## galleries gal

## The Sovereign Art Foundation at H Queen's

WEDNESDAY, MAY 8, 2024, 1:00 PM -THURSDAY, MAY 16, 2024, 6:00 PM

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The Sovereign Art Foundation (SAF) announced the 30 artists shortlisted for The 2024 Sovereign Asian Art Prize. This year marks the 20th anniversary of Asia's most coveted award in contemporary art. As well as providing artists with international recognition, The Prize raises substantial funds to support SAF's Make It Better (MIB) programme, which has been providing **expressive arts workshops for children living in Hong Kong's most disadvantaged communities** since 2013.

The finalist artworks were shortlisted from 362 entries by 171 artists, nominated into The Prize by 55 independent professionals. The finalists themselves hail from **15 countries and regions across Asia-Pacific**, with Hong Kong being the most strongly represented with 9 artists shortlisted. **Nearly two-thirds of the shortlisted artists are women**, a first for the Prize. The full list of finalists can be viewed overleaf or by clicking here. Notable Prize alumni include **Etsu Egami, Rashid Rana, Lindy Lee, Yang Yongliang, Adrian Wong, Chow Chun Fai, Qi Zhilong, Stephen Wong, Alvin Ong, Rithika Merchant, and Alex Seton.** 

The 30 finalists' artworks will be shown and can be voted on, both in person and online, during a free public exhibition at H Queen's in Central from 8-16 May 2024. Younger visitors can explore the exhibition's key themes with a special self-guided activity, developed by SAF's experienced art therapists and programme facilitators to promote family bonding and self-discovery through art.

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