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Guest Lecture

Ms Pearl Gan

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Invisible Faces of Malaria

Friday, February 16, 2018 | 11:00 am to 12:00 pm

Lecture Hall 2



About Speaker:

Pearl Gan is a Singaporean photographer. She spent most of her adult years in Australia and completed her postgraduate studies at Murdoch University. Pearl majored in English Literature. Her photographs are mainly documentary and portraiture style. She based her photographic art on her eye for composition and what she sees in her daily life both at home and abroad. She enjoys travelling and talking to the communities she photographs; learning about their culture and listening to their stories.

One of her photographs in this Malaria project has won the third prize in the "Care Together" category in the Swiss Malaria Photography Contest in April 2017 and was exhibited in Geneva, Switzerland. Her article "Picturing Health : Making Malaria Visible in the Asia Pacific" was also published in "The Lancet" in February 2017 along with a ten-page photo spread. This achievement had pushed the awareness for her Malaria project to new heights.

About the Project:

The "Seeing Malaria Asia Pacific Project" is photo-documenting the 'faces' of malaria; from the journey of those suffering from malaria, to the patients, their immediate families, and the community care providers. From this project, conducted over the past two years, she had come to see that people who live with malaria in the Asia-Pacific are among the least visible and isolated in this region of the world. She wanted to give them their rightful place and voice through this project.

"We hope that the collection of photographs will raise awareness of the malaria burden suffered by the inhabitants of these remote communities. It is important to help people across the world to see into these isolated and impoverished communities in Asia Pacific, and that this new "visibility" will help boost efforts to reduce the suffering." - Pearl Gan

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