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**Tomato Grey** is a New York-based Hong Kong-artist collective comprised of artists across disciplines. Tomato Grey is devoted to:

1. The promotion of Hong Kong Art in New York city;
2. The fostering of cultural exchange and mutual appreciation between practitioners of arts in Hong Kong and in New York;
3. The raising of awareness of the many facets of Hong Kong's creative activities, which is achieved through regular exhibitions, performances, public lectures and other cultural activities.

Tomato is neither a fruit nor a vegetable, while grey is an achromatic color. "Tomato Grey" we take to signify a state of constant flux, a gesture towards embracing, rather than rejecting, this state of constant drift. As a collective of artists from Hong Kong - a city of perpetual cultural motion - we do not believe in the act of disambiguation as a cultural strategy and artistic goal, as it leads an forged singularity of origin that is dependent upon the political climate at current. Rather, only by acknowledging the full extend of our multi-cultural, multi-national and multi-faceted heritage will then a genuine geographically-relevant artistic voice emerge. Past curatorial projects include 18 Degrees of Acclimation (2010, White Box Gallery, New York) and No Transnational: Liquid Borders and Empty Promises (2012, ISE Cultural Foundation Gallery, New York).

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**ISE Cultural Foundation Gallery** in New York was established in 1984 as a non-profit organization in order to support mostly emerging, under-represented artists and curators by providing the opportunities of exhibition in New York City, the centre of art world. ISE also aims to promote exchange of art and culture between the nations.

Since 2002, ISE has focused on the project, "Program for Emerging Curators" (PEC), which gives emerging curators an opportunity to organize their exhibition in the gallery space, approximately 2,000 square feet, in SOHO, NYC. PEC is an open call program for curators and artists from all over the world. ISE has had exiting contemporary art exhibitions each year and many curators and artists who had participated in the program have achieved their successful career after the experiences of the PEC exhibitions. ISE's consistent effort to provide experimental and alternative venue for curators and artists has been recognized on many great reviews over the years, such as, *New York Times, New Yorker, Art in America, Time Out NY, Village VOICE* among others.

Other program ISE has provided is "Art Student Exhibition". The program offers art students a place to exhibit their artwork. Many art students from all over the world apply every summer since 2005. ISE invites the celebrated art professionals as jurors, such as, curator and director from museums and galleries, independent curators, art critics, who will be awarding selected artworks at the Award Ceremony and Closing Party.

ISE Cultural Foundation has also given artist talks and lectures by highly established artists such as Alex Katz, Mariko Mori, Jack Pierson, and UshioShinohara for public.

For more information about ISE Cultural Foundation, please go to the website; www.iseny.org

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1996 / Hong Kong / Col / SVHS / 7’30”
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*Distinguished Award of Others Category, the 2nd ifva Awards

My mother collects photographs...
She organises them into volumes...
Chronologically...

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