

# JIANNAN WU

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## SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2020 *Collisions*, Time Arts Gallery, New York, New York

2020 *Reliefs*, Joseph R. and Paul W. Gates Gallery, West Nottingham Academy, Colora, Maryland

2018 *Metroland*, Amerasia Bank Art Gallery, Flushing, New York

## SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2023

- *In the Studio: NYAA Faculty Exhibition*, New York Academy of Art, New York, New York

2022

- *Take Home a Nude*, Chelsea Industrial, New York
- *Lost in Translation*, Gallery Poulsen, Copenhagen, Danmark
- *Summer Exhibition*, New York Academy of Art, New York, New York
- *Contemporary Perspectives*, Gallery Poulsen, Copenhagen, Danmark
- *Gallery Poulsen's Winter Salon*, Gallery Poulsen, Copenhagen, Danmark

2021

- *Artists for Artists*, The Sotheby's, New York, New York
- *Jahresgaben 2021*, Bonner Kunstverein Museum, Bonn, Germany
- *A Tale of Two Cities*, Enjoy Art Museum, Beijing, China
- *The Intouchables*, Gallery Poulsen, Copenhagen, Danmark
- *The Holding Environment, Chapter II*, Bonner Kunstverein Museum, Bonn, Germany
- *The Push*, High Line Nine, New York, New York
- *The Holding Environment, Chapter I*, Bonner Kunstverein Museum, Bonn, Germany
- *Memento Mori*, Sugarlift, New York, New York
- *Parallels&Peripheries*, New York Academy of Art, New York, New York

2020

- *Apocalypse Now--New Art from New York and Other Places*, Gallery Poulsen, Copenhagen, Danmark
- *Artists for Artists*, New York Academy of Art, New York, New York
- *2020 Vision*, Southampton Arts Center, Southampton, New York

2019

- *Exhibition and Silent Auction featuring artworks of Jiannan Wu and his Whittle Students*, Whittle School & Studios, Shenzhen, China
- *The 13th National Exhibition of Fine Arts*, Chongqing Contemporary Art Museum, Chongqing, China
- *Aestas*, Dacia Gallery, New York, New York
- *Summer Exhibition*, New York Academy of Art, New York, New York
- *We All Belong*, The Church of the Heavenly Rest, New York, New York

- *Cross-Cultural Practice*, New York City College of Technology, New York, New York
- *Phantasmagoria*, New York Academy of Art, New York, New York

2018

- *Optimism*, EFA Project Space, New York, New York
- *Take Home A Nude*, The Sotheby's, New York, New York
- *Emerging*, Elizabeth Foundation for the Arts, New York, New York
- *DRAW*, Sugarlift, New York, New York
- *New York State of Mind--Art America Dalian 2018*, X Gallery, Dalian, China
- *Summer Exhibition*, Flowers Gallery, New York, New York
- *Texture Temperature Weight--AMSA Member Exhibition*, Medialia Gallery, New York, New York
- *Season Opening*, Accesso Galleria, Pietrasanta, Italy
- *New Youth: China-America Young Artists Exhibition*, Metropolitan Pavilion, New York, New York
- *Beyond Figuration--Art America Beijing 2018*, Chengxi Contemporary Art Center, Beijing, China

2017

- *Power of Silence*, Art Lines Gallery, Hackensack, New Jersey
- *The Drawing Exhibit*, Clubhouse Gallery, West Hartford, Connecticut
- *Take Home a Nude*, Sotheby's New York, New York
- *Single Fare 4*, Highline Stages, New York, New York
- *Materials Matters Sculpture Show*, Accesso Gallery, Pietrasanta, Italy
- *Season Opening*, Accesso Gallery, Pietrasanta, Italy
- *Carrara Residency Merit Award Celebration*, ABC Stone, New York, New York
- *WAVELENGTH II*, The Hole Gallery, New York, New York
- *Emerging Artist 2017*, Clubhouse Gallery, West Hartford, Connecticut

2016

- *Picturing the Unprintable*, Flux Factory, New York, New York
- *Graduate 2016*, Gallery Poulsen, Copenhagen, Denmark
- *MFA National Competition Winner Exhibition*, First Street Gallery, New York, New York
- *Summer Exhibition*, Flowers Gallery, New York, New York
- *MFA Thesis Exhibition 2016*, New York Academy of Art, New York, New York
- *Giverny Residency Exhibition*, New York Academy of Art, New York, New York
- *Rover 2016 Art Show*, Starr Space Gallery, New York, New York
- *The Westminster Kennel Club 140<sup>th</sup> Annual Dog Show*, Pier 92/94, New York, New York
- *Cross-Culture Dialogue: Sino-American Art Students Exhibition*, Jacob K. Javits Convention Center, New York, New York
- "RE-", Flux Factory Gallery, New York, New York

2015

- *Deck the Walls*, New York Academy of Art, New York, New York

2014

- *China Academy of Art Graduation Exhibition*, China Academy of Art Museum, Hangzhou, China

2013

- *China Academy of Art Sculpture Exhibition*, China Academy of Art Museum, Hangzhou, China
- *EXISTENCE—Department of Sculpture Optional Exhibition*, Hangzhou, China
- *China Academy of Art PER—Design Sculpture Exhibition*, China Academy of Art Museum, Hangzhou, China

## **ART FAIRS**

- 2023 *Art Herning*, MCH Herning Congress Center, Herning, Denmark
- 2022 *Art Miami*, One Herald Plaza, Miami, Florida
- 2022 *Art Herning*, MCH Herning Congress Center, Herning, Denmark
- 2021 *Art Miami*, The Art Miami Pavilion, Miami, Florida
- 2020 *Art Xiamen Online Fair*
- 2019 *Art Miami*, The Art Miami Pavilion, Miami, Florida
- 2019 *Art Shenzhen*, Shenzhen Convention and Exhibition Center, Shenzhen, China
- 2019 *Art New York*, Pier 94, New York, New York
- 2018 *Art Miami*, The Art Miami Pavilion, Miami, Florida
- 2017 *Art Herning*, MCH Herning Congress Center, Herning, Denmark
- 2016 *Accessible Art Fair New York*, The National Arts Club, New York, New York

## **CURATED EXHIBITIONS**

- 2021 *A Tale of Two Cities*, Enjoy Art Museum, Beijing, China
- 2018 *New York State of Mind--Art America Dalian 2018*, X Gallery, Dalian, China
- 2018 *Beyond Figuration--Art America Beijing 2018*, Chengxi Contemporary Art Center, Beijing, China

## **SELECTED AWARDS/HONORS**

- 2022 *Dexter Jones Award*, National Sculpture Society
- 2022 *Ten outstanding Young Chinese in America*, All America Chinese Youth Federation
- 2021 *100 Best 2020*, Creative Quarterly
- 2020 *The Best Original Sculpture in 2019* for work “*The Curious Case*”, Sculpture Magazine of China
- 2020 *Special Mention* for work “*New York New York*”, MOZAIK Future Art Awards
- 2020 *AACYF Top 30 under 30*, All America Chinese Youth Federation
- 2020 *Best of Show Award* for work “*Country Love: New Look*”, Creative Quarterly 59 Competition
- 2019 *Winner*, “Dalian Gift”--The first Dalian Cultural Creativity and Tourism Souvenir Competition
- 2019 *Finalist*, 14th International Art Renewal Center Salon Competition
- 2019 *Grantee*, The Elizabeth Greenshields Foundation Grant
- 2017 *Dexter Jones Award*, National Sculpture Society
- 2016 *Winner*, MFA National Competition
- 2016 *Compleat Sculptor Award*
- 2016 *Finalist*, IMAGINE: the Genesis Prize Design Competition
- 2016 *Nominee*, Outstanding Student Achievement in Contemporary Sculpture Award
- 2016 *Curator Selected Award*, Cross Cultural Dialogue: Sino-American Art Students Exhibition
- 2015 *Runner-up*, the Westminster Kennel Club 140<sup>th</sup> Annual Dog Show Poster Contest
- 2014 *Bronze Award*, China Academy of Art Graduation Exhibition

## **RESIDENCIES**

- 2019 West Nottingham Academy Eric Fischl ‘66 Artist-in-Residence Teaching Program, Colora, Maryland
- 2019 Whittle School & Studios Residency, Shenzhen, China
- 2016 Con Artist Winter Residency, New York, New York
- 2016 ABC Stone Carrara Merit Award Residency, Carrara, Italy
- 2015 Terra Foundation Residency for American Art, Giverny, France

## **SELECTED MEDIA REPORTS**

**2022**

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“The Young Generation Surpasses! This Sculptor Creates Miracles by His Hands.” *Attracted to Sculpting*, Feb. 13, 2021, <https://mp.weixin.qq.com/s/0NWuvSmgseyMxf2R2EoLyg>.

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## 2019

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## **EDUCATION**

**New York Academy of Art, New York, NY**  
MFA in Sculpture  
**China Academy of Art, Hangzhou, China**  
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