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2025 Annual Report

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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 self-awakening 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 5 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:

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Website

<https://theveryquietstudio.asia>

Leadership

Council

Governing Board:

Name	Current Charity Board Appointment	Occupation	Past Charity Board Appointments
Ng Wei Chin	Founder, Board Director, Secretary &- 8 YW2016	Exe Director TVQS; Director of Light Carriage Productions	Board Member 16 Nov 2016
Leong Lai San	Board Director 28 May 2021	Urban Planner	
Dr. Sri Ghanavenothan Retnam	Board Director 1 June 2020	Bhaskar's Arts Academy Music Director	
Wong Chin Ye Elizabeth	Board Member	IT Manager	Board Member 16 Nov 2016
Tng Siok Keng	Board Director, Treasurer 15 April 2026	Speech Therapist	

Highlights of the Year

2025 Online and offline Works



Video extract of Five Elements Movement at WHC"



We invited St Nicholas Secondary Girls' School choir and Ms Lim Ai Hooi as our acapella songs' conductor"



TVQS created & organized Five Elements Movement performance at the invitation of Renci@Woodlands nursing home. We presented on 21 Nov 2025 2pm to about 150 audience, ranging from staff & patients to foreign workers.



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Summary Financial Performance

- Total Income: \$ 67' *)
- Total Expenditure: \$* ++(')
- Five Elements Movement performed for Renci@Woodlands at Woodlands Health' Campus Site to a audience comprising of hospital staff and outpatients, besides' nursing home residents.
- Ongoing Sound Sanna Project on story of Ven. HuiNeng.

Grants & Collaborators

- Cultural Matching Fund recipient for 2025 with \$17900 matched.
- NAC, Toteboard Artsfund, Charities Capability Fund CCF - Gov grant
- Triple One Properties, Tan Ean Kiam Foundation, Individual donors



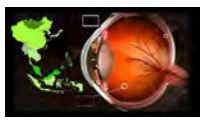
Our Work: Programmes and Activities

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

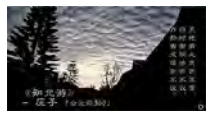
Productions :



Documentary film Production work was TVQSL 1st Project mandate in 2007. It began when Buddhist Library Singapore engaged and commissioned Director Ng Wei Chin to make donors a simple presentation on their Asia 2004 Tsunami Rebuilding Sri Lanka Hambantota Charity Work. (<https://youtu.be/MqiQD3hTX0E>) It took about 1 year from 2006, that the final cut was presented and distributed to donors who supported in the aid. Since then, later film production works continued with meditation related talks and dhamma propagation video. Despite local organizations lacking in support and understanding to media & creativity, TVQS continued in the background work for more than 14 years since 2005.



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, experienced 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.



Since Covid started 2020, TVQS has produced 3 videos on meditation guidance, 2020 & 2024

Meditation Video (Chinese) Episode 1-3



禅学第三集：禅学背后的“心法”



禅学 第二集：在家里如何禅修？



禅学 第一集：禅学是心灵卫生的泉源

Year	Program	Donors	Copyright
2024	禅学第三集：禅学背后的“心法” https://youtu.be/uORQNJXWATw	Public donors & CMF	TVQS/NWC
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/mshtSWmfJDA	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



“Old But Wiser” or “老人悟” started in 2013, before the 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 巫漪丽 piano concerto on 《梁祝》 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.





Date	Activities	Venue	Participants	Sponsor
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2025 21 Nov	Five Elements Movement performance for Renci@Woodlands Nursing Home at Woodlands Health Campus www.theveryquietstudio.asia/5em	Woodlands Health Campus	150-220	NAC/ Artsfund TOP/ TEK Foundation
2024 12 Oct	《老人悟》2024 之 静心艺力 座谈会 Old but Wiser Chinese Forum https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLHLn9bkDuHpwGF8jm0O04zU-RYnurXafV	Singpost Auditorium	242	TOP/TEK/EKS/CMF Private/Public donors
2022 May - 2023 Nov	Connecting Arts & Mental resilience Exploration CAMRE Workshop https://youtu.be/yNZ8KuTJpKY	Basic Studio @ The Commerze	38	Sayang Sayang Fund/ CFS Triple One Properties
2019 Oct	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	NKF HQ	>500	MCCY Harmony Fund/ NKF/ Cultural Matching Fund/ Triple One Properties
2019 Oct	Older but Wiser “A Smooth Departure” English interfaith Forum 3 https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLHLn9bkDuHpwckRvrsrooqzFlqkKzcDfBm https://www.facebook.com/pg/OlderbutwiserMind/photos/?tab=album&album_id=2632406476782169	NKF HQ	>500	Tan Ean Kiam Foundation/ Public

OBW	Activities/Events	Venue	Attendance	Sponsor
2019 June	International Conference for Cohesive Societies ICCS presenting "Wind Element"	Raffles City Ballroom	>7000	MCCY/RSIS
	https://youtu.be/QNIj_ToHa8Y https://www.facebook.com/pg/OlderbutwiserMind/photos/?tab=album&album_id=2401428689879950			
2018 Dec	"Four Elements Movement" at Singapore General Hospital	SGH 中央医院	> 100	Triple One Properties TOP /Tan Ean Kiam Foundation / NAC/Artsfund/ Bengawan Solo /Angel Donor/NKF
	https://www.theveryquietstudio.asia/re-expressions https://www.facebook.com/pg/OlderbutwiserMind/photos/?tab=album&album_id=2105796219443200			
2018 Oct	老人悟《老不成荫》华语座谈会 3	NKF HQ	>300	
	https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLHLn9bkDuHpwg3vJbsjVmhfs0Pn_fw7Kt https://www.facebook.com/pg/OlderbutwiserMind/photos/?tab=album&album_id=2105739389448883			
2018 Mar	Original works "Four Elements Movement" debut at Tan Tock Seng Hospital	TTSH 陈笃生医院	>1000	
	https://youtu.be/tldnlfZTuh8 https://www.theveryquietstudio.asia/fourelementsmovement			
2017	老人悟《老不得空》华语座谈会 -巫漪丽 "梁祝"钢琴曲演奏风靡中国	NKF HQ	>45 million	
	https://youtu.be/c4YzLPXyV6w https://v.qq.com/x/page/o0384qeeaj8.html			Triple One Properties Pte Ltd TOP/ NKF Tan Ean Kiam Foundation / NAC/ Artsfund/ Piano Master
2017 Feb	Older but Wiser Photography & Paintings 3rd Exhibition at TTSH	TTSH 陈笃生医院	>1000	
	https://www.facebook.com/pg/OlderbutwiserMind/photos/?tab=album&album_id=1353189101370586 https://www.theveryquietstudio.asia/publications			
2017 Feb	Older but Wiser "Space of our Mental Well Being" English Forum 2	NKF HQ	<40	
	https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLHLn9bkDuHpwg3vJbsjVmhfs0Pn_fw7Kt			
2017 Feb	老人悟《老不得空》华语座谈会 2	NKF HQ	>8 Million	
	https://www.facebook.com/pg/OlderbutwiserMind/photos/?tab=album&album_id=1361891390500357 https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLHLn9bkDuHpwg3vJbsjVmhfs0Pn_fw7Kt			Triple One Properties Pte Ltd/ NKF / Nparks Tan Ean Kiam Foundation / NAC/ Artsfund/ Piano Master
2015 Dec	Older but Wiser Photography & Paintings 2nd Exhibition at Fortcanning Park	FortCanning The Foothills 福康宁	>100	
	https://www.theveryquietstudio.asia/publications			
2015 Dec	老人悟《老不沉重》华语座谈会 1	NKF HQ	>200	
	https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLHLn9bkDuHpy4ut-lzrA3bottcG4hz40b https://www.facebook.com/pg/OlderbutwiserMind/photos/?tab=album&album_id=1086470074709158			
2014 Jan	TVQS Older but Wiser 1st Exhibition on Singapore Street Elderly B/W film photography	NLB Central Library 中央图书馆	>300	Lee Foundation/ National Library/ Green Lake Resources / 叶美皇
	https://www.theveryquietstudio.asia/publications			
2014 Jan	Older but Wiser "Elderly Happiness & Dignity" English Forum 1	NLB Central Library		
	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 《成唯识论讲记》 (<https://www.theveryquietstudio.asia/dhamma-books>) 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" 《侧影之心》 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.





《侧影之心》 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/tvqs/docs/obw-ebook-050617_final	《侧影之心》 Glimpses of Light	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.theveryquietstudio.asia/dhamma-books	《喜满禅心》(禅学)	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 Kammatṭhān-ācariya Dipankara Theri	>6000 & ebook	International donors /TVQS
2008- 2010 https://www.theveryquietstudio.asia/dhamma-books https://issuu.com/tvqs	《成唯识论讲记》 《十二门论》 《相宗十讲》	Ven. Cihang 慈航大和尚讲解	e-book	Khoon Chee Vihara 现慈精舍 (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 2nd CD in progress		CMF
2015 Oct	Launching Story Kasina at 6th Parliament of World Religions at Salt Lake City	CD Marketing		Private Donors
	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)		2000 CD	陈弃福、释空化、黄卫众、王振辉 Lee Kum Chew
	https://www.theveryquietstudio.asia/asia-stories			

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

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<p>2021</p>	<p>2022</p>	<p>2022</p>	<p>2023</p>	<p>2024</p>	<p>2025</p>
<p>5EM entered for international film festivals and was awarded at Tokyo Film Awards Honorable Mention; Bhutan International Film Festival as Outstanding Film, it won in 2023 Tagore International Film Festival Outstanding Film and Swedish Academy of Motion Picture Award as Best Film on Religion</p>  		<p>The 4th workshop has Raga conducted by Dr Ghanavenothan Retnam followed by meditation conducted by WeiChin. Plus another separate session with only meditation.</p> 		 <p>Sound Sanna continues with Platform Sutra 6th Patriarch Ven. HuiNeng Story.</p>	
					

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: 28 May 2025

General Meeting: 18 Jan 2026

Names of Board members	% of attendances
Ng Wei Chin	100%
Leong Lai San	100%
Ghanavenothan Retnam	100%
Tng Siok Keng	100 % (Appointed after 15 April 2026)
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 2025 (\$)
Ng Wei Chin (Exe. Director capacity)	S\$ 16000