

## GANG ZHAO

Born in Peking, China, 1961  
Lives and works in Beijing, China and New York, NY

### Education

1983–1984 State Academy of Fine Art, Maastricht, Holland, 1983–1984

1984–1987 Vassar College, Poughkeepsie, NY

1996–1998 MFA, Bard College, Annandale on Hudson, NY

### Selected Solo Exhibitions

- 2019 *Passage to Dynasty*, Greene Naftali, New York, New York  
*Zhao Gang: History Painting*, Pérez Art Museum, Miami, Florida  
*Diluted Retrospective*, Each Modern, Taipei, Taiwan
- 2017 *Zhao Gang Solo Exhibition*, Tang Contemporary Art, Hong Kong, China  
*Useless Things – Zhao Gang New Works*, Aye Gallery, Beijing, China
- 2016 *Gang Zhao*, Tilton Gallery, New York, New York  
*The Road to Serfdom II*, Museo de Arte Contemporáneo, Santiago, Chile  
*Contemporary Chinese Painting*, Galerie Nagel Draxler, Cologne, Germany  
*Zhao Gang*, Dingyun Art Salon, Wuhan, China
- 2015 *The Collection of Lust Empire*, Aura Gallery, Taipei, Taiwan  
*Cocksucker Blues*, BANK, Shanghai, China  
*Paramour's Garden*, Suzhou Museum, Suzhou, China

- Zhao Gang: The Road to Serfdom*, Ullens Center for Contemporary Art, Beijing, China
- 2014 *Emperor and His...* AYE Gallery, Beijing, China
- 2013 *The Khitans: Zhao Gang*, Platform China, Beijing, China  
*Another Reality*, Gallery LIN, Taipei, Taiwan
- 2012 *Zhao Gang*, Wada Fine Arts, Tokyo, Japan
- 2011 *Sisyphus*, Aura Gallery, Beijing, China  
*Sick Man*, Today Art Museum, Beijing, China  
*Burning the Wood: The Collection of Du Yuesheng*, AYE Gallery, Beijing, China
- 2010 *Gang Zhao*, Galerie Christian Nagel, Berlin, Germany
- 2009 *Dance in Dream*, Triumph Art Space, Beijing, China
- 2008 *Painting of Zhao Gang*, Hong Kong Art Center / Hanart TZ Gallery, Hong Kong  
*Gang Zhao*, TSI Yi Space Gallery, Beijing, China
- 2007 *Gang Zhao*, Tilton Gallery, New York, New York  
*After Thought*, Galerie Christian Nagel, Cologne, Germany  
*Gang Zhao*, 10 Chancery Lane Gallery, Hong Kong  
*Portrait Landscape Memory*, He Xiangning Art Museum, Shenzhen, China
- 2006 *Broken Narrative*, Galerie Bleich-Rossi, Vienna, Austria
- 2005 *Want Sex*, Beijing Art Now Gallery, Beijing, China  
*The War Game*, Galerie Christian Nagel, Berlin, Germany
- 2004 *Irony of Mistranslation*, Michael Goedhuis, New York, New York
- 2002 Gallery 4A, Sydney, Australia
- 1999 *Constructed Dreams*, Courtyard Gallery, Beijing, China
- 1994 Peg Alston Fine Arts, New York, New York
- 1992 Vorpai Gallery, New York, New York
- 1991 *The Unpainted Landscapes*, Gutharc Balin Gallery, Paris, France
- 1990 Vorpai Gallery, New York, New York

- 1989 Via Del Moro 25/b, Rome, Italy
- 1987 Lavaggi Gallery, New York, New York

### Selected Group Exhibitions

- 2018 *Painting: Now and Forever, Part III*, Greene Naftali, New York, New York  
*Turning Point – 40 Years of Chinese Contemporary Art*, Long Museum (West Bund), Shanghai, China
- 2017 *Art in China after 1989: Theater of the World*, The Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum, New York, NY  
*Marching in Circles*, Long March Space, Beijing, China  
*Gui Yang*, Tang Contemporary Art, Beijing, China
- 2015 *The Civil Power: Beijing Minsheng Art Museum Opening Exhibition*, Minsheng Art Museum, Beijing, China  
*Big Painting Exhibition*, Platform China Contemporary Art Institute, Beijing, China
- 2014 *About Painting*, OCT Contemporary Art Terminal, Xi'an, China  
*The Unofficials: Art before 85*, Boers-Li Gallery, Beijing, China  
*Early—Wang Xingwei, Wang Yin, Zhang Enli, Zhao Gang, Zhou Tiehai*, Platform China Contemporary Art Institute, Beijing, China
- 2013 *Paint(erly)*, BANK, Shanghai, China  
*Life Drawing Project*, Platform China Contemporary Art Institute, Beijing, China  
*Jungle II—A Thriving Morphology: Theory Of Relativity*, Platform China Contemporary Art Institute, Beijing, China
- 2012 *Pinellia*, Aura Gallery, Beijing, China
- 2010 *Demolition Milk II*, Kunst Im Tunnel, Düsseldorf, Germany
- 2009 *Embrace Suzhou—Exhibition of the Chinese Contemporary Arts*, Suzhou Museum, Suzhou, China  
Guangzhou Triennale, Guangzhou, China  
Yokohoma Triennale, Yokohoma, Japan
- 2008 *Global EurAsia*, Art Cologne, Sonderausstellung, Cologne, Germany  
*Delirious Beijing*, PKM Gallery, Beijing, China  
*Chinese Apartment Art: 1970s-1990s*, Shuimu Art Space, Beijing,

China

- 2007 *Harlem School of New Social Realism*, PERFORMA, New York, NY  
*Yi School: Thirty Years of 'Abstract Art' Preview in Beijing*, Wall Art Museum, Beijing, China  
*Origin Point: 'Star Group' Retrospective Exhibition*, Today Art Museum, Beijing, China  
*A Point in the Red*, Kashya Hilderbrand Gallery, Zurich, Switzerland
- 2006 *Jiang Hu: 34 Contemporary Chinese Artists*, Tilton Gallery, New York;  
Traveled to Roberts & Tilton, Los Angeles, California; curated by Huang Zhuan  
  
*The Face of Contemporary Art in China*, Virginia Beach Contemporary Museum of Art, Virginia Beach. Traveled to the Federal Reserve, Washington, D.C.
- 2005 *Contemporary Erotic Drawings*, Diverse Works, Houston, Texas.  
Traveled to the Aldrich Contemporary Art Museum, Ridgefield, CT  
*David Diao and Gang Zhao*, Hanart TZ Gallery, Hong Kong
- 2004 *Sunrise Sunset*, Smack Mellon, Brooklyn, NY; curated by Kuratiert von Amanda Church and Courtney Cox  
*Silknet*, Galerie Urs Meile, Luzern, Switzerland
- 2003 *David Diao and Gang Zhao: at Mid Career*, Asian American Arts Centre, New York, NY  
Chambers Fine Art, New York, NY
- 2002 Jessica Murray Projects, Brooklyn, NY
- 2001 Central Academy Gallery of Fine Arts, Beijing, China  
*Wei Liu and Gang Zhao*, Ray Hughes Gallery, Sydney, Australia
- 2000 *Xing Xing Group Show*, Tokyo Gallery, Tokyo, Japan
- 1998 Salon 300, Williamsburg, NY  
*David Lowe and Gang Zhao*, Peng Gallery, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
- 1990 *The Door*, P.S. 1, Institute of the Arts, Long Island City, NY  
Blum Helman Gallery, New York, NY
- 1989 *The Stars:10 Years*, Festival d'Automne de Paris, Paris, France
- 1987 SUNY Albany Art Gallery, Albany, NY
- 1986 *Beijing/New York: Avant-Garde Chinese Art*, Sharon Creative Arts

Foundation, Sharon, Connecticut. Traveled to Vassar College Art Gallery, Poughkeepsie, NY; City Gallery, New York, NY

- 1980 *Xing Xing (The Stars)*, China Art Gallery, Peking, China
- 1979 *Xing Xing (The Stars)*, Beihai Park, Peking, China

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"Another Reality," Lin and Lin Gallery, Taipei, Taiwan, 2013 (catalogue).

"Zhao Gang: Sick Man," DISTANZ VERLAG, Berlin, Germany, 2012.

"Zhao Gang: Dance in Dream," Triumph Art Space, Beijing, China, 2009 (catalogue).

"Gang Zhao: After Thoughts," Galerie Christian Nagel, Cologne, 2007.

"Gang Zhao: Broken Narrative," Galerie Bleich-Rossi, 2005

"Gang Zhao's Most Recent Works, 2006: Portrait. Landscape. Memory," He Xiang Ning Art Museum, Shenzhen, 2006.

"Gang Zhao: War Game," Galerie Christian Nagel, Berlin, 2005.

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"Zhao Gang: Want Sex," Beijing Art Now Gallery, 2005.

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