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## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **Element Art Space**

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### **Arkiv Vilmansa: Come to Light**

Sunday, 10 December 2017 – Sunday, 14 January 2018

Element Art Space is pleased to present Arkiv Vilmansa's third solo exhibition in Singapore.

Known for his whimsical characters, this exhibition is a departure from his previous oeuvre since his last solo show with the gallery in 2015. For nearly seven years, Vilmansa's creative process has always involved fantasy, imagination and personal dreams that were realised through various fictional characters in strong and bold bright colours. This search led him to discover a new series of landscapes in the form of topographic maps of the area he explores. Images of topographic maps are shaped by an array of lines to form fields.

In *Come to Light*, Vilmansa uses light to emphasise the reflection of life-based on his beliefs, while others use light to highlight reality. His playful use of textures, colours and shapes with light source are evident in this new series of works, in which he also explores the interaction of colours with shadows and light.

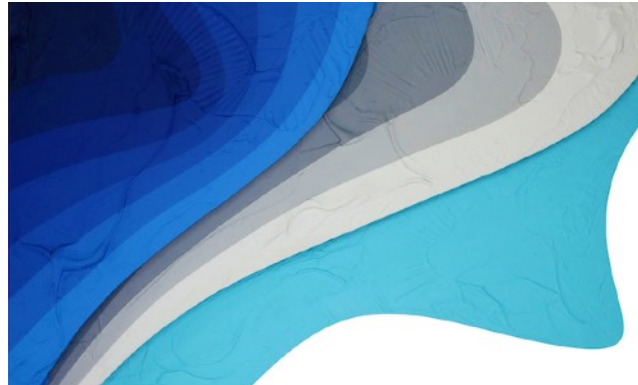
The change from dark to light in each transition between them gives meaning and beauty of its own in its journey to the light. Through this process, Vilmansa is too being re-mapped in his relationship with his Creator — the never ending journey to reach 'light' and eternal goodness.

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**ARKIV VILMANSA** b. 1979, Bandung, Indonesia

Arkiv Vilmansa obtained a bachelor degree from Parhyangan University in Architecture. He began his artistic journey in 2010 and had his first solo exhibition in Jakarta, Indonesia. He has had many exhibitions in overseas including USA, Italy, France, Australia, Philippines and Malaysia. Recent solo exhibitions include Mae Gallery, Tokyo, Japan; Young Art Taipei Group Show, Taipei, Taiwan and Vivi Yip Art Room, Jakarta, Indonesia. He is also one of the few artists invited to participate in IKEA Art Event 2018 collaboration launching in April 2018.

Cover Image: **Arkiv Vilmansa**, *VRS618*, acrylic and polymer resin on wood panel, 60 x 90 cm, 2017



**Arkiv Vilmansa**, *VRS3520*, acrylic and polymer resin on wood panel, 60 x 100 cm, 2017

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