

Gatot Indrajati

Born: 1980 in Bogor, Indonesia

Bachelor of Fine Art, *Institut Seni Indonesia (ISI)*, Yogyakarta

Gatot Indrajati was born in West Java, but grew up in Magelang, capital of Central Java. Since young, he has always had an affinity with wood, fashioning his own toys, not being able to afford the commercially available metal or plastic figures and toys. Instead, he created his own versions of superheroes by his own handiwork.

Pursuing his higher education at the Indonesian Institute of the Arts (ISI), wood became the primary medium for his sculpting work. Gatot is thus far the only artist to have won the UOB Painting of the Year award twice; the first time in 2011, and once again in 2016. Not only did he win the award a second time, but *Right or Wrong My Home*, the artwork submitted, was selected for the Painting of the Year at the regional level as well.

His depictions of wooden toys on canvas are critiques of society, dolls and toys becoming metaphors for those who become the playthings of others, a phenomenon that exists in society today but not often acknowledged. His works provide a “second life” to these playthings, as well as provide a platform for Gatot to express his opinions about social issues he observes in society.

Awards

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| 2016 | Winner, UOB Southeast Asian Painting of the Year 2016
Winner, UOB Indonesia Painting of the Year 2016 (Established Artist Category) |
| 2011 | Winner, UOB Indonesia Painting of the Year 2011 |
| 2008 | Winner, Indonesian Art Award 2008 |

Solo Exhibitions

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| 2019 | (re)construct | Singapore Art Museum, Singapore |
| 2018 | Kotak Utak-Atik
("The Tinkering Box", solo installation project) | Children's Art Space, Museum MACAN, Jakarta, Indonesia |
| 2014 | The Puppet State | Art Seasons Gallery, Singapore and Srisasanti Gallery, Yogyakarta, Indonesia |
| 2010 | Simple Pleasure | Art Seasons Gallery, Singapore |

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Group Exhibitions (selected)

2019	Art Jakarta 2019 Hotel Art Fair Bangkok 2019 AArt Citizen Art Shanghai 2019 Art Tainan 2019	Jakarta Convention Centre, Jakarta, Indonesia (with Artemis Art) W Hotel, Bangkok, Thailand (with Artemis Art) Twelve at Hengshan, Shanghai, China (with Artemis Art) Tayih Landis Hotel, Tainan, Taiwan (with Artemis Art)
2018	Art Jakarta 2018 Art Stage Singapore	Ritz-Carlton Jakarta Pacific Place, Jakarta, Indonesia (with Artemis Art) UOB Showcase, Marina Bay Sands Expo & Convention Centre, Singapore
2017	Art Sampoerna: Flow Into Now Celebrating Diversity Art-tivities Now Beijing International Art Biennale 2017	Sampoerna Strategic Square, Jakarta, Indonesia LATAR, Jakarta, Indonesia Breeze Art Space, Tangerang, Indonesia National Art Museum of China, Beijing, China
2016	Cartography of Painting	Albert Gallery, Serpong, Tangerang, Indonesia
2013	Bazaar Art Jakarta The Big Small Show	Ritz-Carlton Jakarta Pacific Place, Jakarta, Indonesia (with Srisasanti Gallery) Art Seasons Gallery, Singapore
2011	Art Seasons Anniversary Show Art Stage Singapore 2011 UOB Painting of The Year Finalists Showcase	Art Seasons Gallery, Singapore Marina Bay Sands Expo & Convention Centre, Singapore UOB Plaza, Jakarta, Indonesia
2009	SH Contemporary 09 Borderless World ASYAAF (Asian Student & Young Artist Art Festival)	Shanghai, China Srisasanti Gallery, Yogyakarta, Indonesia Seoul, Korea
2008	Space Dialectics Indonesia Art Awards 2008	Srisasanti Gallery, Yogyakarta, Indonesia Galeri Nasional, Jakarta, Indonesia

In The Media (selected)

- 2019 **“Artist Feature: Gatot Indrajati”** – Singapore Art Museum Facebook page, July 28 2019 (<https://www.facebook.com/singaporeartmuseum/videos/447986865931445/>)
- “Pesona ‘Kardus’ Gatot Indrajati Bakal Menyapa Singapura”** – Detik.com, June 24 2019 (<https://www.facebook.com/singaporeartmuseum/videos/447986865931445/>)
- 2018 **“Museum Macan unveils interactive installation for children”** – The Jakarta Post, August 21 2018 (<https://www.thejakartapost.com/life/2018/08/21/museum-macan-unveils-interactive-installation-for-children.html>)

“Cardboard Art for Children at Museum MACAN” – Jakarta Globe, August 9 2018
(<https://jakartaglobe.id/culture/cardboard-art-children-museum-macan/>)

“Museum MACAN to present works of Gatot Indrajati in Children’s Art Space” – The Jakarta Post, July 24 2018
(<http://www.thejakartapost.com/life/2018/07/23/museum-macan-to-present-works-of-gatot-indrajati-in-childrens-art-space.html>)

2017 **“An Interview With Gatot Indrajati, Winner of the 2016 UOB Southeast Asian Painting of the Year”** – UOB YouTube Channel, February 22 2017
(<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R--1HjzKSvo>)

2016 **“Patriotic art wins UOB prize”** – The Nation Thailand, November 11 2016
(<https://www.nationthailand.com/lifestyle/30299805>)

“Indonesia artist wins UOB Southeast Asian Painting of the Year” – Channelnews Asia, November 9 2016
(<https://www.channelnewsasia.com/news/singapore/indonesia-artist-wins-uob-southeast-asian-painting-of-the-year-7683644>)

“Artist wins UOB painting award for second time” – The Jakarta Post, October 25 2018
(<http://www.thejakartapost.com/life/2018/07/23/museum-macan-to-present-works-of-gatot-indrajati-in-childrens-art-space.html>)