

VISUAL ARTIST, SINGAPORE

## Isabella Teng

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### PROFILE

Isabella Teng Yen Lin is an artist working in the areas of painting, drawing, and installation. Her projects aim to transform everyday spaces into imaginative realms, where multiple perceptual possibilities exist. Her works examine the nature of perception through the intersection of line, space, text and illusion, and explore how perceptual shifts may be made possible through humour in art.

### PRESENT INVOLVEMENTS

#### VISUAL ARTIST, SINGAPORE – 2009-PRESENT

Isabella's work has been shown at Art Stage Singapore, Esplanade Theatres by the Bay, OCBC Art Space, and The Private Museum (SG), among other public and private institutions. Isabella was recently selected as the Singapore nominated artist for the KONNECT ASEAN Contemporary Print Show "Arise", held at the ASEAN Culture House in Busan, ROK. [www.isabellateng.com](http://www.isabellateng.com).

#### CO-FOUNDER OF MIRROR ART DUO, SINGAPORE – 2017-PRESENT

Isabella co-founded MIRROR Art Duo with artist Pierre Pourville (FR) to discover what making an "evolutionary art" might mean. The duo commit to an intuition-led practice, resulting in collaborative paintings. [www.mirrorartduo.com](http://www.mirrorartduo.com).

#### ADJUNCT ART EDUCATOR, 2019 - PRESENT

Raffles Institution (Junior College): CCA instructor for Raffles Art Club (2021-present);  
Artgrain Studio: Art educator teaching youths a rigorous studio curriculum steeped in the western academic art forms of drawing and painting (2019-present).

### EDUCATION

**LASALLE College of the Arts** – Masters of Art in Fine Art, 2021-2022.

**Yale University, U.S.A.** – Full Scholarship Recipient, Visiting International Students' Programme, 2011-2012.

**National University of Singapore** – B.A. (Hons) in English Literature, University Scholars Programme, 2009-2014.

**Raffles Junior College** - H2 and H3 Art, Kripalani Arts Award Recipient, 2007-2008.

## LIST OF EXHIBITIONS & SHOWS:

- 2022** **Exhibition: “Winston Oh Travelogue: Ephemera”**, *\*upcoming*  
Earl Lu Gallery, ICAS, LASALLE College of the Arts, Singapore.  
opens 17 September
- Exhibition: “Tropical Lab 2022: Emergency”**, *\*ongoing*  
Praxis Space, ICAS, LASALLE College of the Arts, Singapore.  
4 August - 3 September 2022
- Exhibition: “THE LASALLE SHOW 2022”**,  
ICAS, LASALLE College of the Arts, Singapore.  
11 November - 13 February 2022
- Exhibition: “Faraway Nearby”** (graduation show)  
Praxis Space and BJM Gallery, ICAS, LASALLE College of the Arts, SG.  
23 April - 4 May 2022
- 2021** **Exhibition: “KONNECT ASEAN Contemporary Print Show: Arise”**,  
ASEAN Culture House, Busan, Republic of Korea.  
11 November - 13 February 2022
- Exhibition: “The day has been long”** work-in-progress exhibition,  
Praxis and Project Space, ICAS, LASALLE College of the Arts, Singapore.  
13 November - 18 December
- Symposium: “The Politics and Poesis of Practice”**, MA Fine Arts  
Postgraduate Symposium, LASALLE College of the Arts, Singapore  
7 October
- Exhibition: “3+3+3: On Condition”**, The Private Museum, Singapore.  
24 June - 08 August
- Performance: “An Ode to Incompetence”**, digitally broadcast in Trafo  
Centre For Contemporary Art, Szczecin, Poland.  
26 May
- Exhibition: “The In-Between”**, Arts Outreach, Gillman Barracks, SG.  
27 - 28 March (MIRROR exhibition)
- Exhibition: “Artist as Collector”**, Comma Space, Gillman Barracks, SG.  
22-30 January, Singapore Art Week
- Performance: “I Am A Product of Upbringing 2.0”**, Singapore.  
23 January, Singapore Art Week *\*Part of “I AM A CON ARTIST”, a solo  
exhibition by Singaporean artist Justin Lee at The Private Museum.*

- 2020** **Exhibition: “Streets of Hope”**, National Arts Council, Queen Street, Singapore.  
12 August - 29 September
- Exhibition: “Room For Roses”** (adapted run), Flor Patisserie (Duxton Hill), Singapore. MIRROR Art Duo.  
18 February - 7 July  
*\* “Room For Roses” was awarded the NAC Digital Presentation Grant, and translated into a digital, 360 virtual exhibition experience in July. [View here.](#)*
- Exhibition: “Room For Roses”** (first run), Practice Practice, Singapore. MIRROR Art Duo.  
9 - 19 January, held in conjunction with Singapore Art Week.
- 2019** **Exhibition: “Soul Art Show”**, Artmai Gallery Hotel, Nimmanhaemin, Chiang Mai, Thailand. MIRROR Art Duo.  
9 August - 30 September
- Exhibition: “Phrae 1st Abstract Art Exhibition”**, Phrae Art Center, Phrae, Thailand. MIRROR Art Duo. (group show)  
11 January - 28 February
- Exhibition: “We Are From The Sun”**, Gallery at MOX, Singapore  
14 - 20 May
- 2018** **Exhibition: “The Money Tree Project”**, Whitespace Gallery (Bangkok), Art Stage Singapore.  
25 - 28 January
- Exhibition: “Everything You Ever Wanted to Know”**, Teng Collection, Private Collectors Show, Art Stage Singapore.  
26 - 28 January
- 2017** **Exhibition: “Esan Power”**, Work Ubon, Ubon Ratchathani, Thailand. (group show)  
4 December 2017 - 31 January 2018
- Residency Project: Nong Bo Art House**, Ubon Ratchathani, Thailand.  
October  
*\* Co-founded the Nong Bo Art House with artist Maitree Siriboon.*

- 2015 Community Project: “Riding the Henderson Wave”**, Telok Blangah Community Centre, SG.  
August - December  
*\* For Singapore’s 50th national day celebrations, Isabella was commissioned to design and implement a community art project that involved the creation of a large-scale, 11-storey-high mural, to be displayed on the facade of a public housing apartment in Telok Blangah.*
- 2014 Solo Exhibition: “Searching for Magic”**, Art Seasons Gallery, OCBC Art Space, Singapore.  
17 Feb - 8 March
- Commissioned Installation: “Sky Holes”**, Citylink Mall, Singapore.
- Commissioned Installation: “Sky Portals”**, National Library & Bishan Library, Arts in Your Neighbourhood Programme (NAC), Singapore.
- 2013 Commissioned Installation: “A Place Called Home”**, series of 7 installations), Clementi Community Centre, Singapore.
- Project: “The Black Line Project”**, installation in various locations
- Commissioned Installation: “Windows into a Flipside World”**, series of 6 installations for Esplanade Flipside Carnival 2013), Esplanade Theatres By the Bay, Singapore.
- 2012 Solo Exhibition: “Dancing on Thin Air”**, Marshall ArtSpace, Singapore.  
22-23 September
- 2011 Exhibition: “PLACE”**, Marshall ArtSpace, Singapore. (group show)  
17 - 31 July

- 2010 Exhibition: OH! Open House (Marine Parade)**, Singapore.  
*\* Presented “Secret Landing”, an installation created at the staircase landing of a public housing apartment, as part of an Art Walk that aimed to bring art into people’s homes.*  
3 - 25 January
- 2009 Exhibition: “TACTILE Show”**, 8Q wing, Singapore Art Museum, Singapore.  
13 November 2009 - 10 January 2010

#### **AWARDS, SCHOLARSHIPS & GRANTS**

**Winston Oh Travel Award** – Sponsored by Dr Winston Oh and selected by LASALLE College of the Arts, Singapore, 2022.

**Digital Presentation Grant** - Received from the National Arts Council (Singapore) for her project “Room for Roses”, 2020.

**The Awesome Foundation Grant** – Awarded by The Awesome Foundation (Singapore Charter) for her project “Nong Bo Art House”, Nov 2017.

**Yale-Visiting International Students’ Programme (Y-VISP) Scholarship** - Full scholarship awarded by the National University of Singapore for year-long travel exchange to Yale University, New Haven, USA, 2011-2012.

**Kripalani Arts Award** – Awarded by Raffles Junior College for Achievement in the Visual Arts, 2008.