

Artist Profile

Gao Xiaoyun (Gao Jing) was born in Shaan Xi province, China and graduated from the Department of Oil Painting, the China Academy of Fine Art. He currently lives and works in Shanghai. He participated in the development of the Shanghai Pudong Artist Village and Puxi Art District, and founded the "Cloud Gallery", "3A Gallery" and "Xiaoyun Culture". His works have been collected extensively in the UK, Holland, the USA, Germany, France, Australia, Switzerland, Israel, Taiwan, Singapore and China.

Artistic Concepts

For many years, I have been consistently searching for an ideal visual language and created the "Shanbei Landscape" series, "Question" series whose subjects are mainly heads and hands. I am pursuing a sense of stillness and motion, objectivity and subjectivity and I never stopped.

Spontaneous, simple, clean, sophisticated and touching are the first impressions that most people have on my works. I am trying to create the harmonious coexistence of man and nature. With the high pressure of modern society, we are gradually losing touch with many instincts and becoming less compatible with nature. Hence I aim at emancipating man from such demise to re-embrace with every other natural beings.

In terms of techniques, it is crucial to paint spontaneously and flexibly to achieve an effect that appears at once "dense and light, quick and slow, hard and soft, cold and warm".

When I look at an empty canvas, I begin to feel excited and return to peace again. To me, learning to cope with the rise and fall in life is the highest form of existence. Every painting is a part of my life and achievements.....I hope others can find their natural essence via my works as well. It is in itself a way of cultivation.

Exhibition History

2016 Art Revolution, Taipei

2016 Singapore Contemporary, Singapore

2015 Venice Biennale, Venice

2014 "Time is old", solo exhibition, Tianzifang, Shanghai

2014 "Civilian and Obscurity", solo exhibition, M50, Shanghai

2012 "A Scar", solo exhibition, London, Shanghai

2010 "Start over again", solo exhibition, M50, Shanghai

2009, Cross-strait cultural exchange exhibition, Shanghai, Taiwan

2008 Spring Art Salon, Shanghai

2007 "Ingenuity", solo exhibition, 3A Gallery, Shanghai

2006 "Unexpected Inspiration" solo exhibition, Cloud Gallery, Shanghai

2000 The Capital Art Fair, Beijing