## **Artist - Art Koh**

ArtKoh was an art educationist for 55 years. After his retirement in 2006, he turned his career into a hobby and started painting for his former students and charities. From his teaching experiences in technique and media usage, he evolved his own genre of painting.

His moniker, ArtKoh, was given to him by a little girl, Cming, who had been under his tutelage for years in art and had her own unique way of identifying her different teachers. The name eventually appeared in all of ArtKoh's future paintings given to his past students, who are now collecting his works for generations to come. Thus, it has been needless for ArtKoh to publicize his works.

This artwork was his first painting after completing successful bilateral Cataract Surgery under A/Professor Tze Lai of WA Eye Specialists. His inspiration drew from "seeing colours through the new lenses" inserted by A/Prof Lai. The Chinese title of the piece is a Chinese idiom to be ambitious and courageously forge ahead, not afraid of facing difficulties so as to achieve your goals. His piece is inspiring to those also requiring surgery in order to achieve a greater quality of life with better vision.