**RONALDO RUIZ** (b. Manila, Philippines, 1971)

Ronaldo Ruiz studied fine arts at the University of the East, Philippines. He was awarded by the Cultural Center of the Philippines as one of the Thirteen Artist Awardees of 2003 in recognition of his significant contribution to the expanding language and evolutionary dynamics of the Philippine Contemporary Art. Awarded by the University of the East as a Distinguish Alumnus and Achievers of 2007 and 2006. The Metrobank Foundation Award for Continuing Excellence and Service (ACES ) of 2009. Two time winner of the Philip Morris Philippines Art Awards in 2000 and 1997. Ruiz was also an artist in residence at Artesan Gallery + Studio in Singapore, 2009 and Artspace in Sydney Australia, 1999 and has presented his artworks in 21 one-man exhibitions in the Philippines, Japan, Singapore, Belgium, South Korea, Myanmar and Israel. He has also participated in group exhibitions and visual performance art events in the Philippines and abroad, including Australia, Bahrain, Belgium, Canada, China, Denmark, Dubai, Hong Kong, Indonesia, Israel, Japan, Macau, Myanmar, Saudi Arabia, Singapore, South Korea, Taiwan, Thailand, Yugoslavia, among others. His works also collected by the Singapore and Macau Art Museum. Ruiz is the founding member of Buklod Sining in 1989 and the artistic director of Tupada Action and Media Art (TAMA) an international action art event held every year in the Philippines.