

#ART OF AWAKENING



Summary

Inspiring Woman Speaker, Co-founder & Facilitator of a thriving Visual Consultancy firm. Skilled in Visual Facilitation, Executive Development, Career Development, Coaching and LifeTransformation.

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Top Skills

Speaking
Visual Facilitation
Executive Coaching
Personal Development
Entrepreneurship

Languages

Visual (Full Professional)
English
Mandarin
Cantonese
Hokkien
Teochew

Irene Kang Hamons

**Entrepreneur
Speaker
Facilitator
Visual Leader**



Irene Kang is a committed and experienced lead facilitator, transformation speaker, and team lead at Art of Awakening. She is passionate about supporting learners to apply new skills in work and life.

After a 13 year career in the hospitality and tourism industry, cumulating in her last held position as the Head of Admissions, Youth Leaders Mentor and Chairman of School Events Committee for SHATEC (Singapore Hotel and Tourism Education Centre), Irene decided to bring her experience in training and project management, together with her lifelong passion for art and creativity, and merge with a creative thinking consultancy.

In 2011, she co-founded Art of Awakening; a communication solutions consultancy employing creative and visual thinking processes and tools to support businesses and educational environments to boost learning and clarify communications.

Irene is the President of **MotherEarth Toastmaster Club**, a Professional speaker of **Asia Professional Speaker Singapore (APSS)** and a member of **International Forum of Visual Practitioners (IFVP)**. She holds a BA in (Communication and Media Management) - University of South Australia. She is also a Work Skill Qualified Managerial Facilitator for Learning and Personal Development by WDA since April 2009, a Certified Trainer by ITE, Singapore since May 2000 and a Certified Instructor by ExecuTrain - South East Asia in September 1997. To sharpen her skills in visual thinking and visual recording, she attended the program Graphic Recording 101, as part of the annual professional development conference for visual practitioners, organized by IFVP, held in 2014 in Berlin, Germany.

Irene is a strong believer in the impact of visuals to the learning process, and would include visual learning tools as part of the learning design. Irene consistently creates opportunities for her team of visual enthuse, interns, associates, and attendees from their signature programmes, Visual Facilitation Lab, to expose to visual practise and provide them with extensive exposure to visual environment at events that contribute to their personal visual growth & community development. Some of her recent contribution includes **SG Care 2019, Speak for Change 2019, IAF Asia Conference 2014 - 2019 (Singapore, Taiwan, Seoul, Osaka, Kuala Lumpur, Guangzhou), HR Summit 2014-2017, Tedx Women 2019, Tedx Ghangi Airport Group, Tedx Singapore, Tedx Pickering Street, M2020, IxDD Singapore 2018**

She specialised in design and delivery of Corporate Workshops as well as Business & Life skills Training

Specialised in:

- 1) Goal Setting
- 2) Leadership Development
- 3) Life Skills Development
- 4) Startup Business
- 5) Visual Coaching

Corporate Workshop:

- 1) Attracting & Creating Success
- 2) Corporate Visioning & Strategising
- 3) Mind Mapping
- 4) Stepping Into New Year with Confidence
- 5) Visual Facilitation Lab
- 6) Visual Thinking

Irene delivered keynotes on the following topics:

Keynote Topics:

- 1) Commitment
- 2) Personal and Corporate Goal Setting
- 3) Resilience
- 4) Success & Confidence
- 5) Visual Facilitation
- 6) Visual Storytelling for ADHD
- 7) Visual thinking for Business Success
- 8) VUCA

Highlights of her extensive career in training include:

Senior Trainer for Management Information, International Business, Quality Service in Hospitality, Business Communication and other Business modules at SHATEC since 2000. Lead Trainer for Life Skills workshop (CET). Manager Facilitator for SHATEC Education Consultants (Hospitality Education) in China, Indonesia, Malaysia, Vietnam and South Korea from 2009 to 2012. Facilitator for Corporate creativity, mind mapping workshops with Charisma Academy and Aventis School of Management. Co-Facilitator for Visual Facilitation lab by Art of Awakening.

Key clients and projects with Art of Awakening include:

DBS Bank, Julius Baer Bank, Rolls Royce, Singapore Airlines, McKinsey, Ogilvy, Zurich, HCL, GRABEL, KMPG, MINDEF, SPORTSSG, Navita (Shanghai), Escriba (Asia), Kantar (Japan). Irene was instrumental in the management of the creative teams and various facilitators, as well as the development of visual environments and training materials, project design, execution and delivery of various visual outputs. Her visual work was featured in CNA as well as International Facilitator Association (IAF, Japan).

Irene was invited by **DUKE-NUS** as speaker for **Visual Thinking**. She was an invited Guest Speaker for **Creative Mornings (Singapore)** for May 2018 and also one of the 3 key speakers for **"Creativity in Navigating the VUCA World"** recently at **UYG2018**.

Her biggest project in 2020 is to co-create a new series of visual facilitation tools, strategies and develop a platform to mentor Individuals in goal settings and leaders in corporate planning and visioning.





SOBBAN MUNYANDY

ACE Executive Team

"While planning for the Re-launch event of the Action Community for Entrepreneurship (ACE) in September, the Art of Awakening name popped up during a discussion when we were exploring creative ways to engage the guests at our event. After a very quick conversation with Irene Kang, we got an idea of how we could incorporate both our visions visually."

With an extremely tight deadline, Irene not only managed to capture all of our visions but also put them in a visually stunning manner. We were completely bowled over by three boards which Irene put together for us and our guests were equally appreciative of Irene's work. It was our first time working with the Art of Awakening and certainly won't be the last.

ACE would like to take this opportunity to thank Irene Kang and the Art of Awakening for the brilliant work produced for the Re-Launch event. And we will be putting up all three boards on display at our new office when it is ready during the first quarter of 2015.'

Testimonials

グローバル・ファシリテーション大会 第1回

グラフィックが世界をつなぐ!
— IAF (国際ファシリテーターズ協会) のアジア大会を支えたグラフィック

2014年8月14日から15日、日本ではお盆の直前だったが、シンガポールでは熱いイベントが行われていた。それは、IAF (国際ファシリテーターズ協会) のアジア大会である。今年でアジア大会として17回になり、IAF (国際ファシリテーターズ協会) 発足から、20周年を迎えた特別なイベントでもあった。参加人数は135名、参加国は16ヶ国から、アジア大会は多国籍に富む。日本からは観客20名、職員以外では最多人数が参加し、日本人が提供するセッションは、プレカンファレンスのワークショップ1つに加え、本カンファレンスでは7つにも及び、日本のファシリテーターの存在感をアピールしていた。

来場者とのコミュニケーションを深めよう!

今回のテーマは、"Commons, Facilitating Worlds in Change"で、集まるのは7つのファシリテーターの心。会場には、参加者全員が参加するワークショップが用意されていた。仕上がりは、グラフィックが世界をつなぐ!というコンセプトで、参加者全員が参加するワークショップが用意されていた。仕上がりは、グラフィックが世界をつなぐ!というコンセプトで、参加者全員が参加するワークショップが用意されていた。

ワークショップが盛り上がる!

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シンガポール大会におけるグラフィックの役割

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TOMOHIDE OSHIMA

Facilitator, 17th IAF Asia Conference 2014

"Thank you Irene for your gorgeous graphic technique for our workshop. I was so inspired with it and I have been thinking to learn how to do it by myself. I was so excited about this picture that I changed the cover page of FB to this one! Thank you very much!"

TATSUYA YAMADA

Facilitator, 17th IAF Asia Conference 2014

"Thank you Irene for such a memorable graphic. You put the key message 'Flip' into the graphic. It's somehow planned, but it's happened with chemistry of all the participants. Every lively words and behaviors are captured in your graphic. That's so amazing!"

DUKE - NUS - Guest Speaker
"Think Visually"



Up Your Game 2018- Guest Speaker
"How to Handle Uncertainty in a VUCA World"



Creative Mornings, May 2018 - Speaker
"Commitment"



Daughters of Tomorrow - Guest Speaker
"Stepping Into New Year with Confidence"



SPARKS, Feb 2019 - Speaker
"Visual StoryTelling for ADHD"