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## **BRANDON TAY** (b. 1981, Singapore)

Brandon Tay is a Shanghai based Singaporean artist whose work explores emergent complexities in digital materials. Starting out as a prominent figure in Singapore's underground audio-visual scene, he has more recently expanded his practice into one that explores the shifting boundaries between technology, fiction, and material form. Working through sculpture, simulation, and moving images, he creates objects which blur distinctions between system and symbol - between what we know and what we imagine.

In his practice, he complicates distinctions between the tangible and incorporeal, both in composition and well as subject matter, often looking into thematics surrounding the relationships between history and futurity, digital materiality, and contemporary philosophies. Brandon views digital materials as irreducible components that combine dynamically to create a more complex whole. Working with diverse components, whether fragments of 3D geometry, prompt tokens or 3D avatars of human beings, he combines these with out-of-context factors — such as doom-scrolling induced trance states, automatic writing, game physics and the likes — to simulate something that feels larger than its parts in unpredictable ways.

As a collaborator and individually, his work has been shown at major international platforms such as the Singapore Biennale, National Communication Museum in Melbourne, Transmediale in Berlin, Art Dubai, Frieze Seoul, tanzhaus nrw Düsseldorf, Kyoto Dance Experiment, Singapore International Festival of the Arts and M1 Fringe Festival Singapore.

## **EDUCATION**

2006	Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology, Bachelor of Fine Arts (Media Arts)
2000	Ngee Ann Polytechnic, Diploma in Film Sound & Video

## **SOLO EXHIBITIONS**

2026	<i>Sangkalan</i> , commissioned by the Singapore Art Museum for the National Library Board libraries
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- 2025 *Hex State Server*, curated by Institution of Niche x Rafi Abdullah, Square Street Gallery, Hong Kong
- 2023 *Form & Agency*, curated by Rafi Abdullah, Yeo Workshop, Singapore

## GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2025 *Singapore Biennale: pure intention*, curated by Duncan Bass, Singapore Art Museum, Singapore.
- Friend*, curated by Jemimah Widdicombe, National Communication Museum, Melbourne, Australia
- 2024 *A Semester of Bits & Atoms*, curated by Filippo Rosati, Transmedia Research Institute, Fano, Italy
- Boundary Iconology*, curated by Mandus Ridefelt and Claire Glanois, IT University, Copenhagen, Denmark
- The archivist augurs, the larper dreams*, curated by Aaditya Sathish, Square Street Gallery, Hong Kong
- Open Systems 2.0*, curated by To New Entities, Singapore Art Museum, online
- Art Dubai 2024, presented by Yeo Workshop, Madinat Jumeirah Conference & Events Centre, Dubai, United Arab Emirates.
- 2023 *A Shared Room*, curated by Priti Mahajan, Art Dubai Digital 2023, Dubai, United Arab Emirates.
- Backroads*, curated by Hilary Yeo, Endless Return and Refraction DAO, Kuala Lumpur.
- 2022 *Backroads*, curated by Hilary Yeo, Endless Return and Refraction DAO, Kuala Lumpur.
- Inhuman Ecstasies- Solidarities with the Technosentiences to Come*, curated by Bras Basah Open, Kult Gallery, Singapore
- 2021 *Only Losers Left Alive* curated by Louis Ho, Yeo Workshop, Singapore.

2017 *Cannot be bo(a)rdered*, curated by Iman Ismail, L'Espace Commines, Paris.

## SELECTED COMMISSIONS

2022 *EGREGORE*, Cake Theatre Singapore, Singapore  
*non-breaking spaces*, Singapore International Festival of the Arts, Singapore

2021 *Demon States*, Singapore International Festival of the Arts, Singapore

2019 *The Land Above*, Singapore Night Festival 2019, Singapore

2018 *Anticipation of One*, Singapore International Festival of the Arts, Singapore

2015 *Typology*, Singapore Inside Out, Beijing, London, New York City, Singapore

*Gohead Gostan*, National Museum of Singapore, Singapore

## SELECTED RESIDENCIES

2024 *Medialab Matadero LAB #03- Synthetic Minds*, Medialab Matadero, Madrid

*A Semester of Bits and Atoms*, Transmedia Research Institute, Fano

## SELECTED COLLABORATIONS

2024 *Hulubalang X Brandon Tay*, in collaboration with Hulubalang, Fiber Festival, Bimhuis, Amstersdam, Netherlands

*Hulubalang X Brandon Tay*, in collaboration with Hulubalang, SOFT CENTRE, State Library of Victoria, Melbourne, Australia

*Gabber Modus Operandi X Brandon Tay*, in collaboration with Gabber Modus Operandi, Now or Never Festival, Royal Exhibition Building, Melbourne, Australia

2023 *Rubber Mermaid's Escape Room*, in collaboration with Betty Apple, Vector by Dance Nucleus, Esplanade, Singapore

2022

*RATA: new grounds new sounds*, in collaboration with RATA Orkestra, Esplanade, Singapore

*Palimpsest*, in collaboration with William Chan, Night Festival Singapore 2022, Singapore

2021

*Cosmic Wander: Yishun is Burning*, in collaboration with Choy Ka Fai, Singapore Art Museum, Singapore

2019

*Unbearable Darkness*, in collaboration with Choy Ka Fai, Kyoto Dance Experiment, Kyoto

## SELECTED PRESS

- 2024 Sarah Swan, 'The Exploding Chameleon', Galleries West, April 2024
- Xue, 'How do we manifest our way out of boring futures (and boring art)?', 11xue11 Substack, February 2024
- 2023 Dana Dawud, 'Brandon Tay' Coeval Magazine, November 2023
- Clara Peh. 'What's Next for Digital Art?', Grazia, March 2023
- Nadya Wang. 'Review of Art Dubai', Art & Market, March 2023
- 2022 Sabiq Rafid. 'Anise and Brandon Tay talk apocalyptic digital exhibition Non-Breaking Space at SIFA 2022, melding new tech with artistic curiosity', Hear65, April 2022
- Sheryl Gwee 'Lite Bytes to +EAT with SIFA's Life Profusion', Plural Art, June 2022
- 2020 so-far and CLOT Magazine. 'In conversation: Jamie de los Rios & Brandon Tay discuss the meaning of new physicalities', CLOT Magazine, June 2020
- Keng Yang Shuen. 'Media Artist Brandon Tay Creates Surreal Animations Adapted From His Dreams', Female, October 2020
- 2019 Anandita Thakur. 'Brandon Tay's Facade: Digitalised Reflections and the Urban Anthropomorphic', The Curator Mag, February, 2019