

Arts & Heritage Charity

2023 Annual Report

FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 30 Nov 2023

The Very Quiet Studio Limited

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About Us

Arts & Heritage Charity

Mission

To promote better minds, reflections and learning conditions, for personal and social well being, through preservations and active re-discovery of higher truths, asian heritage, spiritual treasures.

The Very Quiet Studio Limited is now an Arts & Heritage charity organization in 2017 in the following objectives:

Objectives

- a) To promote the Asian Heritage
- b) To encourage Mental Health Fitness
- c) To educate on physical and mental health literacy
- d) To produce arts, culture and heritage related films or plays.

Methods/Activities

Influence through Art

To produce creative projects through the use of cinematic works and soundtracks with international artists.

To produce, direct, write, organise other audio or stage or visual production in suitable genres or medium or new platforms.

To build our mental capabilities and use our minds as a resource to stay fit and sound.

Empowerment through Advocacy

To encourage Mental Health Fitness for the aging and aged, both locally and internationally.

To inspire through organising forums, varying art genres and educational works, for continuous selfawakening and development.

To introduce innovative products that empower the independence of seniors in their daily living.

Awareness through Education

To produce publications on Buddhism Dharma and secular books.

To educate on physical and mental health literacy through the use of arts, new media or applications, and research.

To develop short-term programmes which bring change to create better life attitudes and practices.



Overview of Charity

Summary

The Very Quiet Studio Ltd is a Singapore Arts, Culture & Heritage Charity with a mission to promote better minds, reflections and learning conditions, for personal and social well being, through preservations and active re-discovery of higher truths, asian heritage, spiritual treasures. Since 2007 it has been evolving through short films, performing arts (piano, dance & music, choir 2020), collaborative exhibitions on local works, forums to discuss on acquiring wisdom as we age, original books publishing and creating its own media genre Sound Sañña a work on Asian stories through cinematic sound choreography.

The Very Quiet Studio Limited ("TVQS") was incorporated as a company limited by guarantee] in 16/11/2016.

TVQS was registered as a charity under the Charities Act (Chapter 37) since 12/12/2017.

TVQS has M&AA as its governing instrument.

TVQS is a charity with gross annual receipts or total expenditure of not more than \$50,000.

Unique Registration Number (UEN):

201631481G

Registered Address:

36 Robinson Road #14-03 City House Singapore 068877

Auditor:

TJ Assurance Partners PAC

Bankers

Singapore

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theveryquietstudio@gmail.com

Website

https://theveryquietstudio.asia

Leadership

Council

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Current Charity Board Appointment	Occupation	Past Charity Board Appointments
Founder, Board Director, Secretary 29 Dec 2016	Exe Director TVQS; Director of Light Carriage Productions	Board Member 16 Nov 2016
Board Director & Treasurer 28 May 2021	Business Consultant	
Board Director 1 June 2020	Bhaskar's Arts Academy Music Director	
	IT Manager	Board Member 16 Nov 2016
	Board Appointment Founder, Board Director, Secretary 29 Dec 2016 Board Director & Treasurer 28 May 2021	Founder, Board Director, Secretary 29 Dec 2016 Board Director & Treasurer 28 May 2021 Board Director 1 June 2020 Exe Director TVQS; Director of Light Carriage Productions Business Consultant Bhaskar's Arts Academy Music Director

Highlights of the Year

2023 Online and offline Works



5EM wins monthly Tagore International Film Festival under Religion Film category.







TVQS participated and wcb Best Film on Religion award at Sweden Academy of Motion Picture Awards for 2023.



TVQS was awarded Sayang Sayang fund by Community Fund of Singapore. We conducted 2'a cfY workshops from A Unite 'Bcj 202'. CAMRE is an initiative to introduce meditation with arts and movement for mental resilience.

Summary Financial Performance

Total Income: \$ 46992

• Total Expenditure: \$ 37654

• CAMRE workshops continued in May-Nov 2023. Sayang Sayang Fund and private donors supported the workshop.

Grants & Collaborators

- Cultural Matching Fund recipient for 202' with \$&')) \$ matched.
- Triple One Properties continue in support of TVQS CAMRE
- Various Donors from the public.

Our Work: Programmes and Activities

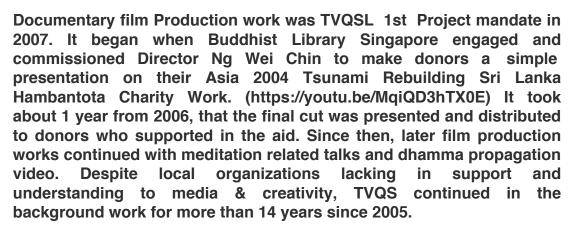
Productions: https://www.youtube.com/c/TheVeryQuietStudio

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TVQSL intends to utilize creative production for educational works such as Health Literacy, and Light a Little Light programs. Asian Chinese Language is the doorway to the unknown treasures of cultural wisdom, rich philosophies and moral attitudes, e perienced and practiced by Chinese ancestors, documented in concise and vivid words. Singapore used to have a strong foundation in bilingualism with proficiency in Mandarin while maintaining English as our working language. The Asian heritage can be further shared with non-native and non-Chinese who may become future experts of our neglected and misunderstood mother tongue.





TVQS Channel has more than 33.5K subscribers as of 25 May 2023. The channel is monetized via Youtube from 4 May 2019. It has over 11 Million youtube views, and over 50 million views worldwide on other platforms. In 2021 Oct 16-18 TVQS participated at Parliament of World Religions presenting Five Elements Movement. The work completed in late Feb 2022 and is put on Vimeo.



Five Elements Movement was premiered at the 8th Parliament of World Religions



Sweden Academy of Motion Picture Award





Year	Productions	Sponsors	Copyright
2022	CAMRE workshop promotional video https://youtu.be/yNZ8KuTJpKY	Sayang Sayang Fund	TVQS
2021	Five Elements Movement 44min on Vimeo trailer https://youtu.be/a3cTB97NtfU	BF/ TOP/ Public donors/ Harmony Fund / CMF	TVQS
2020	《点灯小时间》https://youtu.be/MbQtYINnTIU	NAC Digital Performance Grant & TOP	
2020	A tribute to Singapore Healthcare Workers during Covid19 https://youtu.be/mshtSWmfJ	DA Self funded	TVQS
2020	禅学 第二集: 在家里如何禅修? https://youtu.be/XM-PAbocEIE	Public Donations	TVQS/NWC
2020	禅学 第一集: 禅学是心灵卫生的泉源 https://youtu.be/6hzYKk02A-w	Public Donations	TVQS/NWC
2019	知北游 https://youtu.be/bYv8yLcVaWo	Self funded	TVQS
2015 -2019	Older But Wiser In-house productions forums recording (see older but wiser)	(see older but wiser)	TVQS
2015	Health Literacy "Glaucoma" prototype 医学常识青光眼 (样板) https://youtu.be/RH6QNyDVdWs	Self Funded	TVQS
2014	Taiwan Luminary Light Video Work for "Mindfulness for Creativity" Conference. 台湾香光寺 《转念。创意》 国际研讨会	Commissioned	Luminary Light
2012	Taiwan Organization Special Interview and documentation	Commissioned	TEK

Our Work: Programmes and Activities

Older But Wiser: https://www.theveryquietstudio.asia/older-but-wiser



Old But Wiser





















"老人悟" "Old But Wiser" or started in 2013. announcement of Singapore Pioneer Generation Card privileges. It held its first English forum "Elderly happiness and dignity" in 2014 Jan at NLB with a 3 week Film Photo exhibition on Singapore Street Elderly. The exhibition expanded in 2015 Dec with art painters joining with their expression on the theme at Fortcanning Foothills, Nila and Utama Galeri, and held a 3rd exhibition cum workshop at TTSH atrium in Feb 2015.

Chinese Forum 《老不沉重》June 2015 and 《老不得空》Feb 2017 received affirmative support and recognition by the local Chinese speaking audience. OBW guest performer Mdm Elaine Wu 巫衡丽 piano concerto on 《祭礼》won international fame and recognition, and The Very Quiet Studio Limited was mentioned by local Channel 8 interview and international CCTV-1& CCTV-3. We explored further collaboration with younger generation in English Forum "Space for our mental well being" Feb 2015 through indian dance re-expression with St Anthony Canossian Convent. March 2018 we created a new work Indian Raga Music & dance "Four Elements Movement" and debut at TTSH atrium well received by caregivers, patients, staff and passerby.

In 2019 October, we held two interfaith forums on World Mental Health Day. Our Guest of honor was Senior Minister of State for MCCY & MCI, Ms Sim Ann.





















Sponsor Activity/ Events Venue Sayang Sayang 2022 May **Basic Studio Connecting Arts & Mental resilience** Fund/ CFS - 2023 Nov @ The **Exploration CAMRE Workshop** 38 **Triple One** Commerze https://youtu.be/yNZ8KuTJpKY **Properties** 2019 Oct **NKF HQ** >500 Older but Wiser "Grief- Separation" **English Interfaith Forum 4** https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLHLn9bkDuHpxOSNxptCr1X1RMGSnJidGn https://www.facebook.com/pg/OlderbutwiserMind/photos/?tab=album&album_id=2634026736620143 2019 Oct Older but Wiser "A Smooth Departure" NKF HQ >500 **English interfaith Forum 3**

MCCY Harmony Fund/ NKF/ **Cultural Matching Fund/ Triple One Properties TOP/** Tan Ean Kiam Foundation/ Public

https://www.facebook.com/pg/OlderbutwiserMind/photos/?tab=album&album_id=2632406476782169 **2019 June International Conference for Cohesive Raffles City** >7000

Societies ICCS presenting "Wind Element" Ballrooms

https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLHLn9bkDuHpwcKRvsrooqzFlqkKzcDfBm

MCCY/RSIS

from "Four Elements Movement" https://youtu.be/QNIj Toha8Y

https://www.facebook.com/pg/OlderbutwiserMind/photos/?tab=album&album_id=2401428689879950

> 100

Triple One

Properties

Triple One

Properties Pte

Piano Master

OBW Activities/Events Attendance Sponsor Venue "Four Elements Movement" at Singapore General Hospital SGH 中央医 2018 Dec

https://www.theveryquietstudio.asia/re-expressions https://www.facebook.com/pg/OlderbutwiserMind/photos/?tab=album&album_id=2105796219443200

Triple One **Properties TOP** 老人悟《老不成荫》华语座谈会 3 2018 Oct >300 NKF HQ /Tan Ean Kiam https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLHLn9bkDuHpwg3vJbsjVmhfs0Pn_fW7Kt Foundation / https://www.facebook.com/pg/OlderbutwiserMind/photos/?tab=album&album_id=2105739389448883 NAC/Artsfund/ Bengawan 2018 Mar Original works "Four Elements Movement" TTSH >1000 Solo /Angel 陈笃生医院 debut at Tan Tock Seng Hospital Donor/NKF https://youtu.be/tldnlfZTuh8

老人悟《老不得空》华语座谈会 -巫쨹丽 2017 NKF HQ >45 million "梁祝"钢琴曲演奏风靡中国 https://youtu.be/c4YzLPXyV6w https://v.qq.com/x/page/o0384qeeaj8.html

Pte Ltd TOP/ NKF Older but Wiser Photography & Paintings TTSH 2017 Feb >1000 Tan Ean 3rd Exhibition at TTSH 陈笃生医院 Kiam https://www.facebook.com/pg/OlderbutwiserMind/photos/?tab=album&album_id=1353189101370586 https://www.theveryquietstudio.asia/publications Foundation / NAC/ 2017 Feb Older but Wiser "Space of our Mental NKF HQ <40 Artsfund/

Well Being" English Forum 2 Piano Master

https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLHLn9bkDuHpzNbC 9ruLjGqwQvXUogJdA

https://www.theveryquietstudio.asia/fourelementsmovement

老人悟《老不得空》华语座谈会 2 **NKF HQ** >8 Million 2017 Feb https://www.facebook.com/pg/OlderbutwiserMind/photos/?tab=album&album_id=1361891390500357 https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLHLn9bkDuHpwsUB4H39L4n6a0tbrraSvz

Ltd/ NKF / **Nparks** 2015 Dec Older but Wiser Photography & Paintings FortCanning >100 The Foothills 2nd Exhibition at Fortcanning Park Tan Ean Kiam 福康宁 Foundation / https://www.theveryquietstudio.asia/publications NAC/ Artsfund/

老人悟《老不沉重》华语座谈会 1 **NKF HQ** >200 2015 Dec https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLHLn9bkDuHpy4ut-lzrA3bottcG4hz4Ob https://www.facebook.com/pg/OlderbutwiserMind/photos/? tab=album&album_id=1086470074709158

2014 Jan **TVQS Older but Wiser 1st Exhibition** NLB >300 Lee Foundation/ on Singapore Street Elderly B/W **Central Library National** film photography 中央图书馆 https://www.theveryquietstudio.asia/publications Library/ **Green Lake** 2014 Jan Older but Wiser "Elderly Happiness **NLB** Resources /

& Dignity" English Forum 1 **Central Library** 叶美皇 https://soundcloud.com/theveryquietstudio69/sets/english-forum-elderly

Our Work: Programmes and Activities

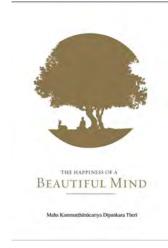
Publications: https://www.theveryquietstudio.asia/publications

Publications:

Book publication 2nd Project started 2008 May with Khoon Chee Vihara commissioning of buddhist mahayana Master Ven Cihang's writing on《成难识论讲记》(https://www.theveryquietstudio.asia/dhammabooks) to be published as Ebooks in simple Chinese Text format by 2010.

The second commissioning is buddhist meditation master Maha Sadhamna Jotikadhaja, Mahā kammaṭṭhānācariya Daw Dipankara Theri's book "The Happiness of a Beautiful Mind" (www.issuu.com/tvqs) in 2014 which has since been translated to Indonesian, Chinese 《喜满禅心》, Korean and two more languages to come. It is available in printed and ebook format.

Another ebook publication is "Glimpses of Light" 《例影之心》 https://issuu.com/tvqs/docs/obw-ebook-050617_final that collects photography, paintings, poems and translations of our first 2 years "Older But Wiser" projects. We await an opportunity to market the ebook.







https://issuu.com/tvqs

《例影之心》 Glimpses of Light-The following e-book is a compilation of past Older but Wiser events held by The Very Quiet Studio from 2015 to 2017 and works written in four main languages of contemporary Singapore with English translations.

Older but Wiser seeks to preserve and promote our intangible heritage.

老人悟 - 《侧影之心》 - 电子书

这是静境镜自2015年至2017年主办"老人悟"的活动汇集电子书。此书包含新加坡四种主要语言并附有英文翻译。

"老人悟"希望保留并提倡亚洲非物质文化遗产对精神建构的重要性。

Year	Publications	Author	Print	Sponsor
2017-2020 https://issuu.com/	《例影之心》 Glimpses of Light /tvqs/docs/obw-ebook-050617_final	Various	E Book	NAC and more
2020	Digital Orchid Painting Exhibition at Gardens by the Bay	Various	Digital Display	Gardens by the Bay
2015-2020 https://www.thev	《喜 満禅心》(禅学) veryquietstudio.asia/dhamma-books	燃灯大禅师 (上座部长老尼)	> 9500 & ebook	International donors /TVQS
2014-2020	The Happiness of a Beautiful Mind (meditation)	Mahā Kammaṭṭhān- ācariya Dipankara Theri	>6000 & ebook	International donors /TVQS
2008- 2010 https://www.thev	《成难识论讲记》 《十二门论》 《相宗十讲》 veryquietstudio.asia/dhamma-books	Ven. Cihang 慈航大和尚讲解	e-book	Khoon Chee Vihara 观意精舍 (新加坡)

Our Work: Programmes and Activities

Sound Sañña: https://www.theveryquietstudio.asia/sound-sanna

Sound Sañña



Sound Sañña is TVQSL 3rd project that began in 2008 Dec. As an ardent lover to good stories and asian cultural wisdom hidden and embedded in literary works, Sound Sañña sets to identify and sieve out the noble minerals hidden in the cracks of rocks. Asian stories as the main focus but enhanced through cinematic audio and story choreographed music, through the sound recording of exceptional good voice. The inaugural CD was launched in Salt Lake City, Utah USA at World Parliament of Religions Oct 2015 and a paper on the concept was well received at World People'e Organization "International Conference on Spirituality & Psychology" at Bangkok March 2016. The next collection of stories shall be in Chinese to be targeted at wider international audience but we are still seeking funds https://youtu.be/XFABXceZ35I

Year	Event	Production	Print	Sponsorship

2023 Asanga II Audio Cinematic remake CMF

2021-2022 Mousetrap 老鼠器 Chinese Stories CMF 2nd CD in progress

2015 Oct Launching Story Kasina CD Marketing Private Donors at 6th Parliament of World

Religions at Salt Lake City https://www.theveryquietstudio.asia/sound-sanna https://youtu.be/XFABXceZ35I

2015 Mar "International Conference on Spirituality & Psychology" in Bangkok

https://www.theveryquietstudio.asia/pilot-cd-story-kasina

2008-2015 New Genre Creation Audiocinema Project – Sound Sanna on Asia Stories

亚洲声像故事计划 (6 Stories) https://www.theveryquietstudio.asia/asia-stories 2000 CD

陈弈福、释空亿、 黄卫众、王振辉 Lee Kum Chew



TVQS Timeline: Overview (click picture/links to view) OBW 1st interfaith forum " A Smooth OBW 2nd English **Book Publication Book Publication** @TTSH Atrium 《点灯小时间》 of "The Happiness of "The Happiness forum "Space for Four Elements of a Beautiful our Mental Well "照猫画虎" of a Beautiful Movement debut Departure" Mind"(Meditation) Mind" translation Being" 《喜满禅心》 10/10 BEAUTIFUL MIND **OBW 1st Chinese** OBW 2nd Chinese OBW 3rd Chinese OBW 2nd **OBW 1st English** forum "Elderly forum 《老不沉 forum 《老不得 forum 《老不成 interfaith forum " 空》; 巫漪丽老师 Happiness & 荫》 Grief-Separation" 生的泉源》 再现《梁祝》钢 Dignity" 琴演奏 86岁巫漪丽 修?》 2014 2015 2017 2018 2019 2020 @TTSH "Older @SGH Concourse @NLB @ Nparks International A tribute to "Older but Wiser" but Wiser" Film Four Elements Conference for Fortcanning Hill **Singapore** Film photography The Foothills photography & Movement Cohesive Societies Healthcare "Older but Wiser" - TVQS Wind 1st Exhibition Paintings workers Opencall "Street Elderly" Film photography 3rd Exhibition Element & Paintings "Local Street Performance 2nd Exhibition Elderly"; Orchid Resilience "Local Street Workshop with Elderly" painters

















《禅学》第一集 《禅学是心灵卫





- Digital Display at Gardens by the Bay





Salt Lake City

Publication of Story Kasina CD;

Launching of CD at 6th Parliament of World Religions at

"Glimpses of Light" 2014-2017 OBW Publication in production

庄子《知北游》 杨帆演说、王言 演奏



5 Elements Movement - Space Element Song & Lotus on Fire Song, completion

"Glimpses of Light" Publication





TVQS Timeline: Overview (click picture/links to view)

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Governance

NOTES

The Very Quiet Studio Ltd is a charity with gross annual receipts or total expenditure of not more than \$50,000.

Term Limit of Board

All members of the board are renominated in 2023 in accordance of Code of Governance.

Board Meetings and Attendance

A total of one Board meeting and one AGM were held during the financial year. The following sets out the individual Board member's attendance at the meetings:

AGM Date: 26 June 2024 General Meeting: 2 Dec 2023

Names of Board members	% of attendances
Ng Wei Chin	100%
Leong Lai San	100%
Ghanavenothan Retnam	100%
Huang JinYi Elizabeth	100 %

Disclosure of Remuneration and Benefits received by Board Members

No Board members are remunerated for their Board services in the financial year except for Executive Director. The Board has agreed to let the Youtube advertisement revenue full amount be paid as Consultant fee to Ng Wei Chin, as long as there is a continuous revenue.

Names of Board members	Amount of remuneration and benefits for the financial year 2023 (\$)
Ng Wei Chin (Exe. Director capacity)	S\$ 12874