

CHEN CHENG

EDUCATION

PhD Candidate of Cultural Studies in Asia 2021-Present
National University of Singapore, NUS
Communication and New Media, FASS

Master of Arts 2021
Nanyang Technological University, NTU, Singapore
Museum Studies and Curatorial Practices

Bachelor's Degree (2nd Upper Hon) 2017
University of Central Lancashire, UK
Arts in Spatial Design

Diploma 2016
Lasalle College of the Arts, SG
Spatial Interior Design

CONFERENCES

2025 Cambridge 2025 Association of Southeast Asian Studies (ASEAS) Annual Conference, St John's College, University of Cambridge.

2025 The 7th International Conference on Public Policy Chiang Mai, Thailand (ICPP7), International Public Policy Association.

2025 Inter-Asia Cultural Studies Conference, Walailak University, Thailand 23-25 July

2025 The 15th Asian Conference on Cultural Studies (ACCS2025), The International Academic Forum (IAFOR), Tokyo Japan.

2025 Design Thinking +-x+ @ Singapore University of Technology and Design, by DBCS (Design Business Chamber Singapore)

2024 17th CCVA Annual Conference: (Extra)ordinary living: aesthetics in contemporary China, The Centre for Chinese Visual Arts(CCVA), Birmingham City University in collaboration with Nanjing University of the Arts.

2024 NUS CNM gCON (Graduate Seminar) 'Wonderland: Navigator, Negotiator and Nomad- New Technologies and Cultural Innovation Panel

2024 Inter-Asia Cultural Studies Society (IACSS) Summer School: Tense & Tender Tropics, Ecologies of Vulnerability & Care (University of the Philippines Diliman, Quezon City)

2024 19th Singapore Graduate Forum on Southeast Asian Studies (Asia Research Institute, NUS)

2023 Inter-Asia Cultural Studies Biennial Conclave "Post-Pandemic Futures-Re-Mapping Inter-Asian Routes" Ahmedabad University, India, 27-29 July

2023 Design Education Summit 2023-Designsingapore Council

2023 NUS CNM gCON (Graduate Seminar) 'Media, Borders, and Transformations: Rethinking the Role of Media in Shaping Societies and Cultures- Committee chair-person- National University of Singapore, 22-23 September

AWARDS

2025 Innovative Teaching Excellence Award (ITEA): Blended Learning- National University of Singapore

2015 Merit Scholarship- LASALLE college of the Arts, Singapore

PUBLICATION

Chen, C.(2023). Musealisation of Tibet: A Critical Review of the Potala Palace. Asian Journal of Language, Literature and Culture Studies, 6(1), 1-21.



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COMMUNITY & SOCIAL DESIGNS

2024 Singapore Design Week "People of Design" + School of X By DesignSingapore Council, Kampong Kapor Community Project.

2024 Singapore Passion Art Lead Artist for Kovan-Paya Lebar Community Center

2021 Pasir Ris East CACC & CC HDB National Day Façade Art

2021 Vanguard Senja Senior Home Community Mural Art Project

2021 Singapore Marsiling Community Club 'Giant Art Plank' Art project

2019 'Urban Sketching at Telok Aryer' for Jurong Spring Community Center-Minister Mr Desmond Lee

2018 & 2019 Singapore Passion Art Festival @ Jurong Lake Garden

2018 'Jurong Spring Umbrella Art- 2018 Singapore National Day' community Art

ART & CURATION

2025 SG60 National Day Art Exhibition 2025

2022 'Year of the Tiger Western Art Exhibition' Federation of Art Societies (Singapore)

2021 'Arts in The Midst of a Pandemic Exhibition in Conjunction with the celebration of Singapore 56th National Day' @ Singapore Chinese Cultural Center

2020 Singapore Tanglin 'The Art Dream Exhibition'

2015 Singapore Lion City Gallery- Permanent Solo Exhibition

2015 Haper's Bazaar Art Prize Online Prize Award Winner

2014 Bank Art Fair- Singapore

2010 Japanese cultural exchange organizing committee member

2010 SAJC Student Councilor for Arts and Cultural

WORK EXPERIENCE

PhD Doctorate Researcher

2021-Present

National University of Singapore

- Identity politics, creative design, cultural studies in Asia

Design Thinking Instructor

2021.Aug-Present

National University of Singapore

- DID (Division of Industrial Design) School of Design & Environment)

Singapore Chapter Programme Lead

2025. March-Present

Young Urbanist Southeast Asia(YUSEA)

Develop program frameworks based on participatory approach for policymaking

Visual Spatial Designer

2018-2021

Nike, Singapore

- Southeast Asia Interior, social media Digital marketing and visual design for seasonal global/territory campaigns.

Founder

2016. Aug-Present

Cheng's Art Studio

- Community art and design workshops and events

SOFTWARE SKILLS

Microsoft Package, Adobe Photoshop, Adobe Illustrator, Adobe After Effects, Indesign. Premium Pro CC, Adobe After Effects, AutoCAD, Sketch Up. Vectorworks

LANGUAGES

English (Fluent)

Chinese (Fluent)

Japanese (Conversational)