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About

Liu Guofu was born in 1964 in Nanjing, and graduated from the Oil Painting Department of the Nanjing Institute of Arts in 1985. He currently lives and works in Nanjing. His artwork melds motions of light with air. While “light” brings out its depth, “air” helps disperse the “light” to every corner of the work. His use of his symbolic blue-greyish colour is fundamental to his works. Up close, the brushstrokes are chaotic and fragmented, yet from a distance the brushstrokes gather to form a poetic tranquillity.

Liu Guofu’s oil paintings have been exhibited in many major cities. Highlights include a group exhibition in Kunstraum Villa Friede, Bonn, Germany in 2014, a solo show in 2011 that toured the Jiangsu Provincial Art Museum, Nanjing, Today Art Museum, Beijing, and the Shanghai Art Museum, Shanghai; In the same year, he also participated in the Parallel Exhibition at the 54th Venice Biennale. In 2016, Liu Guofu was honoured by renowned French brand Martell as Martell Artist of the Year in Hong Kong. He was commissioned by MGM to create a large-formatted painting for the MGM Chairman’s Collection which will be permanently displayed in Macau. His paintings were collected by Shanghai Art Museum in Shanghai, Jiangsu Provincial Art Museum in Nanjing and Zhuzhong Museum of Art in Beijing.

Dr. Xia Kejun, acclaimed philosopher and art critic, once described Liu Guofu’s oil paintings as a magical spectacle: ‘Among Chinese contemporary oil painters, I have yet to see a single one who is so richly imbued with the dejected and pessimistic qualities of modernity, or can convey the lofty desolation of Shan Shui landscape painting with such clear form and spiritual power. This is truly an “otherworldly landscape”, the most magical spectacle of the soul.’

Solo Exhibitions

- 2022 *In Praise of Blandness: Liu Guofu Solo Exhibition*, 3812 Gallery, London
- 2021 *In Praise of Blandness: Liu Guofu Solo Exhibition*, 3812 Gallery, Hong Kong
- 2018 *Vibrating Double Shadows: Liu Guofu Solo Exhibition*, 3812 Gallery, London
- 2016 *Phantom Brushstrokes: Liu Guofu Solo Exhibition*, 3812 Gallery, Hong Kong
- 2015 *Painting Salon of Liu Guofu*, 3812 Gallery, Hong Kong
- 2011 *Fantastic Scenery: Liu Guofu Solo Exhibition*, Touring Exhibition, Today Art Museum, Beijing/ Jiangsu Provincial Art Museum, Jiangsu/ Shanghai Art Museum, Shanghai

Selected Group Exhibitions

- 2022 *Spirit and Landscape*, 3812 Gallery, London
Masterpiece London Art Fair, 3812 Gallery, London
Blessings, 3812 Gallery, Hong Kong
- 2021 “Awakening- MGM Lion Party”, MGM Chairman’s Collection Exhibition, MGM, Macau
- 2020 *RECONNECT: The Summer Exhibition 2020*, 3812 Gallery, London & Hong Kong
- 2019 *Mind-Scape V: Summer Group Exhibition*, 3812 Gallery, London
3812 Gallery Artists Group Exhibition, INK NOW Taipei Art Expo, Expo Dome, Taipei Expo Park, Taipei
- 2018 *Pulse/Thread: 3812 Gallery Artists Group Exhibition*, 2018 ART TAIPEI, Taipei Convention Centre, Taipei
- 2017 *Summer Show 2017*, 3812 Gallery, Hong Kong
Elements - Wang Jieyin and Liu Guofu Joint Solo Exhibition, 2017 ART TAIPEI, Taipei Convention Centre, Taipei
- 2016 *3812 Gallery Artists Group Exhibition*, Fine Art Asia 2016, Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre, Hong Kong
Mind-Scape III: 3812 Gallery Artists Group Exhibition, 3812 Gallery, Hong Kong
- 2015 *Mind-Scape II: 3812 Gallery Artists Group Exhibition*, 3812 Gallery, Hong Kong
Space Matter, 3812 Gallery, Hong Kong
3812 Gallery Artists Group Exhibition, Fine Art Asia 2015, Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre, Hong Kong
- 2014 *Empty Cold - Infra-mince of Snow-scape*, SOKA Art Center, Beijing
Social Landscape, Sichuan Fine Art Institute, Chengdu
The heavy footprints - The exhibition of Nanjing International Art Festival, Nanjing International Art Festival, Nanjing
Dialogue 5:5: Chinese and German Artists’ Group Exhibition, Kunstraum Villa Friede, Bonn
Chinese Artists in St.Urban - A Passage to the Alps #1, Art-St-Urban Modern Art, Lucerne

- 2013 *Forms of the Formless - Exhibition of Chinese Contemporary Art*, Sishang Art Museum, Beijing
YWSZ: The Jiangsu Blank to Blank - Inframince Exhibition II, Soka Art Center, Beijing
Contemporary Art Study Exhibition, Zhejiang Art Museum, Hangzhou
Moving Beyond, Z-art Center, Shanghai
Forms of the Formless - Exhibition of Chinese Contemporary Art, Hubei Art Museum, Wuhan
Moving Beyond: Painting in China, 2013, Summer Hall, Edinburgh
Mind-Scape: 3812 Gallery Artists Group Exhibition, 3812 Gallery, Hong Kong
- 2012 *Duchamp'Inframince in Painting: First Zhuangzi International Conference Parallel Exhibition*, Yuan Art museum, Beijing
The 4th Guangzhou Triennial: De-Chinese Imagination - Contemporary Chinese Art Exhibition, Guangdong Museum of Art, Guangzhou
Ink Boundary, M50 Datetang Huafu Art Space, Shanghai
Chinese Expressionism - 2012 Oil Painting Invitation Exhibition, Phoenix Art Palace Museum, Wuxi
Nord Art 2012 International Art Exhibition, Kunstwerk Carlshütte, Büdelsdorf
- 2011 *The Will of China - China Contemporary Art Invitation Exhibition*, Museum of Contemporary Art, Beijing
Meeting with Nostalgia: Contemporary Art Touring Exhibition, Qinghe Museum of Contemporary Art/Han Art Space/
Blue Roof Museum/Chongqing Grand Theatre, Nanjing/Hangzhou/Chengdu/Chongqing
Nanjing Contemporary Art Annual Exhibition, Centre of Contemporary Art Shangdong, Nanjing
Cracked Culture? The Quest for Identity in Contemporary Chinese Art, Parallel Exhibition of 54th Venice Biennale, Venice
- 2010 *You West, I East*, Touring Exhibition, Shenzhen Art Museum, Shenzhen/ Wuhan Art Museum, Wuhan/ Xi'an Art Museum, Xi'an
Nanjing Contemporary Art Annual Exhibition, Centre of Contemporary Art Shangdong, Nanjing
- 2009 *Spirit of Cultural Traditional China Version*, Qinghe Museum of Contemporary Art, Nanjing
Spillover the East: 4 Chinese Contemporary Artists' Exhibition, Ann Bryant Art Museum, East London/ Port Elizabeth/ Knysna/
Wellington, South Africa
- 2008 *Corresponding Nanjing & Chengdu: 2008 Qinghe Contemporary Art Exchange Exhibition*, Qinghe Museum of Contemporary Art
Nanjing/ Terminal Ten Art Space, Chengdu
- 2007 *China's Neo Painting, A Triumph Over Images 2007 Art China Painting Nomination Exhibition*, Shanghai Art Museum, Shanghai
Autorotation - Nanjing Qinghe Current Art Centre Open Exhibition, Qinghe Museum of Contemporary Art, Nanjing
- 2006 *South & North - China Oil Painting Exhibition*, National Art Museum of China, Beijing
Selected Chinese Canvas Works Exhibition, Jiangsu Provincial Art Museum, Jiangsu
Varied Images, China Contemporary Oil Painting Invitation Exhibition, Shanghai Art Museum, Shanghai
- 2005 *Land Rich in Beauty Oil Painting Exhibition*, Jiangsu Provincial Art Museum, Jiangsu
- 2004 *China Contemporary Art Invitation Exhibition*, Nanjing Museum, Nanjing
China Contemporary Oil Painting Invitation Exhibition, Liu Haisu Art Museum, Shanghai

Public / Corporate Collections

MGM Chairman's Collection (Macau), Shanghai Art Museum (Shanghai), Jiangsu Provincial Art Museum (Nanjing), Zhuzhong Museum of Art (Beijing)