



June 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Visual Voice Inc. Committee for Short Shorts Film Festival & Asia

# Data Asset Management Service to Maximizes the Value of Creators

# LIFE LOG BOX launch press-event was held AWS, Deloitte Tohmatsu Consulting and Visual Voice concentrate its wisdom Filmmakers including Momoko Ando, Shinichiro Ueda and Hitomi Kuroki have already joined

Visual Voice Inc., (President: Tetsuya Bessho) which has a network of over 100,000 creators around the world through the International Short Film Festival, the Short Shorts Film Festival & Asia (SSFF & ASIA), and Amazon Web Services Japan G.K. (President: Tadao Nagasaki) which provides the world's most comprehensive and broadly adopted cloud computing services, Deloitte Tohmatsu Consulting LLC (CEO: Masato Sase) of the Deloitte Tohmatsu Group which has a track record of business support in a wide range of industries through utilization of blockchain such as NFT, and ConsenSys (CEO & Founder: Joseph Lubin) which builds blockchain-based financial infrastructure had a press-event for the launch of Asset Management Service to maximizes the value of Creators and its contents "LIFE LOG BOX" today.



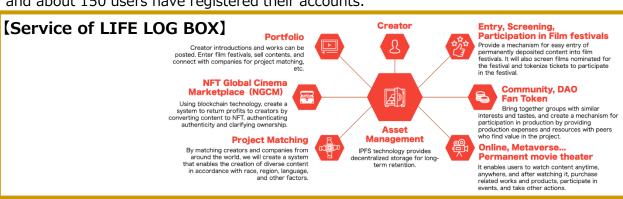




For this service, Deloitte Tohmatsu Consulting provides full support for system construction with AWS' Cloud Computing Services including AWS storage service (Amazon S3) and Web 3.0 service integration environment of ConsenSys "Infura NFT API" for the first time in Japan.

In the WEB3.0 era, everybody is a creator by using smartphone, social media and movie platform. LIFE LOG BOX will make creators possible to storage their contents permanently, ensuring those are not lost in the event of an emergency. The Portfolio function will create matching opportunities between creators and contents and worldwide business. Using blockchain technology, this service will make a system to return profits to creators by converting content to NFT, authenticating authenticity and clarifying ownership.

After  $\beta$  version was launched on April 27<sup>th</sup>, more than 40 filmmakers including Shinichiro Ueda ("One Cut of the Dead") and Kristof Deak, who won the Oscar in 2017, have already registered their portfolio and about 150 users have registered their accounts.



# Message from Momoko Ando and Hitomi Kuroki who have registered their portfolio at LLB.

Momoko Ando, a film director, commented, "Now is the time that everyone can make films. I am also a filmmaker, but I think that in Japan, there are still not enough opportunity for filmmakers to meet who they need. This LLB platform is field with full of hope. Talented young creators can make their dreams come true."

Hitomi Kuroki, an actress and film director, commented, "I have directed two short films and held a screening last year, but I felt that I had not yet reached a large number of people. I heard about LLB and I wanted to participate and support it. I believe that various barriers such as language, regulations, and budget for filmmaking will be overcome on this platform. New encounters will be born as well. I would like to encourage everyone who is aiming to make a living as a filmmaker to participate, that way LLB will be great force to support them. Let's all send our creatives to the world together!





# Comments from presidents of 4 companies

# Amazon Web Services Japan G.K. (President: Tadao Nagasaki)

"AWS is very pleased to contribute to Visual Voice's efforts to maximize the value of creators around the world and revitalize the video and film industry by leveraging the scalability of AWS. In future, we are excited that the Visual Voice's company innovation will be greatly accelerated by AWS various services such as media solutions and AI, machine learning technologies. "

# **Deloitte Tohmatsu Consulting CEO: Masato Sase**

"The development of LIFE LOG BOX, which opens up the future for creators based on new technologies and values, is exactly what our company's slogan of 'Lead the way' means. With Deloitte Tohmatsu's diverse expertise, we will support an environment where creators around the world can fully utilize their talent."

# ConsenSys GM, Infura & Head of Emerging APIs : Nayana Singh APAC Sales Director : Aaron Ko

"At ConsenSys, we're extremely thrilled to be involved in Visual Voice's entrance into the world of NFTs. Through the breadth of our Infura NFT offering that includes multiple read endpoints and the SDK with pre-built smart contract templates, we're able to speed up Visual Voice's launch of its web3.0 platform to bring true ownership of creators' content."

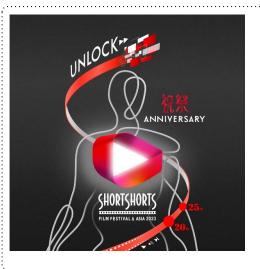
# Visual Voice Inc. President : Tetsuya Bessho

"Now is the time to finally realize the concept of the NFT global cinema market which was announced at the film festival in 2022. From the birth of a platform that fulfills the needs of creators from around the world who gather at film festivals, we can now envision the future image of the Web 3.0 era films."

## [Visual Voice Inc.]

Visual Voice develops a comprehensive short film brand, SHORTSHORTS. It's film festival, "Short Shorts Film Festival & Asia" (SSFF & ASIA) held since 1999, is accredited by the Academy Awards® and is one of the largest international short film festivals in Asia. SHORTSHORTS leads the film culture through various means such as its screening events, film distribution, production and collaboration work with companies and administrative offices.

The arrival of the new 5G era allows communication with greater data capacity. This means that people are able to enjoy high-quality video content and movies on their mobile devises such as smartphones. On the other hand, realistic film experiences, beyond the idea of a cinema, is increasingly emphasized. While supporting young creators through various activities and events, SHORTSHORTS broadens the field of short films. https://v-voice.jp/en/



# [Short Shorts Film Festival & Asia 2023 Outline]

■Festival President: Tetsuya Bessho

■Period: June 6th (TUE) ~ June 26th (MON)
Online Venue; April 27th (THU) ~ July 10th (Mon)

■Screening Venues :

TORQUE SPICE & HERB, TABLE & COURT (Shibuya) 、

Futakotamagawa Rise Studio & Hall ,Euro Live,

Omotesando Hills Space O、Akasaka Intercity Conference Online Venue ※Schedules are varied depends on each venue

■Admission : Free ※some events may be charged

Seats Reservation from April 27

■Inquiry: info@shortshorts.org

■Official Site: <a href="https://shortshorts.org/2023/en/">https://shortshorts.org/2023/en/</a>

■Organizer: Committee for Short Shorts / Committee for Short Shorts Asia

# [Short Shorts Film Festival & Asia ]



In 1999, actor Tetsuya Bessho, member of the Screen Actors Guild of America (SAG), has worked to introduce the then new genre, "short films," which he first encountered in the United States, to film fans in Japan as the American Short Shorts Film Festival. In 2001, the festival was renamed the Short Shorts Film Festival. In 2004, SSFF was recognized as an Academy Award® accredited film festival. In the same year, with the aim of promoting new visual culture from Asia and nurturing up-and-coming young filmmakers, the Short Shorts Film Festival Asia (SSFF ASIA, co-sponsored by Tokyo Metropolitan Government) was established and the festival is now known collectively as SSFF & ASIA.

To commemorate the festival's 20th anniversary in 2018, the Grand Prix film was named the "George Lucas Award" in honor of director George Lucas.

In January 2019, the Short Shorts Film Festival in Hollywood was held to celebrate the 20th anniversary of the festival. Beginning with the 2019 festival, in addition to the Official Competitions (International, Asia International, and Japan), the Non-Fiction Competition and this year, the Animation Competition Best Short Award winners have also become eligible for nomination at the Academy Awards the following year.

SSFF & ASIA will continue to support young creators through the festival.

# **Press Inquiry:**