE! RIGHT NOW!, Wei-Ling Contemporary, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
- 2016 The Past Is Never Where You Think You Left It, curated by Gowri Balasegaran, Wei-Ling Contemporary, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
Art Stage Singapore 2016, Marina Bay Sands, Singapore
- 2015 The Space Between, curated by Anurendra Jegadeva & Rahel Joseph, Wei-Ling Contemporary, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
- 2014 The PEAK Group Show- HO MIA, Wei-Ling Contemporary, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
- 2013 18@8 Mirror, Mirror on the wall, Wei-Ling Contemporary, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
- 2012 18@8 KUL-SIN, ION Art, Singapore
18@8 KUL-SIN, Wei-Ling Contemporary, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
Timeless, Group Exhibition, Wei-Ling Contemporary, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
Directional Forces, Artoll, Bedburg-hau, Germany
- 2011 18@8 Save The Planet, Wei-Ling Contemporary, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
- 2008 18@8 Vice and Virtue, Wei-Ling Gallery, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
Christie's SEA Art Auction, Hong Kong
CIGE (China International Gallery Exposition) China World Trade Center, Beijing, China
Force of Nature, Pace, Petaling Jaya, Malaysia
- 2007 Filtered, Wei-Ling Gallery, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
The Force of Nature, Darling Muse Gallery, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
- 2006 Larasati Art Auction, Singapore
"18@8", KUALA LUMPUR-KARACHI, AMIN GULGEE GALLERY, KARACHI, PAKISTAN (in collaboration with Wei-Ling Gallery)
Au Naturel, Darling Muse Gallery, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
3 Young Contemporaries (1997-2006), Valentine Willie Art Gallery, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
Nasi Campur 2006, Taksu Gallery, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
- 2005 "18@8", Wei-Ling Gallery, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
Identifying Landscape, Darling Muse Gallery, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
- 2004 Philip Morris Asean Art Awards 2004, National Art Gallery, Bangkok, Thailand
10th Anniversary, Taksu Gallery, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia



- Footsteps, National Art Gallery, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
ArtFair Singapore, Singapore
2003 Taksu Singapore Opening, Singapore
Taksu Jakarta Opening, Jakarta, Indonesia
2002 ArtFair Singapore, Singapore
2000 <1000, Valentine Willie Art Gallery, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
Transformations, Sculpture Square, Singapore
Untitled, Galeri Shah Alam, Selangor, Malaysia
Arus: Flow (Australia-Malaysia Electronic Art, Joint Show), National Art Gallery, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
1999 Philip Morris 99, National Art Gallery, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
Aku: 99 Portret Diri, Galeri Petronas, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
1998 Sequence 11, Timed Based Art, Imaging Center, Portland, Maine, USA
1997 Maine Art Auction, Selected for Live Auction, Portland, Maine, USA
Artworks, Portland ME, USA

AWARDS

- 2006 Group Exhibit, Sovereign Art Prize (Top 10 Finalists), Hong Kong
2003 Group Exhibit (Grand Prize Winner), Philip Morris 2003, National Art Gallery, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
2001 Group Exhibit (Honourable Mention), Phillip Morris 2001, National Art Gallery, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
1999 One person Exhibit, Bright Sight Night Lights, Galeriwan, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
1996 Merit Scholarship Exhibit, 1st Place, MECA, Portland, ME, USA

SELECTED COLLECTIONS

Artoll, Germany
Catlin Re Collection, Switzerland
Crank Design Consultant, Maine, USA
Galeri Petronas, Malaysia
HSBC, Malaysia
Louis Vuitton
Merrill Lynch, Maine, USA
National Art Gallery, Malaysia
The Aliya & Farouk Khan Collection, Malaysia
Private Collectors