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"Educational highlights" finalists into a turning point Male final round artist dream

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1/1 Liao's unique creative style attracted the head of the gallery to invite him to become a signed painter and hold a solo exhibition.

(Star Island Daily Report) As an artist is to insist, this year's university graduateliao, although the three have set the goal of becoming an artist, but the poor results failed to go to university, the family and the head teacher also suggested that he enroll edit dessert course; Hong Kong Outstanding Student Artist Award" and successful lying out, he was a self-confidence boost, more successful from the associate degree to connect the university, study visual arts, not graduated has been recognized by the gallery as a contracted painter, mainly in oil painting and installation art development.

Some people think that in Hong Kong artists are poor and difficult to live, but for the local young artist Liao Yanheng, since the third year of painting,

determined to become an artist, "art can give me a sense of satisfaction and achievement, the rest of my life want to paint." He added that he was encouraged by the praise that he was born with a hand-held brush after a high school teacher had seen his work.

Liao, who intends to pursue a higher education in the arts at the University, because of the poor grades, the head teacher and his family did not expect him to go further, Liao recalled, in the consultation, the head teacher had pointed out that he could not become an artist, as well as to apply for the Vocational Training Bureau's dessert course, his father also said "will only let him complete the sixth", "that moment in addition to frustration, " Also understand that the results alone can not enter the university, then look for the opportunity to continue painting.]

In the event of the first "Hong Kong Outstanding Student Artist Award" accepted the application, the finalists can plan and hold two exhibitions of their own, the winner sits on the sponsored tour" Venice Biennale, then please the teacher recommended to participate, his works are mostly the life of strange and nonsense as inspiration, and with the rich and colorful painting and installation art presentation, the final entry of the works, "can be shortlisted really surprised, while increasing my self-confidence."]

Participating in the competition became a turning point in Liao's life, after graduating from the associate degree program, successfully connected the Department of Visual Arts of Baptist University, and the following year more self-planning exhibitions, works attracted the head of the gallery to invite him to become a signed painter, and held a personal exhibition, the same year was recommended in "Affordable Art Fair Hong Kong's work on display. "It's a shock to be able to hold a solo exhibition in a gallery and enter the business world. He graduated this year and now works full-time in the

gallery.

Huang Jiayi, the first finalist, points out that her creations focus on exploring the relationship between behavior and all kinds of things in life, such as recording the events seen in front of her through photography and painting, such as pedestrian behavior on fallen leaves, and recording her feelings in words. She is a recent graduate of the Department of Arts at Chinese University, saying that she may not be working full-time, "trying to apply art to different industries and using your spare time to create."]

Outstanding Student Artist New Awards to Nurture Tomorrow's Leaders



(Sing Tao Daily News) The Outstanding Student Artist Award of Hong Kong (OSA Award), co-founded by enthusiastic art educators, encourages students to develop their artistic potential. It enables student artists of different education backgrounds and syllabus to participate in recognizing their talents. The award is held every two years and this year is the 3rd series of the event.

150 students were nominated by teachers, and 17 of them were selected, who will all become a member of the OSA Alumni. Out of them, four winners will be sponsored to visit the "Venice Biennale" in Oct 2019. A total of two exhibitions are to be planned (including the exhibition after the study trip from Venice). One of the founders, Jason Woo, commented that it will be a great idea if the award can eventually be run by the OSA Alumni in the future.

OSA Award was co-established by 2 art enthusiasts, Davis Chan, who is an art educator and currently the Principal of a secondary school and a civil engineer, Jason Woo.

The award aims to provide a credible platform to evaluate the creativity and individuality of students. The judges, composed of scholars and other professional from the art industry, selected 17 outstanding students and artists according to their skills, style and creative process. Jason emphasized that the judges will not base on any particular students' artworks to select the winners, but instead the awards are given to "artists" rather than "works". In the selection, students are required to submit three works with their art development portfolios and presented to the judges during the interview.

This year the winners are excellent, Jason Woo. In addition to "**The Best Outstanding Student Artist Award**", this year we have introduced "**The Best Art Leader Award**" to praise the best student artist who is not only talented in arts, but also has a holistic enthusiasm and vision that can enable him/ her to manage changes and embrace innovation with great potential in becoming future leader in the art industry. He hopes through the group exhibitions and follow-up alumni activities, the Student Art Leader can further develop his/ her leadership skills and artistic inspiration to lead other student artists from different styles and backgrounds in future.

Jason also wishes to they can broaden their perspectives and encourage each other to develop through art and cultural exchange through various opportunities and platforms in the OSA Alumni.

"We hope the OSA Alumni can continue to the good work and eventually participate in the Organizing Committee and organize future OSA Awards and exhibitions by themselves", added Jason.