# **Louis Kwok**

# Woodworker, Photographer, Artist

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### Skills

Woodworking - Fine Furniture, box-making, marquetry, veneering, wood-turning, french polishing, lacquerwork.

Photography - Commercial, Documentary, Lifestyle, Studio, Lifestyle

### **Experience**

### **Kjungwoodwork** ● Designer / Maker

January 2012 - Present, Singapore & Taiwan

Designer / Maker trained in the United Kingdom at Peter Sefton Furniture School and subsequently underwent professional training at Atelier Lacroix Marrec in traditional marquetry techniques. Creates bespoke fine furniture and occasional objects.

### **Lou.is the Photographer** ● Photographer

2004 - present, Singapore

Freelance commercial photographer working mainly for corporate clientele in advertising, studio and lifestyle portraiture, documentary, travel and sports. Local stringer for AFP - Agence France-Presse and Die Zeit.

### Singapore Airlines • Cabin Crew

Jan 2005 - December 2011, Singapore

Cabin crew for Singapore Airlines serving in both Business Class and Economy Class

### **Education**

# **Tainan National University of The Arts /** Graduate School of Applied Arts (Wood)

September 2024 - Current, Taiwan

Current student of the MA programme in the Graduate Institute of Applied Arts with wood as the main medium.

### School of Film and Media Studies, Ngee Ann Polytechnic /

### Diploma in Mass Communications

1999 - 2002, Singapore

Majored in Photojournalism, Television and Radio Production,

# **Woodworking Training**

### 王威棋 / 生漆塗裝班 (Traditional lacquer)

Apr 2023 - Nov 2023, Taiwan

Lessons in lacquer preparation and application onto wood material.

#### Atelier Lacroix Marrec / Un stage, traditional marquetry

Oct 2018, Nov 2023 France

Internship training by Eric Lehuede and Martin Delepine in the craft of traditional marquetry. Piece-by-piece and boulle techniques.

#### **Andrew Craford** / Box Making

Nov 2015, United Kingdom

Lessons with Andrew Crawford in box making, inlays and hinge fitting.

# **Peter Sefton Furniture School** / Furniture Design and Maker 24 week course.

September 2013 - Mar 2014, United Kingdom

Completed the 24 week furniture makers course under the tutelage of Peter Sefton and Sean Feeney, including distinctions in hand skills, wood machining, design realisation, construction and material technology.

#### **ACROGE Furniture** / Japanese hand tools

June 2013, Japan

Lessons with Kuniaki Kishi in basic Japanese hand tools.

### Hou Meng Hsien / Basic woodworking

Jan 2013 - Sep 2013

Lessons by Hou Meng Hsien in basic joinery with Western hand tools.

#### **Awards**

# Maker of the Year Awards ● World category / Highly Commended Certificate - Metamorphic Folio Display 2024, Australia

# Maker of the Year Awards ● World category / Highly

Commended Certificate - Tropicana

2023, Australia

# **Artist Residency**

# National Library Board (Singapore) / Woodworking Unplugged, library@orchard

May 2019 - Aug 2019, Singapore

# **Group Exhibition**

### 時/間/應用藝術研究所聯展

07 Jun -20 Jun 2025, 台南藝術大學南書房, Taiwan

### 彫塑家具/Sculpture Furniture

19 Apr - 08 Jun 2025, 漢寶德記念館, Taiwan

#### 混搭/

10 May -20 May 2025, 新北市藝文中心, Taiwan

### MSHU/The Showcase

Dec 2015

National Design Centre, Singapore

### Mi Casa Su Casa/Mi Casa Su Casa

June 2013

Private Gallery, Singapore