

Guo Hongwei: The Place of Liveliness 2021. 04. 22 - 06. 05



Dance No.2, 2021 Oil on linen, 100 x 80cm

The Place of Liveliness

Magician Space is delighted to present a solo exhibition by artist Guo Hongwei, 'The Place of Liveliness.' Guo Hongwei's recent paintings focus on the normative yet anachronistic situations that differentiate the real world. They include, for example, a male teacher losing control of his balance bike, park-goers tossing and turning ribbons while twisting and turning their bodies, and nuns dancing with rhythmic energy.

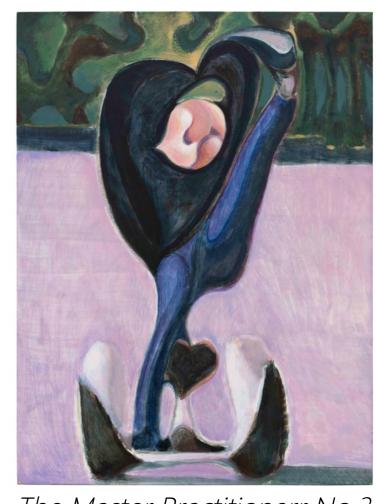
These vivid scenes come from moments when people have forgotten themselves in their daily lives and fall unconsciously into ecstasy. The artist portrays secularized gesture as the individual struggles to escape social attributes. Guo Hongwei continues to adopt the method of pictorial archaeology in his paintings, searching for the spiritual emancipation of the individual in secular life through movements and dynamic curves and how the joy of life leaps out of the shackles of reality.

About the Artist

Guo Hongwei (1982, Sichuan) graduated from Sichuan Fine Arts Institute in 2004 and currently lives and works in Beijing. His practice focus on painting, collage and video. From 2011 to 2016, he established independent art space "Gland".

The artist's solo exhibitions include Guo Hongwei: The Place of Liveliness, Magician Space, Beijing, 2021; Guo Hongwei: Pareidolia, Chambers Fine Art, New York, 2020; Happy Hours, DRC No.12, Beijing, 2019; Plastic Heaven, Chambers Fine Art, New York, 2017; Miss Oyu, Frieze New York, New York, 2014; Guo Hongwei: Editing, Leo Xu Projects, Shanghai, 2013.

Group exhibitions include: The Racing will Continue, the Dancing will Stay, Times Museum, Guangzhou, 2019; Silent Transformation: Traditional Medical Culture in Ancient Texts and its Subtle InBuence in Contemporary Art & Life, Sichuan Provincial Library, Chengdu, 2019; Yebisu International Festival for Art & Alternative Visions, Yebisu Garden Place, Tokyo, 2016; My Generation: Young Chinese Artists, Orange County Museum of Art, Newport Beach, CA, 2015; Tampa Museum of Art & Museum of Fine Arts, St. Petersburg; Oklahoma City Museum of Art, Oklahoma City, 2014; Jing Shen: The Act of Painting in Contemporary China, Padiglione d'arte Contemporanea, Milan, 2015; ON | OFF: China's Young Artists in Concept and Practice, UCCA, Beijing, 2013; Reactivation: The 9th Shanghai Biennale, PSA, Shanghai, 2012.



2020-21 Oil on linen, 80 x 60cm

The Master Practitionerr No.3

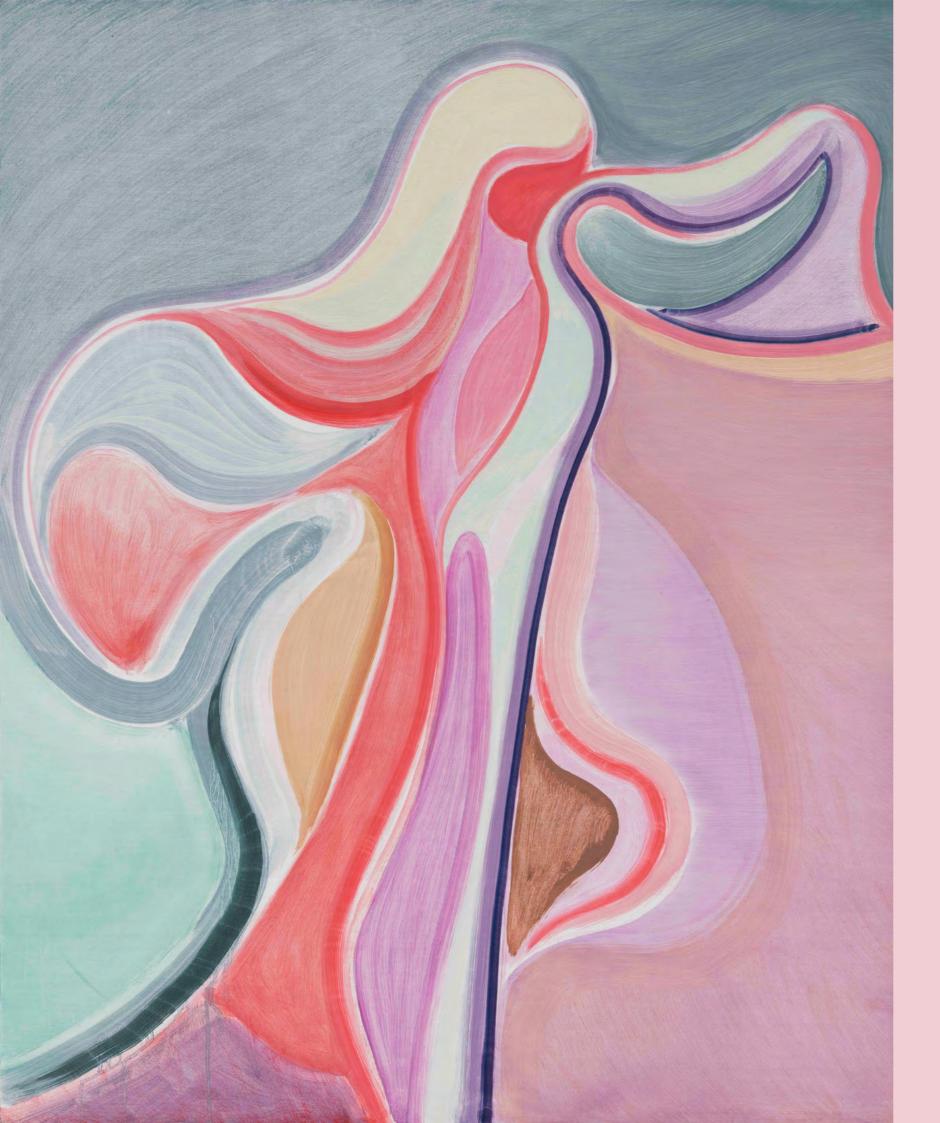
Exhibition View





Dance No.1, 2021 oil on linen, triptych: 300 x 600cm, each: 300 x 200cm





Dance No.3, 2021 Oil on linen, 100 x 80cm



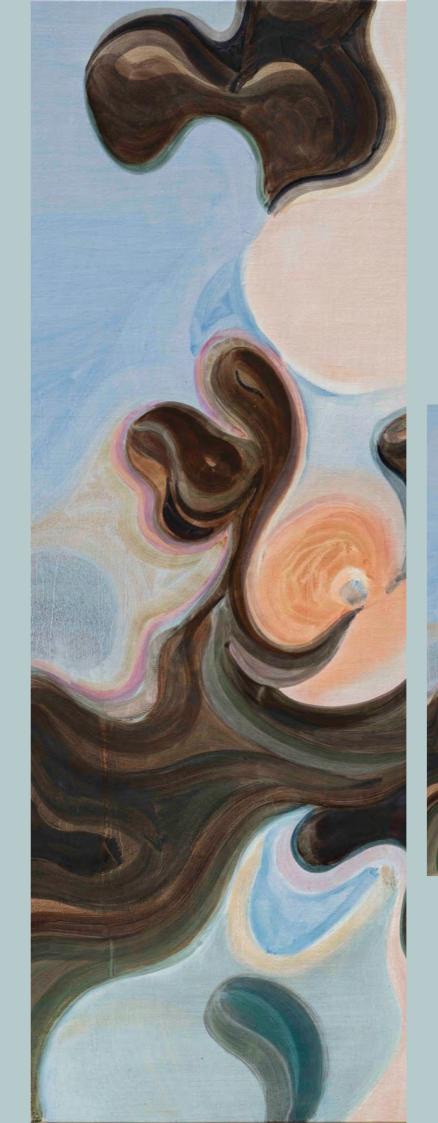
Mother Joan of the Angels, Poland, 1961







Fantasia No.1, 2021 Oil on linen, 100 x 100cm





Fantasia No.2, 2021 Oil on linen, 100 x 80cm







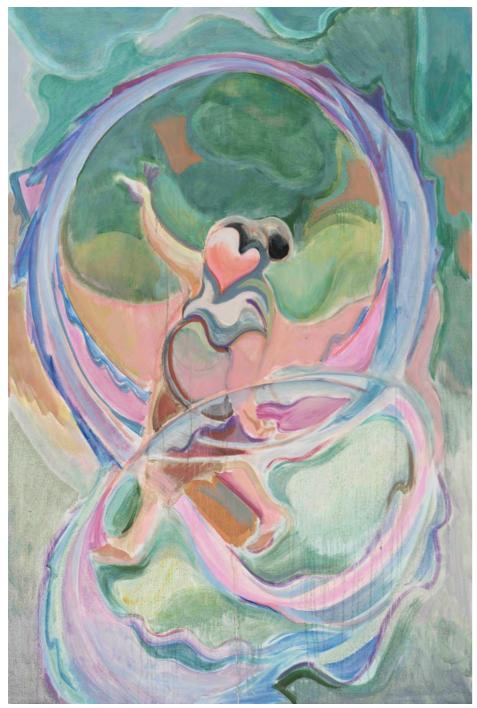
Wild Cursive, 2021 Oil on linen, 200 x 300cm



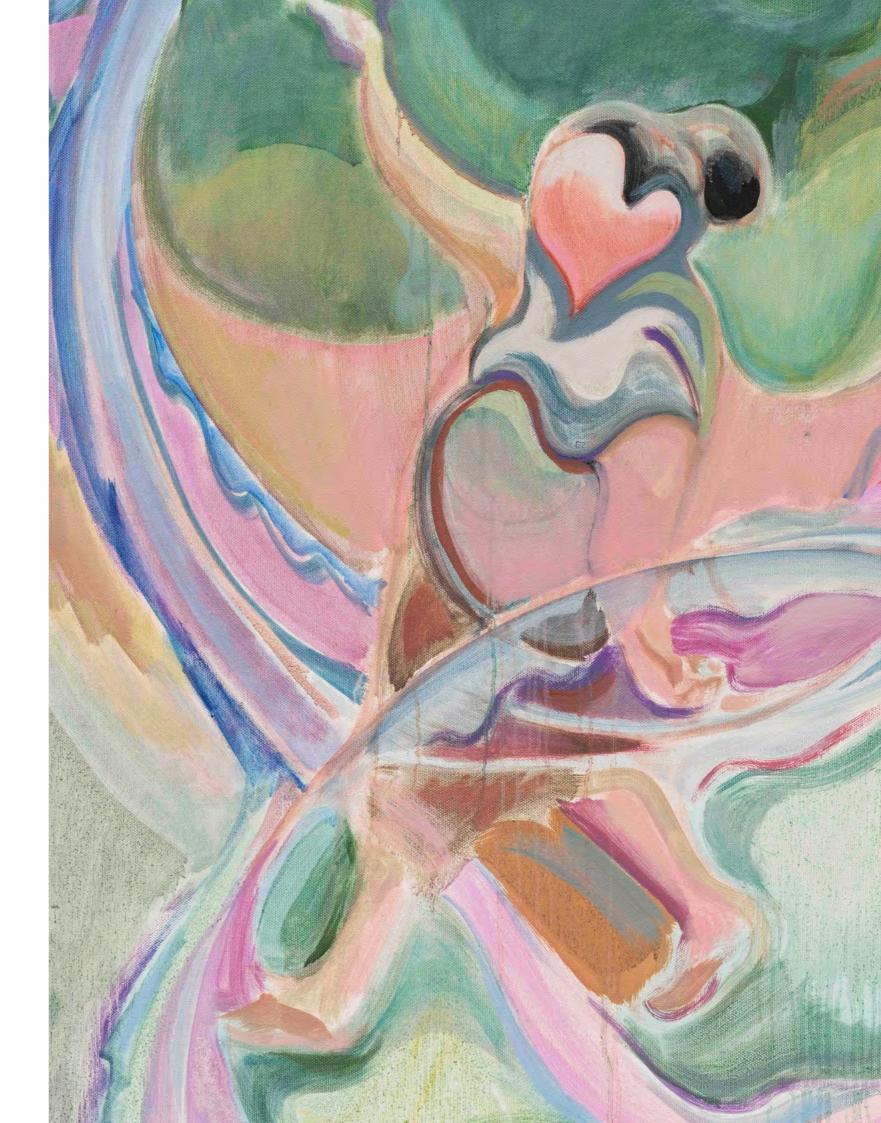


The Bird Flies above the Good and the Evil, 2021 Oil on linen, 30 x 40cm



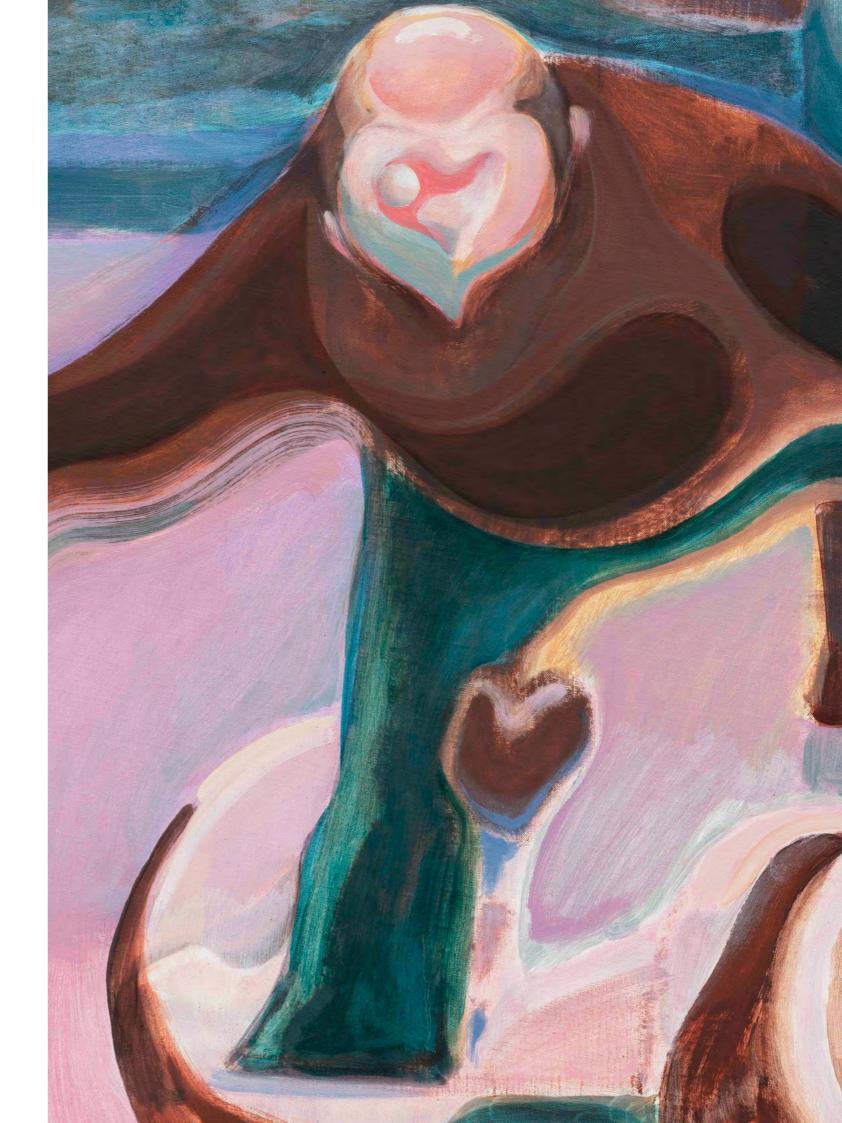


Peacock, 2021 Oil on linen, 150 x 100cm



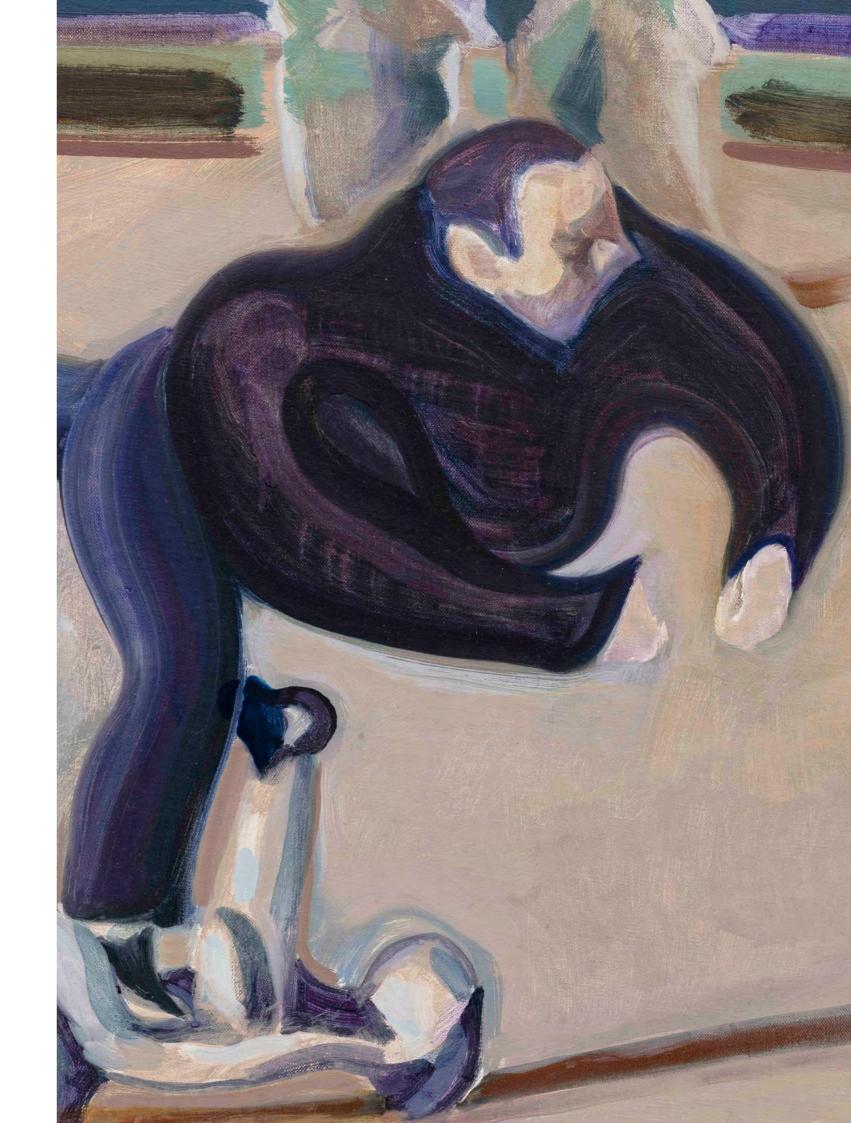


The Master Practitionerr No.4, 2020-21 Oil on linen, 100 x 100cm





The Master Practitionerr No.1, 2020 Oil on linen, 60 x 80cm

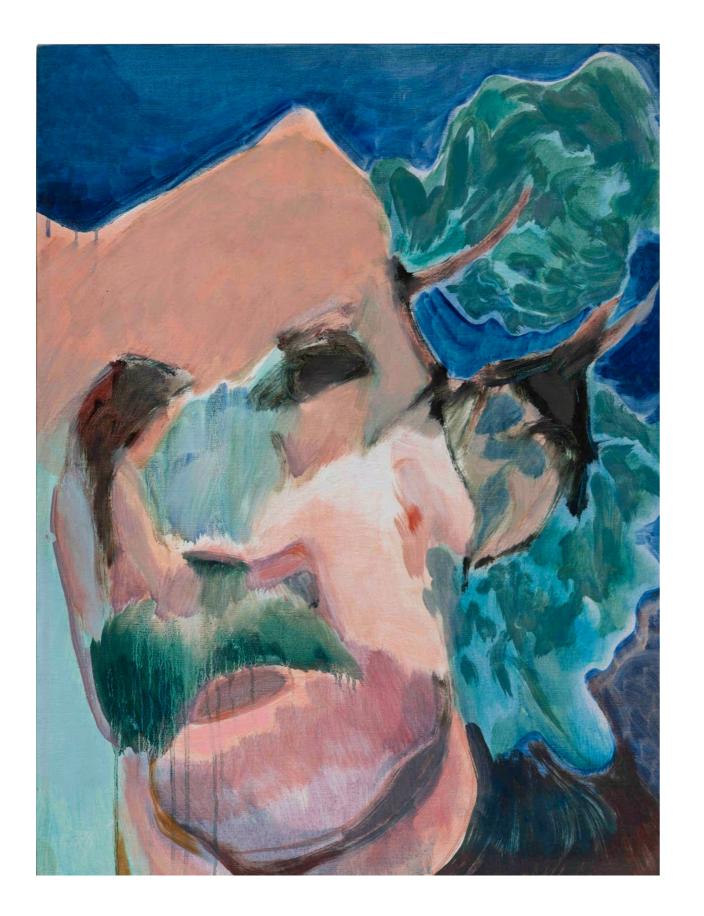




Laughing at This World No.2, 2020 Oil on linen, 200 x 300cm

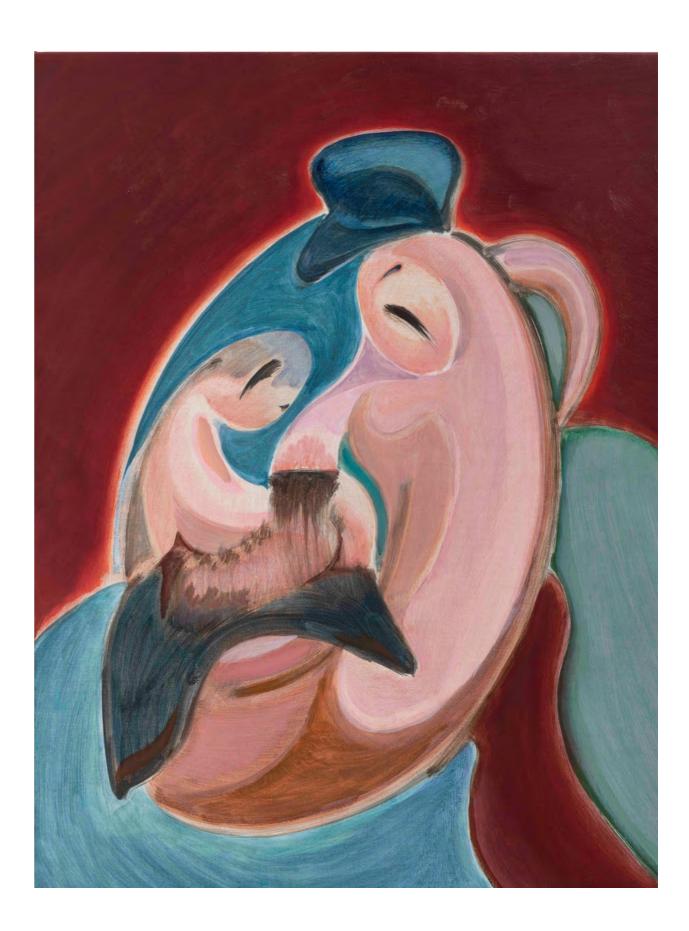






Mustache and Braid, 2021 Oil on linen, 80 x 60cm

Spanking, 2021 Oil on linen, 80 x 60cm



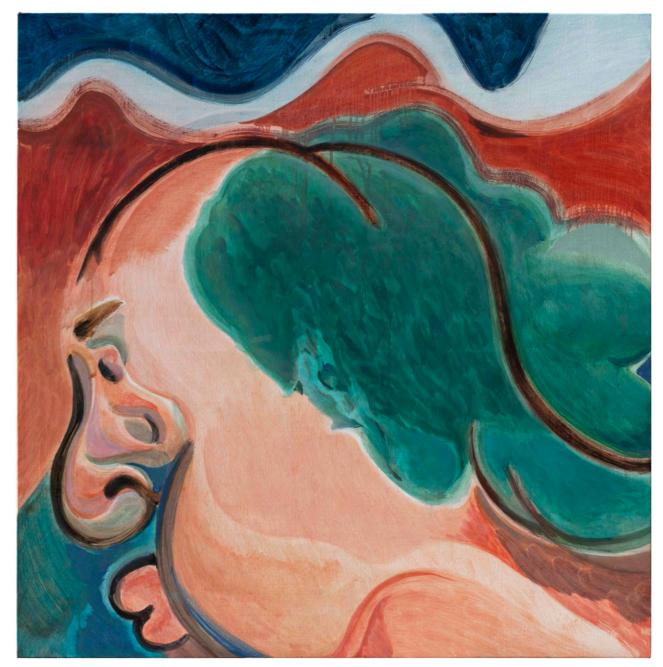








Blah, Blah, 2020-21 Oil on linen, 100 x 100cm



A Noble Scholar, 2020-21 Oil on linen, 100 x 100cm









Guo Hongwei CV

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1982 Born in Sichuan, China 2004 Graduated from Sichuan Fine Arts Institute, Chongqing, China Currently Lives and works in Beijing, China

Solo Exhibitions

- 2021 Guo Hongwei: The Place of Liveliness, Magician Space, Beijing, CN
- 2020 Guo Hongwei: Pareidolia, Chambers Fine Art, New York, US
- 2019 Happy Hours, DRC No.12, Beijing, CN Signatura Rerum, Tso Gallery, Taipei, Taiwan
- 2017 Plastic Heaven, Chambers Fine Art, New York, US
- 2015 Lustrous and Dazzling, Gallery 100, Taipei, Taiwan Interface, A307 Space, Beijing, CN
- 2014 The Great Metaphorist, Chambers Fine Art, Beijing, CN Miss Oyu, Frieze New York, New York, US
- 2013 Guo Hongwei: Editing, Leo Xu Projects, Shanghai, CN
- 2012 Guo Hongwei: Painting is Collecting, Chambers Fine Art, New York, US; Hong Kong International Art Fair, Hong Kong; Chambers Fine Art, Beijing, CN
- 2011 Tiny Drop, Aike-Dell'arco, Palermo, IT
- 2010 Things, Chambers Fine Art, New York, US
- 2009 Things, Chambers Fine Art, Beijing, CN
- 2007 Dissolving Memory: Guo Hongwei's Paintings, Connoisseur Art Gallery and 82 Republic, Hong Kong, CN
- Group Exhibitions
- 2020 The Illustrated Word: Artwork Inspired by Calligraphy, Chambers Fine Art, New York, US
- 2019 Chambers Review II, Chambers Fine Art, New York, ÚS Against the Stream: Fu Xiaotong, Guo Hongwei, Li Qing, Wu Didi, Chambers Fine Art, Beijing, CN
 - Pal(ate)/ette/, Shanghai Gallery of Art, Shanghai, CN
 - The Racing will Continue, the Dancing will Stay, Times Museum, Guangzhou, CN Silent Transformation: Traditional Medical Culture in Ancient Texts and its Subtle Inßuence in Contemporary Art & Life, Sichuan Provincial Library, Chengdu, CN
 - Out for Summer, Simon Lee Gallery, Hong Kong, CN
- River Bowing without a Beacon,1979, Boers-Li Gallery, Beijing, CN
- Between Past and Future: SGA Collection Exhibition, Shanghai Gallery of Art, Shanghai
- 2017 ACAW THINKING PROJECTS: The Pre-existent Painting, Chambers Fine Art, New York, US Grounding, Dorm by UCCASTORE, 798 Art District, Beijing, CN Collage: The Cards Players, Shanghai Gallery of Art, Shanghai, CN Word History, Tang Contemporary Art, Bangkok, TH City of Stars, Leo Xu and Art Project CZ, Shanghai, CN
- 2016 True Landscapes and Landscaped Gardens, Times Museum, Guangzhou, CN Yebisu International Festival for Art & Alternative Visions, Yebisu Garden Place, Tokyo, JP Art Beijing Salon Exhibition Program 1: Paintings of Thought, Dongshan Shu, Beijing, CN The Tale of New Year, Hui Art Space, Beijing, CN
- 2015 My Generation: Young Chinese Artists, Orange County Museum of Art, Newport Beach, CA, US Jing Shen: The Act of Painting in Contemporary China, Padiglione d'arte Contemporan

Milan, IT

Editing the Spectacle: The Individual and Working Methods Post - Mediatization, Hive Center for Contemporary Art, Beijing, CN The Tell-Tale Heart, Chi Art Space, Hong Kong, CN The Rural Poetics, Frieze London, London, UK Leo Xu Projects at Art021 Shanghai Contemporary Art Fair, Shanghai, CN Leo Xu Projects at Frieze London, London, UK Leo Xu Projects at Art Basel Hong Kong, Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre, Hong Kong, CN

- 2014 My Generation: Young Chinese Artists, Tampa St. Petersburg; Oklahoma City Museum of Ar Silence: The 1990s, Balice Hertling Gallery, Pa JPEG: New Practices in Photography, Artshare
- 2013 Reading, Leo Xu Projects, Shanghai, CN Evolution: A Question, YUAN Space, Beijing, ON | OFF: China's Young Artists in Concept a
- 2012 REACTIVATION: The 9th Shanghai Biennale, I Palermo, Power Station of Art, Shanghai, CN Daily of Concept: A Practice of Life, Shangha Boy: A Contemporary Portrait, Leo Xu Projec Do a Book, White Space, Beijing, CN Diamond Leaves: Brilliant Artist Books from A
- 2011 Painting Lesson I: Illusion or Delusion, Gallery Catch the Moon in the Water: Emerging Chir Sweet Dreams (Are Made of This), Leo Xu Pro 0° Space, Aike-Dell'arco, Shanghai, CN
- 2010 Guo Hongwei, Yuko Murata, Karen Seapker: Cohan Gallery, Shanghai, CN ALEX: A Tribute to Alexander McQueen, Jam Du: Crossover, Aroundspace, Shanghai, CN
- 2009 Santa's Workshop, James Cohan Gallery, Sha The Tree, James Cohan Gallery, Shanghai, CN New-Trends: Fifteen Contemporary Chinese US
- 2008 Blog It: New Wave of New Wave, Chambers Starting Now, Beijing Art Now Gallery, Beijing The Game is not Over: Young Chinese Artists Thinghood: Object-related Themes in Conter
- 2007 Refresh: Emerging Chinese Artists, Shanghai Energy: Spirit, Body, Material — The First Toc Beijing, CN
- 2006 Seven Sichuan Generals, Ogilvy Gallery, Beijir Dialogue 10+10, Shanghai Zendai MoMA, Sh

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CN and Practice, UCCA, Beijing, CN Inter-city Pavilion Project, City Pavilion of

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