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**VINCENT LIEW**

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## **SELECTED CURATORIAL WORK**

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Cultural Exchange Exhibition between Japan International Photographic Federation (JIPF) and The Photographic Society of Singapore (PSS).

Co-Curated the member's exhibition at the Kuala Lumpur Photo Festival for members of The Photographic Society of Singapore (PSS).

10th Jeonju International Photo Festival (Korea)

'Regardless of Race' Photo Exhibition for the National Poetry Festival (Singapore)

### **Next Curation work :**

Pingyao International Photography Festival 2017 (China)

## **PROFILE**

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Vincent Liew started photography in 1988 and after a few years he went on to study oil painting. In the following years, he combined his learning and knowledge of the two mediums in his works. His works primarily centred on the subsistence of, people or nature, within their environment and he had never been able to fully express his surrealist creations until the onset of the digital age.

Vincent was awarded a Master of Arts scholarship by the prestigious Nanyang Technological University to study Photography. He lectured regularly on photography and had conducted several public workshops. He is one of the few photography educators that had taught Photography as a subject at IGCSE standard (O-level equivalent) in Singapore and his students had achieved outstanding results including scoring distinctions. He is also mentoring arts undergrads from the LaSalle College of the Arts and was one of the key mentors for the Art Photography Mentorship & Exhibition program (APME); a program that was aimed at discovering and training talented photographers on a national level. The APME is supported the National Arts Council, National Youth Council and the National Library.

Vincent officially joined the Photographic Society of Singapore (PSS) in 1990, even though he had been volunteering since 1988. Since then, he had held several significant leadership positions in PSS, including as Curator of the Loke Wan Tho Gallery, and is currently holding the role of Honorary Secretary and an ex-officio Member of the Board. He also undertook a secondary role as the Director of Alliance & Partnerships and had spearheaded many educational programs, community engagement programs, fund-raising events, and projects involving the development of relations and cultural exchanges with other international photography institutions. Vincent has a special interest in promoting the works of local photographers overseas.



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## **SELECTED TALKS & WORKSHOPS**

Documentary Photography and Its Influence on Society – at the Tanjong Pagar Railway Station Open House.

Marketing for Artists, Art Photography Mentorship & Exhibition Program – in conjunction with the LaSalle College of the Arts.  
Pathways to Photographic Achievements – in conjunction with the Singapore Journal of Photography.

## **INTERVIEWS**

Interviewed by radio station 95.8FM on photography as a lifestyle.

Interviewed by the People's Association of Singapore with which I talked about the role and responsibilities of photography in engaging the community.

Vincent is the current International Exhibition Chairman (Nature Division) and a Star Ratings Director of the Photographic Society of America as well as the Global Photographic Union's Country Representative for Singapore. He is also a member of the Development Committee for The Photographic Society of America and The Photographic Society of Singapore; to chart the future direction of these art societies. Vincent is an international photography competition adjudicator, a photography educator, a curator and a strong advocate in developing photography arts and culture through alliance and partnerships with domestic organizations and across the globe. In addition, he has a special interest in providing consultancy to the development of arts groups and societies on top of his passion in writing photography-related essays.

## **SELECTED AWARDS**

Vincent Liew's major award was a *scholarship offered by Nanyang Technological University to study Master of Arts in Photography*. He has more than 150 works exhibited in 40 countries and just in 2015, he won 3 Royal Photographic Society Gold Medals, 3 Photographic Society of America Gold Medals, 1 Gold Medal from International Association of Art Photographers, 3 other Gold Medals, Silver and Bronze Medals from the International Federation of Photographic Artists (FIAP is an UNESCO member), Global Photographic Union etc. Altogether, in just 2015, he won more than 30 International Medals and 35 Honorable Mentions. He also won an Honorable Mention medal from the prestigious Japan Asahi Shimbun Press International Photography Competition where there is only a probability of 0.49 percent for an oversea participant to be awarded a medal. Below are highlights of some of the international awards he had won:

38th Greater Lynn International Exhibition (USA)

**Gold Award of Exhibition**

View Point Photo International (Macedonia)

**Gold Award – International Association of Art Photographers**

International Union of Photographers Exhibition (Hong Kong)

**Gold Award**

Mississippi Valley International Exhibition (USA)

**Gold Award – Photographic Society of America**

Simonida Kosovo Photo Festival (Kosovo)

**Gold Award**



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## **AFFILIATION & HONORS**

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Honorary Fellow of The Photographic Society of Singapore, **Hon.FPSS**  
Honorary Fellow of the Photographic Society of New Jersey, **Hon.FPSNJ**  
Honorary Fellow of the Bangladesh Photographic Society, **Hon.FBPS**  
Honorary Fellow of the United Photographers of Hong Kong, **Hon.FUPHK**  
Honorary Member of World of Photography Group, **Hon.WPG (Saudi Arabia)**  
Honorary Member of the Pascal English & Greek Schools Photo Club, **Hon.PESGSPC (Cyprus)**  
Honorary Associate of the Sunrise Photography Association, **Hon.ASPA (USA)**  
Fellow of the Photographic Society of New York, **FPSNY**  
Silver Portfolio Distinction title holder of the Photographic Society of America, **SPSA**  
Galaxy Level Exhibitor of the Photographic Society of America, **PSA Galaxy Exhibitor**  
Excellence level of the Photographic Society of America, **EPSA**  
Excellence, Artist of the International Federation of Photographic Art, **EFIAP (Europe)**  
Crown 3 Level Exhibitor of the Global Photographic Union, **GPU-**

Varna International (Bulgaria)  
**Gold Medal – Royal Photographic Society**  
STROM International Exhibition (Slovakia)  
**Gold Medal – Royal Photographic Society**

Cattaro Photographic Exhibition (Montenegro)  
**Gold Medal of Exhibition**  
Gran Tour Delle Colline (Italy)  
**Silver Medal – Global Photographic Union**  
Cyprus International (Cyprus)  
**Silver Medal – International Federation of Photographic Art (FIAP)**  
Finland Photographic Circuit (Finland)  
**Silver Medal – International Federation of Photographic Art (FIAP)**  
F2 Cities Photo Salon (Argentina)  
**Silver Medal of Exhibition**  
9th International Photography Exhibition (Turkey)  
**Bronze Medal – International Federation of Photographic Art (FIAP)**  
107th Scottish Photographic Salon (UK)  
**Bronze Medal – Royal Society**  
73rd Asahi Shimbun International (Japan)  
**Honourable Mention Award**

## **SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS**

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7th Exhibition of Photographic Art (Romania)  
38th Greater Lynn International Exhibition (USA)  
73rd Asahi Shimbun International Photography Exhibition (Japan)  
9th International Photography Exhibition (Turkey)  
107th Scottish Photographic Salon Exhibition (UK)  
Cattaro Photographic Exhibition (Montenegro)  
Japan-Singapore Cultural Exchange Exhibition, Kyoto International Community Hall (Japan)  
Cyprus International Photography Exhibition (Cyprus)  
F2 Cities Photo Salon Exhibition (Argentina)  
Fotoferia International Photo Exhibition (Poland)  
Gran Tour Delle Colline (Italy)  
International Union of Photographers Exhibition (Hong Kong)  
Mississippi Valley International Exhibition (USA)  
Simonida Kosovo Photo Festival (Kosovo)



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**CR3 (Europe)**

Master Exhibitor of the  
Photographic Society of  
Penang, **MEPSP**

Bronze Level Exhibitor of the  
Photographic Society of  
Singapore, **BEPSS**

Honorary Secretary & Board  
Member of the Photographic  
Society of Singapore

International Exhibition Chairman  
of the Photographic Society of  
America – ND

Star Ratings Director of the  
Photographic Society of America –  
ND

Singapore Representative to the  
Global Photographic Union

STROM International Exhibition (Slovakia)

Varna International (Bulgaria)

View Point Photo International (Macedonia)

Sengkang Public Library (Singapore)

Ngee Ann Photographic Exhibition (Singapore)



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