

**ABOUT THE LECTURER**

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**BIOGRAPHY**

Kelvin completed his Advanced Diploma in Film Production (Directing) at Ngee Ann Polytechnic after receiving the Media Education Scheme Award from the Media Development Authority (MDA) of Singapore in 2004. His 2005 short film "More Than Words", a tribute to the late Asian songstress Teresa Teng, has been officially invited to be screened and compete at international film festivals around the world including Italy, Germany, Canada, United Kingdom, Romania and Africa. In 2006, Kelvin was awarded the Script Development Grant by the Singapore Film Commission to develop "More Than Words" into a feature film screenplay. That same year, his thesis film "Kichiro" premiered at the Beijing Film Academy at the 5th International Student Film and Video Festival to a crowd of more than 1000.

In 2010, Kelvin wrote, produced and directed "The Gang", a 32-minute mini feature which is currently being developed into a full length feature film. "The Gang" premiered at The Grand Cathay to great reviews and enjoyed a successful one-month run at Sinema Old School. It was also screened at various film festivals including "Sinema Showoff! The Fortune Cookie Collection" where it was the curator's pick, as well as the 4<sup>th</sup> La Cabina International Medium Length Film Festival of Valenci in Spain, where it was one of the official selections together with 14 other films out of a few hundred entries around the world.

Kelvin's experience as a former teacher and Head of Department (HOD) with the Ministry of Education has also shaped his desire to be a lifelong educator. This led him to become a much sought-after trainer in various film, video and media programmes, having trained students and teachers in more than 100 schools and institutions to date. Together with his pool of trainers who are also industry practitioners, they serve as a bridge between the film/media industry and

schools with relevant and practical knowledge, inspiring new blood to enter the industry and contribute to its growth.

As Managing Director of Kelvin Sng Productions, which specialises in film production, film education and artiste management, Kelvin's belief in nurturing new talents sees him signing on promising actors under his belt including Maia Lee, whose acting career was launched as a result. Kelvin also produced Chai Yee Wei's award-winning short film "My Blue Heaven", which was screened internationally in several film festivals. As Executive Producer, he has produced "The Forgotten", a mid-length film produced by Eusoff Works, the film production arm of Eusoff Hall at the National University of Singapore (NUS) and "Steadfast", another mid-length action film boasting an international cast directed by newcomers David Liu and Linus Chen. The latter received "Honourable Mention" at the Los Angeles Movie Awards 2010.

Kelvin's extensive body of works include television commercials, music videos and corporate videos. He has also worked closely with various organizations and institutions such as Singapore Media Academy, the Substation, Canon Singapore, BlackMagic Design Asia and the British Council to support and promote filmmaking in Singapore. He has curated film screenings for several organisations including Toronto-Singapore Film Festival to help promote local films abroad.

In 2011, his 45-minute mini feature "Fairytale" premiered at the 24<sup>th</sup> Singapore International Film Festival as a double bill with "The Gang" to a full house crowd at Shaw Lido, and has been commercially released on DVD by Innoform Media.

Kelvin's debut feature film "Taxi! Taxi!" starring top comedians Mark Lee and Gurmit Singh and inspired by the best seller "Diary of a Taxi Driver", was released theatrically in both Singapore and Malaysia in January 2013. It was the second highest grossing Singapore film after Jack Neo's "Ah Boys to Men 2" for 2013. Besides being a box office success, "Taxi! Taxi!" was also the first official entry from Singapore at the ASEAN International Film Festival and Awards 2013 held in Sarawak, where it also won the Special Jury Award.

Besides working on a number of upcoming feature film projects, Kelvin is also an accomplished Acting Coach, having personally trained many celebrities and actors. He is currently the Resident Trainer for the Raffles Film Society at Raffles Institution and an Associate Lecturer in music video production and new media at Singapore Raffles Music College.