

# GIANNA CHUN CHEOK TONG

photo-based artist

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## EDUCATION

Maryland Institute College of Art (MICA), Baltimore, MD

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Photography, Bachelor of Fine Arts - Magna Cum Laude

Objectifs - Centre for Photography and Film, Singapore

selected for Shooting Home Youth Awards Programme

2020-21

## EXPERIENCE

*Freelance Photographer*

With a focus in fashion and beauty through supporting people of colour, clients include up and coming clothing designers, graphic designers, sculptors and artists. As well as producing content for consulting companies, restaurants and more.

*Intern - Marketing and Creative Intern, National University of Singapore (NUS) Information Technology, Singapore, 2020*

Kick-started NUS IT's video communication series, connecting students, staff and faculty to new apps, projects and updates made for the the non-profit. Focused on marketing video production, from conception to creation. Created a portfolio of photographs for the department and portraits for all directors.

*Intern - Digital Engagement, National Museum of Women in the Arts, Washington D.C., 2019*

The National Museum of Women in the Arts is the only major museum in the world championing for women in the arts. Created, researched and wrote content for their website, Instagram, Twitter and Facebook, digitally archived artwork and photographed weekly Gallery Talks and more.

*Intern - Visual Director and Photographer, AIE, Finland and Croatia, 2019-present*

AIE is an all-natural luxury skincare brand based in Europe. Tasks include building their visual image, photography for official brand materials, digital and print and image editing.

*Diversity Coordinator Programmer, Centre for Identity and Inclusion, MICA, 2019-2020*

With a focus on international students, through programming, the position advocates, supports and give space to marginalized students in the MICA community. Including curated and installed exhibitions, round-table discussions and more.

*Wilgus Gallery, MICA, 2018-2020*

Wilgus Gallery is the only student run gallery on MICA's campus. Housed in the photography department, this student run gallery focuses on highlighting photography and connected mixed media art forms in a space of traditional fine art. From curating, installing to working with artists one-on-one.

*Marketing Manager, Asian Student Alliance, MICA 2018-2020*

Asian Student Alliance shares the diversity of Asian culture within the MICA community through social events and community support. Marketing Manager encompasses the utilization of all social media platforms and general marketing.

## INVOLVEMENT

MICA

- Desk Assistant, Residence life
- Community Arts and Service, community site leader for The Pride Center of Maryland and Baltimore Youth Arts
- Student Voice Association Academic Affairs, photography department representative
- Student Affairs Committee of the Board of Trustees, undergraduate international student representative

- Selected speaker for the Open House Student Panel
- Selected speaker for the Scholarship Donor Student Exhibition
- Nominated for the MICA Leadership Awards, 2019 and 2021
- Orientation Leader

## AWARDS + GRANTS

### MICA

- Pre-College Scholarship '17-'20
- Academic Excellence Scholarship '17-'20
- Creative Vision Award '17-'20
- Distinguished International Student Award '18-'19, '20-'21
- Dean's List '18-'21
- Meyerhoff Internship Fellowship summer '19
- Photography Departmental Recognition Award '19-'20

- Maryland Photographic Society Scholarship '19-'20
- Faculty and Staff Queer Alliance (FASQA) LGBTQI+ Award '20

- Jan Meyer '87 Photography Traveling Fellowship, '21

### National Museum of Women in the Arts

- Elizabeth Stafford Hutchinson Endowed Internship summer '19

## EXHIBITIONS

solo show

### Q&A

MICA Pinkard Gallery, Baltimore MD, '20

(Due to COVID-19, the exhibition was moved to an online platform)

selection, group exhibition

*Look Beyond (participated as an invited artist, three month collaborative exhibition)*

*Ewha Womans University, Seoul, Korea, '21*

### *Fluid Spaces*

Gillman Barracks, Singapore '21

### *Shooting Home Youth Awards*

Objectifs - Centre for Photography and Film, Singapore, '21

### *We Are Everywhere*

In conjunction with the AK/OK Collective, Fox 2 Gallery, MICA, '20

### *Expose, Disclose*

Terrault Gallery, Baltimore, MD, '20

### *Undergraduate Juried Exhibition (Juried)*

MICA Meyerhoff Gallery, Baltimore, MD, '19

(Juried by Blair Murphy, Curator of Exhibitions at Arlington Arts Center in Arlington and Carlyn Thomas, Director of Terrault Gallery, Baltimore)

### *Accumulation (Juried)*

MICA Decker Library, Baltimore, MD, '18

### *Identity: What's Your Story? (Juried)*

MICA Main O Gallery, Baltimore, MD, '18

### *Banana Art Exhibition (Juried)*

Art Depot 798, Beijing, China, '17

## PUBLICATION

*Shooting home: What 'home' means to these young photographers*, Straights Times, newspaper feature, '21

*LUST, Killer And A Sweet Thang and It's Not Personal*, zine, '18