

# Yeoh Choo Kuan

## CV

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(b.1988, Malaysia)

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Yeoh Choo Kuan's practice articulates the tension between a spiritual élan and the magnetism of desire, violence and the flesh. The natural landscape and the overload of information are extremes of a spectrum he embraces and represents in all its contradictions. With abstract painting as a strong foundation, Choo Kuan has in the latest years transcended into the conceptual realm of installation. His explorations of different artistic domains meet a sheer enjoyment of textures, mark making, and disintegration of the pictorial matter.

The biographical, psychological and emotional element is always his point of departure, leading then into visual reflections on our shared socio-political realm.

Choo Kuan's solo exhibitions include: *Today's Special* (2020), Richard Koh Fine Art Singapore; *Streaming Mountain* (2019), Richard Koh Fine Art Singapore; *Lights In* (2018), Tang Contemporary Art, Bangkok; *Live Leak* (2017), Richard Koh Fine Art Malaysia; *Private Sentiment* (2012), and *House of Matahati*, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

He currently lives and works in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

## Education

- 2010 Diploma in Fine Arts, Dasein Academy of Art, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

## Selected Solo Exhibitions

- 2025 *Once Broken, Considered Soul*, Richard Koh Fine Art, Gillman Barracks, Singapore
- 2023 *What Makes A Mountain*, eslite spectrum, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia  
*What Makes A Mountain*, Richard Koh Fine Art, Gillman Barracks, Singapore
- 2022 *Human Nature*, Roof top of Avenue K Shopping Mall, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
- 2020 *Today's Special*, Richard Koh Fine Art, Gillman Barracks, Singapore  
*A Day and Forever*, Art Basel Online Viewing Room, Hong Kong, China (with Richard Koh Fine Art)
- 2019 *Streaming Mountain (Installation)*, Richard Koh Fine Art, Gillman Barracks, Singapore  
*Streaming Mountain*, Richard Koh Fine Art, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
- 2018 *Lights In*, Tang Contemporary Art, Bangkok
- 2017 *Live Leak*, Richard Koh Fine Art, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
- 2014 *In the Flesh*, Richard Koh Fine Art, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
- 2012 *Private Sentiment*, House of Matahati, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

## Selected Group Exhibitions

- 2025 *On View*, Richard Koh Fine Art, Gillman Barracks, Singapore  
*Art Dubai*, Madinat Jumeirah, Dubai, United Arab Emirates (with Richard Koh Fine Art)  
*Art Basel Hong Kong 2025*, Hong Kong Convention & Exhibition Centre (HKCEC), Hong Kong, China (with Richard Koh Fine Art)  
*ART SG*, Marina Bay Sands Expo and Convention Centre, Singapore (with Richard Koh Fine Art)
- 2024 *ArtMoments*, Sheraton Grand Jakarta Gandaria City Hotel Grand Ballroom, Jakarta, Indonesia (with Richard Koh Fine Art)  
*Journeying Through Malaysian Art, Imagination and Legacy*, Galeri Khazanah Mini Exhibition, Think City @ Bangunan UAB, Penang, Malaysia



- Not Just in Black and White, Works from the Steve Wong Art Collection, GDP Campus, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
- Art Basel Hong Kong 2024, Hong Kong Convention & Exhibition Centre (HKCEC), Hong Kong, China (with Richard Koh Fine Art)
- ART SG, Marina Bay Sands Expo and Convention Centre, Singapore (with Richard Koh Fine Art)
- 2023 Art Basel Hong Kong 2023, Hong Kong Convention & Exhibition Centre (HKCEC), Hong Kong, China (with Richard Koh Fine Art)
- ART SG, Marina Bay Sands Expo and Convention Centre, Singapore (with Richard Koh Fine Art)
- 2022 Art Jakarta, Jakarta Convention Centre (JCC) Senayan, Jakarta, Indonesia (with Richard Koh Fine Art)
- Time Together: Exploring Art Through Khazanah Nasional Berhad's Collection, Galeri Khazanah, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
- ILHAM Art Show 2022, ILHAM Gallery, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
- Gestures of Landscape, Richard Koh Fine Art, Gillman Barracks, Singapore
- 2021 niskala part 1, Segaris Art Center, Publika Shopping Gallery, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
- 2020 In Our Own Frame: 15<sup>th</sup> Year Celebration, Richard Koh Fine Art, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
- 2019 Art Expo Malaysia, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia (with Richard Koh Fine Art)
- Public Artwork, Gillman Barracks, Singapore
- 2018 VOLTA 14, Basel, Switzerland (with Richard Koh Fine Art)
- Art Central 2018, Hong Kong, China (with Richard Koh Fine Art)
- The Modalities of Abstraction: Srihadi Soedarsono & Yeoh Choo Kuan, Art Agenda, S.E.A., Art Stage Singapore 2018, Marina Bay Sands Expo and Convention Centre, Singapore
- The Horizon is Just an Illusion: New Thoughts on Landscape, Our Artprojects, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
- 2017 The Artling Pop-up, Artspace @ Helutrans, Singapore
- THE UNREAL DEAL - Six Decades of Malaysian Abstract Art, Bank Negara Museum and Art Gallery, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
- VOLTA 13, Basel, Switzerland (with Richard Koh Fine Art)
- Art Central 2017, Central Harbourfront, Hong Kong, China (with Richard Koh Fine Art)
- Art Stage Singapore 2017, Marina Bay Sands Expo and Convention Centre, Singapore (with Richard Koh Fine Art)
- 2016 Malaysian Art, A Special Preview, Richard Koh Fine Art, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
- Malaysian Art, A New Perspective, Richard Koh Fine Art, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
- Art Central Hong Kong 2016, Central Harbourfront, Hong Kong, China (with Richard Koh Fine Art)
- Art Stage Singapore 2016, Marina Bay Sands Expo and Convention Centre, Singapore (with Richard Koh Fine Art)
- 2015 11<sup>th</sup> China International Gallery Exposition (CIGE) 2015, China National Convention Centre, Beijing, China (with Richard Koh Fine Art)
- Synthesis, The Art Centre, Chulalongkorn University, Bangkok, Thailand
- I am Ten, Richard Koh Fine Art, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
- Art Central Hong Kong 2015, Central Harbourfront, Hong Kong, China (with Richard Koh Fine Art)
- Art Stage Singapore 2015, Marina Bay Sands Expo and Convention Centre, Singapore (with Richard Koh Fine Art)
- Malaysian Art, A New Perspective, Richard Koh Fine Art, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
- Malaysia Art, A New Perspective, Richard Koh Fine Art, Singapore
- 2014 Art Taipei 2014, Taipei, Taiwan (with Richard Koh Fine Art)
- Southeast Asian Pavilion, KIAF/14, Seoul, South Korea
- Arts Kuala Lumpur – Melbourne, Space@Collins Street Melbourne, Australia
- Configuration, G13 Gallery, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia



## Award

2016 Forbes 30 Under 30 Asia: The Arts

## Residencies

2022 Acme Studio, Khazanah Residency Programme, London

2017 Red Gate Residency, Beijing, China

2015 Rimbun Dahan, Selangor, Malaysia

2013 Sager Residency, Hom Art Trans, Kuala Lumpur, Suria Perahu Art Connection, Indonesia and Orange Gallery, Philippines

2012 HOM Residency, HOM Art Trans, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

Malaysian Art Emerging Artist Award (MEAA), White Box, Publika, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

2013 50/50 (two man show with artist Zelin Seah), TAKSU, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

SAGER III (touring exhibition in 3 countries), HOM Gallery (Malaysia), Perahu Art Connection (Indonesia), Orange Gallery (Philippines)

Frame of Mind II, Orange Gallery, Bacolod City, Philippines

No Random Nonsense, Boston Gallery, Quezon City, Philippines

X Individuals - The Explorations, Art Accent Gallery, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

Figuration Trajectory, G13 Gallery, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

Up, TAKSU, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

Locals Only, TAKSU, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

2012 Young & NEW Part IV, House of Matahati, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

A Meter Diameter, House of Matahati, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

2011 Malaysia Emerging Artist Award (MEAA), Soka Gakkai Cultural Building, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

The Malaysian Rice Plate Project, KL Convention Center, Suria KLCC, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

INSPIRATION OF TOMORROW, Starhill Gallery, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

2010 NOW!, Starhill Gallery, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

Breakthrough, Starhill Gallery, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia





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