

Chihoi

Chihoi (b. 1977, Hong Kong) is a self-taught artist with a practice stemming from drawing and illustrations. He has also been publishing comic books since the late 1990s. Over the years, his practice has expanded to encompass oil painting. As a comic artist, Chihoi would transform imagination and story into frame-by-frame pictures. While as a painter, he would begin with observation and thoughts from reality, before materializing these introspections into intimate tableaus, capturing fleeting moments that allude to one's inner psyche. Chihoi's painted scenes carry urban textures and existential underpinnings, at times unveiling estrangement from an environment that once felt familiar.

Chihoi's solo exhibitions have taken place at Blindspot Gallery (Hong Kong, 2024), Grafixx Festival / De Studio (Antwerp, 2022), ACO Art Space (Hong Kong, 2019), Taipei Dangdai (Taipei, 2019), Fumetto Comix Festival (Luzern, Switzerland, 2010), and Hong Kong Arts Centre (Hong Kong, 2007), among others. Chihoi has also participated at Jameel Arts Centre (Dubai, 2024), Hayy Jameel (Jeddah, 2023), Yi-Hsiu Museum of Art (Nantou, 2023), Southbank Centre (London, 2022), La Villa Belleville (Paris, 2022), and the 11th Seoul Mediacity Biennale (Seoul, 2021), among others. In 2011, Chihoi was awarded the Désirée and Hans Michael Jebsen Fellowship from Asian Cultural Council, an artist residency which took place in New York.

Chihoi currently lives and works in Taipei.

Solo Exhibitions		
2024	"Leeway", Blindspot Gallery, Hong Kong	
2022	"Merry Christmas and Happy New Year", Gallery EXIT, Hong Kong "Insert A Page", Grafixx Festival / De Studio, Antwerp, Belgium	
2021	"Time Effaces Time", Project Fulfill Art Space, Taipei, Taiwan	
2020	"Panorama Reflection of the Tortoise and the Hare – Duo Exhibition by Chihoi & Son Ni", JXJ Gallery, Taipei, Taiwan	
2019	"Library & 6F Basement", ACO Art Space, Hong Kong "A Very Long Walk", Gallery Exit, Taipei Dangdai Art Fair, Taipei, Taiwan	
2018	"Library & the Reading Room", Mangasick, Taipei, Taiwan	
2017	"Dream Books", Shimokitazawa Generations, Taipei, Taiwan	
2016	"Permanent Transition", CL3 Architects Ltd., Hong Kong	
2014	"New Dust", Gallery EXIT, Hong Kong	
2012	"Behind the view - Duo Exhibition of Lulu Ngie and Chihoi", Cafe Showroom / Off-site, Taipei, Taiwan	

2010 "Unknown Emotion", Fumetto Comix Festival, Luzern, Switzerland 2008 "Crumb of Drawings", Mogu, Taipei, Taiwan "Sinfonia - Chihoi and Hok Tak Yeung", BilBolBul Festival, Bologna, Italy 2007 "Hochaaa! Chihoi's Comic, 10-Year Retrospective!", Hong Kong Arts Centre, Hulahoop, and Joint Publishing Jonathan Bookshop, Hong Kong 2006 "District Borders - Tsang Kin-Wah, Chihoi", Shanghai Strefet Artspace, Hong Kong 2002 "Reminiscence of Solitude", Club 64, Hong Kong 1999 "The Summer", Eureka Bookshop, Hong Kong **Group Exhibitions (selected)** "When Night Falls", TKG+ Projects, Taipei, Taiwan 2024 "At the Edge of Land", Jameel Arts Centre, Dubai, United Arab Emirates Art Basel Hong Kong 2024, Blindspot Gallery & Gallery Exit, Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre, Hong Kong 2023 "At the Edge of Land", Hayy Jameel, Jeddah, Saudi Arabia "The Everyday Interrupted", Yu-Hsiu Museum of Art, Nantou, Taiwan "The Book Act No.2", Karin Weber Gallery, Hong Kong 2022 "Plaine – Lagon Revue", La Villa Belleville, Paris, France Drive My Car, The Hall, Taipei, **Taiwan** "Drive My Car", The Hall, Taipei, Taiwan "Chihoi: The Train", Southbank Centre, London, UK "On Paper", Project Fulfill Art Space, Taipei, Taiwan 2021 "One Escape at a Time", 11th Seoul Mediacity Biennale, Seoul Museum of Art, Korea "Taiwan Scenery and its Tail", The Hall, Taipei, Taiwan "The World is a show for my chosen eye's delight", Gallery EXIT, Hong Kong 2020 "Castles in the Air", Karin Weber Gallery, Hong Kong 2019 Art Basel Hong Kong 2019, Gallery Exit, Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre, Hong Kong 2018 "nos: bookstore in Ponding", Ponding Space, Taipei, Taiwan 2017 "To Each, His Zone", Gallery EXIT, Hong Kong "Moving Mountain – nos: books exhibition at Fanzines! Festival", Le Wonder / Liebert, France "Holiday Dance", Book Gallery Popotame, Tokyo, Japan "愚公移山", Makee, Hong Kong 2016

- 2015 "Tell a Rock to Relax", We Make It Studio, Berlin, Germany "after / image", Studio 52, Hong Kong
- 2014 "4D Comics Invitational Exhibition of Department of Fine Arts", Hui Gallery, New Asia College, The Chinese University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong Art Basel Hong Kong 2014, Gallery Exit, Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre, Hong Kong "Leung Ping Kwan (1949-2013), A Retrospective", Hong Kong Central Library and Fringe Club, Hong Kong
- 2013 "Comics Über Grenzen Hinweg", Nanjing University of the Arts, Nanjing, China Art Basel Hong Kong 2013, Gallery Exit, Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre, Hong Kong
- 2012 "Painting On and On Part 2 Automatic Banana", Southsite, Hong Kong
- 2011 "Octopus Nine Contemporary Artists from Hong Kong", Hanina Contemporary Art, Tel Aviv, Israel

"There Are Trees Above", Gallery EXIT, Hong Kong

"Chernobyl 25th Anniversary Exhibition – Think Twice: A Nuclear Hong Kong?", Greenpeace / Pier 8 Central, Hong Kong

- 2010 "Legacy and Creations Art vs Art", Museum of Contemporary Art Shanghai, Shanghai, China; Hong Kong Museum of Art, Hong Kong
- "Lustfully Yours", Hulahoop, Hong Kong
 "The Last Match", Survival Kit Project, Baltanakts, Riga, Lutvia
 "Friendship", Small Press Expo 09, Gallery K1, Kulturhuset, Stockholm, Sweden
- 2008 "Textualizing Hong Kong", 11th Venice Biennale International Architecture Exhibition, Venice, Italy

 "Boautiful Journey, Boautiful World Art Container Broject", West Kowleen Cultural

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- "Chine(s)", Festival BD à Bastia, Centre Culturale Una Volta, Corsica, France "China Comics Now", London College of Communication, London, UK
- "Poetry and Comics", Taipei Poetry Festival, NTUE Nanhai Gallery, Taipei, Taiwan
 "Autobibliophiles Artists who make or use books", Studio Bibliotheque, Hong Kong
 "Comix Magneto Singapore Version", Substation, Singapore
 "Comix World Expo #1 Seul dans la foule", International Comic Festival of Angoulême, France
- 2006 "The Inner, Outer Sphere Hong Kong Contemporary Arts Exhibition", KX Gallery, Hamburg, Germany

"Hong Kong SpringrollIII – Past Continuous Tense", Fumetto Comix Festival, Luzern, Switzerland

"Comix Homebase – Comix Magneto", Hong Kong Arts Centre, Hong Kong

2005 "40075 km Comics", L'Employé du Moi, Recyclart, Brussels, Belgium "Three thousand-layer pudding", 1a Space, Hong Kong

"Portable Paysage", Ox Warehouse, Macau "Comics and Poetry", East Bank Bookshop, Hong Kong
"Windows of Hong Kong", Fumetto Comix Festival, Luzern, Switzerland
"Cell C: Technicolor Comix Series", Z+, Hong Kong

Awards & Residency

2011 Désirée and Hans Michael Jebsen Fellowship, Asian Cultural Council. Artist residency in LMCC, New York, USA

Collections

M+, Hong Kong

Thomas J. Watson Library of the Metropolitan Museum of Art, USA (publication collection)

Comic Publications

2020	The Book Fight, mini kuš! / Biedriba Grafiskie stasti, Latvia
2018	Library & I'm With My Saint, nos:books, Taiwan
2016	Fa Fa World 8 - Home Signal, Joint Publishing (HK), Hong Kong
2015	Fa Fa World 7 - Taste of Rain, Joint Publishing (HK), Hong Kong
2014	Fa Fa World 6 - Bite to Love, Joint Publishing (HK), Hong Kong
2013	The Library, Conundrum Press, Canada Fa Fa World 5 - How To Write This Word, Joint Publishing, Hong Kong
2012	Fa Fa World 4 - Give Dad a Kiss, Joint Publishing (HK), Hong Kong
2011	Fa Fa World 3 - My Teacher is a Cat, Joint Publishing (HK), Hong Kong
2010	Fa Fa World 2 - Longer Summer, Joint Publishing (HK), Hong Kong
2009	Fa Fa World, Joint Publishing (HK), Hong Kong
2008	A L'Horizon, Atrabile, Swizterland
2007	 Hijacking - Hong Kong Comic Literature, co-author Kongkee, Joint Publishing (HK), Hong Kong [French edition] Détournements - La Littérature de Hong Kong en Bande Désinnée, trans. Camille Loivier, Atrabile, May 2012, Switzerland

The Train, co-author Hung Hung, Dark Eyes Ltd, Nov 2007, Taiwan

[English edition] The Train, Conundrum Press, Sep 2014, Canada

[Italian edition] *Il Treno*, trans. Giovanna Puppin, Canicola, Mar 2008, Italy
 [French edition] - *Le Train*, trans. Camille Loivier, Atrabile, Apr 2010, Swizterland

- [Finnish edition] *Juna*, trans. Kalle Hakkola & Hannele Richert, Finnish Comics Society, Aug 2015, Finland
- 2003 Still Life, Wheatear Publishing, Hong Kong.
 - [Re-edition] Mar 2011
- 2000 Piece of Mind, Igcool.com.inc., Hong Kong
- 1999 The Writer and Her Story, self-published, Hong Kong
 - [Re-edition] self-published, Jan 2005
 - [Re-edition] by Kubrick & 29s, Jul 2007
- 1997 The Writer, self-published, Hong Kong