

Zhang Ding

born in 1980 in Zhangye, China, lives and works in Shanghai.

2015 TANC Asia Prize Winner;

2017 Porsche Young Chinese Artist of the Year Prize Winner;

2019 ESQUIRE "Man at His Best Award" Winner

Zhang Ding (born in 1980, based in Shanghai) is one of the most active and influential Chinese artists in the contemporary art scene. For more than a decade, Zhang Ding is known for creating large-scale sculptures, installations and videos, and also for periodically curating live events that are musical and performative in nature, collaborating with artists from all fields.

Zhang Ding's large-scale installations are totalised and integrated; the meticulous structures combining the artist's favourite motifs and formal elements assimilate various components together into an architectonic entity. From a New Brutalist gesture that locks down a museum space in Shanghai, turning it into a prison; to a conceptual and physical staircase between different project spaces in downtown Beijing; to a series of impromptu gigs over a period of fortnight at the ICA London, inviting bands and musicians to improvise one next to another, compressing and distorting sounds, images and spaces, Zhang Ding presents and deals with live processes and experiences in a thorough and novel fashion.

Exhibitions/projects include:

ZHANG DING: CON TROL CLUB, Fosun Foundation, Shanghai, (2020);

NO ECHO, Residence of the French Consul General in Shanghai, (2020);

HIGH-SPEED FORMS, Solo Exhibition, OCAT Shanghai, (2019);

SAFE HOUSE, ZHANG Ding Solo Exhibition, the Bunker, Wyoming Project and the KWM artcenter,(2018);

VORTEX, ZHANG Ding Solo Exhibition, ShanghART, Shanghai (2017);

CON TROL CLUB, Launch Project, Shanghai (2016);

Devouring Time, RAM, Shanghai (2016);

Enter the Dragon III, Gillman Barracks, Singapore (2016);

Enter the Dragon II, chi K11 Art Museum, Shanghai (2016);

Enter the Dragon, ICA London, UK (2015);

Orbit of Rock, ShanghART, Beijing, China (2014);

Orbit: ZHANG Ding Solo Project, The Armory Show, Focus Section, New York, U.S.A. (2014);

Gold & Silver, ZHANG Ding Solo Exhibition, Galerie Krinzinger, Wien, Austria (2013);

Meanwhile... Suddenly, and Then, the Biennale of Lyon, Lyon, France (2013);

Perspectives 180 - Unfinished Country: New Video from China, The Contemporary Art Museum in Houston, U.S.A. (2012)

Solo Exhibitions

04.02 - 07.02, 2023

Into the Unknown, 502 Space, Hangzhou

09.05, 2020 - 11.01, 2020

ZHANG DING: CON TROL CLUB, Fosun Foundation, Shanghai

06.20, 2020 - 08.01, 2020

NO ECHO, Residence of the French Consul General in Shanghai

10.19, 2019 - 03.08, 2020

HIGH-SPEED FORMS, Solo Exhibition, OCAT Shanghai

08.04, 2018 - 09.04, 2018

Safe House, ZHANG Ding Solo Exhibition, Beijing

09.23, 2017 - 10.27, 2017

Vortex, ZHANG Ding Solo Exhibition, ShanghART, Shanghai

11.11, 2016

CON TROL CLUB, Launch Project, 1262 Yan'an West road, Shanghai

09.03, 2016 - 09.11, 2016

Zhang Ding: Devouring Time, RAM HIGHLIGHT 2016, Rockbund Art Museum, No. 20 Huqiu Rd.

Shanghai

05.21, 2016 - 06.25, 2016

Enter the Dragon II, chi K11 Art Museum, Shanghai

03.23, 2016 - 03.26, 2016

ZHANG Ding- 18 Cubes, Solo Project in Art Basel HK 2016 Encounter Section, Hong Kong Convention & Exhibition Centre, Hong Kong

10.12, 2015 - 11.15, 2015

Enter the Dragon, ICA, London, UK

03.21, 2015 - 06.21, 2015

Black Substance, Shanghai Museum of Glass, Shanghai

04.30, 2014 - 06.08, 2014

Zhang Ding: Orbit of Rock, ShanghART, Beijing

03.05, 2014 - 03.09, 2014

Orbit: ZHANG Ding Solo Project, The Armory Show, Focus Section, New York, U.S.A.

04.10, 2013 - 05.05, 2013

Gold & Silver, ZHANG Ding Solo Exhibition, Galerie Krinzinger, Austria

06.02, 2012 - 07.15, 2012

Buddha Jumps over the Wall, ZHANG Ding Solo Exhibition, Top Contemporary Art Centre,

Shanghai

05.21, 2011 - 07.20, 2011

Opening, Zhang Ding Solo Exhibition, ShanghART H- Space, Shanghai

08.29, 2009 - 11.05, 2009

Law, Zhang Ding Solo Exhibition, ShanghART, Beijing

06.27, 2008 - 09.27, 2008

ZhangDing, Wind, Krinzinger Projecte, Vienna, Austria

09.04, 2007 - 09.30, 2007

Tools, ShanghART, Shanghai

06.19, 2007 - 07.15, 2007

N Kilometers Towards the West, 2006, ShanghART F- Space, Shanghai

2006

My Photographs Exhibition, Zhang Ding's Solo Exhibition, Shanghai

01.07, 2005 - 01.19, 2005

Big City, BizArt, Shanghai

Group Exhibitions

05.12 - 07.09, 2023

Daily Pursuit, ShanghART Gallery Shanghai, Shanghai

04.21 - 05.23, 2023

Flexibility Carries, Aurora Museum, Shanghai

01.10 - 04.10, 2023

Symphony of All the Changes: the 7th Guangzhou Triennial, Guangdong Museum of Art,

Guangzhou

09.03 - 09.23, 2022

Terrace, Power Station of Art, Shanghai

08.27, 2022 - 02.28, 2023

The Trace of Civilization: The Great Art of Dunhuang, Beijing MInsheng Art Museum, Beijing

06.29 - 10.20, 2022

Path, ShanghART Gallery Beijing, Beijing

06.18 - 09.17, 2022

Your Room, Art You, Taiyuan

04.16 - 07.03, 2022

Common Ground: UCCA 15th Anniversary Patrons Collection Exhibition, UCCA, Beijing

01.01 - 01.15, 2022

The Action As a Gesture, Art Museum of Nanjing University of the Arts, Nanjing

11.26, 2021 - 3.31, 2022

Urban Adventure Spatial Art Exhibition, Shanghai

11.12, 2021 - 12.18, 2021

Emmanuel Taku: It takes two - Temple of deities, M Art Foundation, Shanghai

11.11, 2021 - 02.15, 2022

Mirage or Reality, chi K11 Art Museum, Shanghai

10.23, 2021 - 4.23, 2022

Praise the insignificant dwarf planets, Dangxia Art Space, Beijing

09. 25, 2021 - 10.25, 2021

NL 36 Art Gallery, Lanzhou

06.11, 2021 - 07.11, 2021

Red, The Tank, Shanghai

03.19, 2021 - 06.06, 2021

FLYING BLIND + Debating Spring, Sinan Mansion, Shanghai

11.11, 2020 - 04.18, 2021

Shanghai Salon, Bao Collection, Shanghai

11.07, 2020 -10.31, 2021

Works From the Clouds, Shanghai Museum of Glass, Shanghai

10.15, 2020 -11.15, 2020

Come across ShanghART, Group Exhibition Art Tower, Shanghai

09.25, 2020 - Long Time

Duration Chinese Art in Transformation, Minsheng Art Museum, Beijing

09.27, 2020 - 12.31, 2020

Shanghai Jing'an International Sculpture Project, Shanghai

12.21, 2019 - 04.12, 2020

A rose is a rose is a rose, HOW Art Museum, Wenzhou

11.25, 2019 - 12.01, 2019

ZHANG PEILI AND GENG JIANYI'S STUDENTS - China Academy of Art, West Bund, Shanghai

11.02, 2019 - 12.29, 2019

Shanghai Document, Shanghai Himalayas Museum, Shanghai

09.20, 2019 - 10.31, 2019

Pal ate/ette, Shanghai Gallery of Art, Three on the Bund, Shanghai

07.27, 2019 - 08.28, 2019

SUMMER WIND FLIRTS AMONG WORDS, ShanghART Shanghai, Shanghai

06.25, 2019 - 08.31, 2019

The Exhibition of Annual of Contemporary Art of China, Beijing Minsheng Art Museum, Beijing

05.31, 2019 - 08.31, 2019

1st Airport Biennale, Airport Town, Guangzhou

03.31,2019 -06.30, 2019

NOW IS THE TIME 2019 Wuzhen International Contemporary Art Exhibition

01.18, 2019 - 02.24, 2019

Side Lanes, ShanghART Shanghai, Shanghai

01.17, 2019 - 07.04, 2019

Kollectors Series, chi art space

04.28, 2018 - 05.12, 2018

A World in a Grain of Sand-Mapping Shapes and Sites for Social Geometries, ATLANTIS, Sanya

04.28, 2018 - 05.07, 2018

Market hall, Hkri Taikoo Hui, Shanghai

04.07, 2018 - 04.27, 2018

Presence-Young Artist Exhibition, China Academy of Art, Hangzhou

01.09, 2018 - 03.09, 2018

Take December 12th as the reason, Imagokinetics Lab, Hangzhou

10.29, 2017 - 01.29, 2018

Mass Energy 1862, Shipyard 1862, Shanghai

08.19, 2017 - 12.31, 2017

From POP Art to New Media, ShanghART Singapore, Singapore

08.09, 2017 - 09.10, 2017

Physical Theatre, ShanghART Shanghai, Shanghai

06.25, 2017 - 08.03, 2017

The Exhibition of Annual of Contemporary Art of China, Minsheng Art Museum, Beijing

06.11, 2017 - 09.10, 2017

Bunker- Dialogue, The Bunker, Beijing

06.02, 2017 - 09.10, 2017

Chinese Summer, Astrup Fearnley Museet, Oslo, Norway

12.20, 2016 - 02.20, 2017

20, Fosun Foundation, Shanghai

12.11, 2016 - 12.17, 2016

The Decameron, BMCA Documenting Art, Cao Chang Di, Beijing

11.06, 2016 - 08.31, 2016

MIC/MAC, A2Z Gallery, Paris, France

09.23, 2016 - 11.30, 2016

The Dynamics, ShanghART, Singapore

09.09, 2016 - 12.18, 2016

Yinchuan Biennale—For an Image, Faster Than Light, MOCA Yinchuan, Yinchuan

07.16, 2016 - 08.25, 2016

The Uncertain, or the Shelved..., ShanghART H- Space, Shanghai

07.16, 2016 - 09.04, 2016

The Uncertain, or the Shelved..., ShanghART(M50), Shanghai

06.12, 2016 - 06.26, 2016

The Crocodile in the Pond, 11 artists from ShanghART Gallery - Curated by Alexandra Grimmer,

Museum Art St. Urban and Abbey St. Urban, Luzern, Switzerland

03.03, 2016 - 04.04, 2016

Variationes, 10 Corso Como Gallery - Top Floor, Shanghai

03.03, 2016 - 05.02, 2016

We, A Community of Chinese Contemporary Artists, Chi K11 Art Museum, Shanghai

01.09, 2016 - 03.06, 2016

Things From the Gallery Warehouse 7- B, ShanghART H- Space, Shanghai

11.05, 2015 - 02.15, 2016

Our Real, Your Surreal, Legacy Of Surrealism Within Contemporary China, Chi K11 Art Museum, Shanghai

10.17, 2015 - 11.16, 2015

Editing the Spectacle, the Individual and Working Methods Post- Mediatization, Hive Center for Contemporary Art, Beijing

09.11, 2015 - 01.17, 2016

On Curbstone Jewels and Cobblestones, Second part of an exhibition series with new acquisitions of contemporary Chinese and international art from the Daimler Art Collection, Daimler

Contemporary Berlin, Germany

07.10, 2015 - 10.08, 2015

Shanghai Ever. MOCA. Shanghai

06.02, 2015 - 07.01, 2015

Lumière!, A Poetic Conversation Between Dark And Bright, Shanghai 21th Century Art Museum, Shanghai

04.10, 2015 - 04.25, 2015

Lumière, Xin Dong Cheng Gallery, Beijing

04.04, 2015 - 08.30, 2015

Essential Matters- Moving Images from China, Borusan Contemporary Perili Kosk, Istanbul, Turkey 03.17, 2015 - 07.12, 2015

Myth / History II: Shanghai Galaxy, YUZ Museum, Shanghai

12.28, 2014 - 01.30, 2015

Rouge, Shanghai Night Club, Shanghai

12.19, 2014 - 03.01, 2015

2014 OCAT- Pierre Huber Prize Shortlist Exhibition, OCT Contemporary Art Terminal, Shanghai 06.07, 2014 - 09.28, 2014

My Generation: Young Chinese Artists, Tampa Museum of Art, Tampa, FL. and Museum of Fine Arts, St. Petersburg, Florida, U.S.A.

05.30, 2014 - 06.30, 2014

In & Out Réel ShanghART, Réel Department Store, Shanghai

03.27, 2014 - 03.30, 2014

Art Paris Art Fair 2014, Grand Palais, Paris, France

03.12, 2014 - 06.29, 2014

Pandamonium: Media Art from Shanghai, Kunstquartier Bethanien, Mariannenlatz 2, Berlin, Germany

01.08, 2014 - 02.17, 2014

Starlight, ShanghART(M50), Shanghai

01.01, 2014 - 06.01, 2014

Video Art at Bhau Daji Lad Museum, Bhau Daji Lad Museum, Mumbai, India

12.13, 2013 - 03.12, 2014

Studio, M50 Art Space, Shanghai

09.23, 2013

DramaSuspended: Undressing the Present, Alain Badiou and the artists, Mecooon Space, Shanghai

09.12, 2013 - 01.05, 2014

La Biennale de Lyon 2013, Lyon, France

09.06, 2013 - 11.24, 2013

Clutch, ShanghART H- Space, Shanghai

06.20, 2013 - 08.11, 2013

Revel, Celebrating MoCA's 8 Years in Shanghai, MoCA, Shanghai

06.06, 2013 - 06.30, 2013

Foundational Work II, ShanghART H- Space, Shanghai

03.02, 2013 - 04.21, 2013

"Point at a Deer, Call It a Horse" Zhi Lu Wei Ma, CUL DE SAC GALLERY, London, U.K.

02.22, 2013 - 06.16, 2013

Moving on Asia, Towards a New Art Network 2004- 2013, City Gallery Wellington, New Zealand 01.12, 2013 - 04.14, 2013

ONIOFF, Ullens Center for Contemporary Art (UCCA), Beijing

11.25, 2012 - 12.31, 2012

Just What Is It About The End of The World That Makes It So Appealing?, V- ART CENTER, Shanghai

11.02, 2012 - 02.17, 2013

Perspectives 180 - Unfinished Country, New Video from China, The Contemporary Art Museum in Houston, U.S.A.

09.05, 2012 - 10.05, 2012

EDIT: Image Fetish and Phobia, ShanghART H- Space, Shanghai

07.21, 2012 - 08.19, 2012

Uninkable, TOP Contemporary Art Center, Shanghai

05.24. 2012 - 06.07. 2012

TransMedia Art & Fashion Exhibition, Shanghai Sculpture Space, Shanghai

03.30, 2012 - 05.04, 2012

Formant, Forms of Listening to Forms, VART CENTER, Shanghai

03.24, 2012 - 04.01, 2012

Raze, Pekin Fine Arts, Beijing

12.10, 2011 - 12.25, 2011

Never Forget the Image Struggle!, TOP Contemporary Art Center, Shanghai

11.12, 2011 - 11.30, 2011

Alternative Narrative, V Art Center, Shanghai

10.21, 2011 - 11.25, 2011

Alfred Dunhill "Homework" Art Exhibition, Alfred Dunhill, Shanghai

09.09, 2011 - 11.27, 2011

Moving Image in China: 1988-2011, Minsheng Art Museum, Shanghai

09.06, 2011 - 10.05, 2011

Poster Exhibition, TOP Events, Shanghai

02.17, 2011 - 03.24, 2011

A Pile of Passion, ShanghART(M50), Shanghai

01.02, 2011 - 03.10, 2011

Things From the Gallery Warehouse 3, Huang Kui & Zhang Ding, ShanghART H- Space, Shanghai 01.01, 2011 - 01.07, 2011

How We To Do?, Heng Lu Art Museum, Hangzhou

11.21, 2010 - 11.25, 2010

In the Garden, Contemporary Art Exhibition, Hangzhou

11.07, 2010 - 02.27, 2011

China Power Station: Part IV, Pinacoteca Agnelli, Torino, Italy

Oct,2010 - Jun,2011

DIAL 62761232, A Document On A Contemporary Art Event, ShanghART Taopu, Shanghai

03.20, 2010 - 05.16, 2010

Fairy Tale, Vanguard gallery, Shanghai

03.06, 2010 - 05.16, 2010

Jungle: A Close- Up Focus on Chinese Contemporary Art Trends, Platform China, Beijing

02.27, 2010 - 04.11, 2010

The Tell- Tale Heart, James Cohan Gallery Shanghai

09.10, 2009 - 09.14, 2009

Bourgeoisified Proletariat, Contemporary Art Exhibition in Songjiang, Shanghai Songjiang Creative Studio, Shanghai

09.09, 2009 - 10.10, 2009

Shanghai History in Making from 1979 Till 2009, Shanghai

08.18, 2009 - 09.12, 2009

Warm Up, Minsheng Art Museum, Shanghai

06.20, 2009 - 08.23, 2009

Portrait of the Youth, J&Z Gallery, Shenzhen

05.30, 2009 - 07.19, 2009

Shanghai Kino, Kunsthalle Bern, Switzerland

05.23, 2009 - 06.30, 2009

Blackboard, ShanghART H- Space, Shanghai

02.27, 2009 - 03.27, 2009

Another Scene, Artists' Projects, Concepts and Ideas, ShanghART H- Space, Shanghai

09.06, 2008 - 09.28, 2008

Insomnia, Photographs Exhibition, BizART, Shanghai

03.01, 2008 - 04.06, 2008

Building Code Violations II, Long March Space, Beijing

02.27, 2008 - 05.04, 2008

SHANGHYPE, Futura, Prague, Czech Republic

09.08, 2007 - 12.02, 2007

China Power Station: Part II, Astrup Fearnley Museum of Modern Art, Oslo, Norway

2007

China Power Station: Part III, National Art Museum, Luxembourg

2007

No Lost, Losting, Hangzhou

12.15, 2006 - 12.20, 2006

It's All Right, Contemporary Art Exhibition, Hu Qing Tang Museum of Traditional Chinese Medicine, Hangzhou

05.20, 2006 - 05.27, 2006

Thirty- Eight Solo Exhibitions, 2577 Longhua Road Creative Garden, Shanghai

2006

Cine City, The Brighton Film Festival, Brighton, UK

2006

Restless, Photography and New Media, MoCA, Shanghai

11.18, 2005 - 01.15, 2006

The Second Guangzhou Triennial Self Organisation, BizART: How to Turn Guangzhou into Shanghai, Xinyi International Club, Guangzhou

10.20, 2005 - 10.30, 2005

Something Is Happening!, Maple- poplar Woods - In Orioles Singing in the Willows Park, Hangzhou

06.02, 2005 - 06.04, 2005

A Lot of Ash - A Lot of Dust, Videos & Performance, BizART, Shanghai

2004 09.10, 2004 - 09.20, 2004

Dial 62761232 (Express Delivery Exhibition), Contemporary Art Exhibition, BizArt, Shanghai

Projects

11.19, 2021 - 12.5, 2021

Acne Studios pop-up store, Reel plaza, Shanghai

11.11, 2021 - 11.28, 2021

Art'n Dior, West bank arts centre, Shanghai

10.19, 2021

Orange star, Metersbonwe Spring/Summer 2022, West Bund Dome, Shanghai 10.09, 2021

LV 200, Paris / Beijing / Shanghai / New York / Milan / London etc.

09.26, 2021 - 10.26, 2021

Art'n Dior, Shenzhen museum of contemporary art and urban planning, Shenzhen

07.30, 2021 - 08.02, 2021

China Joy Shanghai, New international expo centre, Shanghai

09.09, 2020

Samsung Galaxy Z Fold2 5G Mobile Launch, Shanghai & Beijing

07.13, 2020

Phosphorescence, Paris Fashion Week, Paris, French

10.11, 2019

NETZACH, The Bund Finance Center, Shanghai

11.19, 2019

The Compiler Screenings 2019, Passageways, Project Kult.kino Atelier, Basel

03.30, 2019

DISIKOU, TANK, Shanghai

01.13, 2019

Hypercube, YIN 2019 CHAOYINFABUYE, Nanjing

12.18, 2018 - 02.20, 2018

AJB (2018), MIXC(Shenzhen Bay), Shenzhen

12.16. 2017 - 12.22. 2017

"!Re-TROS Re-TROS!",Shanghai&Beijing

11.11, 2017 - 11.26, 2017d

"BOHAI XI LEIYIN", Shanghai&Chengdu

08.12, 2017

GOLD CAN MOVE THE GOD YINGPENGYING BROTHERHOOD CONCERT 2017, Modernsky Lab, Shanghai

03.08, 2017 - 03.11, 2017

18 Cubes, Design Shanghai, Shanghai Exhibition Center, Shanghai

09.22, 2016 - 09.23, 2016

Zhang Ding: Enter the Dragon Singapore, 7 Lock Road, Gillman Barracks, Singapore

09.05, 2016 - 09.06, 2016

INVISIBLE, KEE Club, 796 Huaihai Middle Road, Shanghai

09.24, 2014 - 10.26, 2014

Shanghai Deal, Self- organized Art Fair, Radical Space, Shanghai

12.20, 2013

Yueshi, Imagokinetics Lab, Hangzhou

12.01, 2013 - 12.03, 2013

ZHANG Ding Project: Fine Relationship, K11 Art Mall, Shanghai

12.30, 2011 - 12.31, 2011

Prevent 2012 - Doomsday Party, TOP Contemporary Art Center, Shanghai

09.03, 2011 - 12.07, 2011

Huge Character, Cooperation Project by SUN Xun, TANG Maohong, ZHANG Ding, ShanghART, Beijing

09.28, 2010 - 11.21, 2010

Alfred Dunhill's Namiki Journey Window, Alfred Dunhill Artist Collaboration Project, Shanghai

Film Festivals

10.09, 2008 - 10.19, 2008

Festival Shadows 2008 Chinese Independent cinema, Centre Pompidou, Paris, France 11.09, 2007 - 11.11, 2007

Artissima Cinema, Shanghype!, Portrait of the City from Dawn to Dusk, Mirafiori Motor Village, Turin, Italy

Collections

Multimedia Art Museum, Moscow, Russia Astrup Fearnley Museum, Oslo, Norway DSL Collection, Beijing Guy & Myriam Ullens Foundation, Switzerland Fosun Foundation Shanghai, Shanghai K11 Art Foundation, Shanghai TANK Shanghai, Shanghai White Rabbit Gallery, Sydney, Australia OCAT Shanghai, Shanghai