

LIU BOLIN

BIOGRAFIA



«Il camaleonte ha la straordinaria prerogativa di cambiare colore per uniformarsi al colore dello sfondo come forma di auto-protezione. [...]Gli esseri umani non sono animali perché non sanno proteggere se stessi».

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Nato nel 1973 nella provincia nordica dello Shandong, Liu Bolin si è formato alla prestigiosa Accademia Centrale d'Arte Applicata come studente del noto artista Sui Jianguo, suo mentore agli inizi della carriera, Liu appartiene alla generazione che divenne adulta nei primi anni '90, quando la Cina risorse dalle ceneri della Rivoluzione Culturale e stava iniziando a intraprendere una rapida crescita economica e una relativa stabilità politica.

Liu Bolin è conosciuto soprattutto per la sua serie di foto di performance *Hiding in the City* in cui tocca i temi universali del rapporto uomo-natura e tra pensiero e potere politico. La ricerca in questo solco è iniziata nel 2006 nel Suojia Village di Pechino, smantellato nel novembre di quell'anno dalle autorità, e non si è ancora arrestata.

Dalla sua prima personale a Pechino nel 1998, il lavoro di Liu Bolin ha ricevuto riconoscimenti internazionali. Tra gli altri eventi, le sue foto e le sculture tipiche della sua produzione sono state esposte nel più importante festival di fotografia contemporanea *Les Rencontres d'Arles*, e ha tenuto mostre personali alla Dashanzi Art Zone di Pechino (2007), alla Galleria Bertin-Toublanc di Parigi (2007), da Eli Klein Fine Art a New York (2008) e alla Galleria Boxart di Verona (2008/2010). Oggi vive e lavora a Pechino.

BIOGRAPHY

«All chameleon species are able to change their skin colour. Rattlesnake can bury most of the body in sand soil. [...] Human beings are not animals. Because they do not know how to protect themselves..»

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Born in 1973 in the northern province of Shandong, Liu Bolin trained at the prestigious Central Academy of Fine Arts, a student of the renowned artist Sui Jianguo, who mentored him at the beginning of his career. Liu belongs to the generation that came of age in the early 1990s, when China emerged from the rubble of the Cultural Revolution and was beginning to enjoy rapid economic growth and relative political stability.

*Liu Bolin is best known for his series of performance photography *Hiding in the City*.*

*Since his first solo shows in Beijing in 1998, Liu Bolin's work has received international recognition. Among other international venues, his distinctive photographs and sculptures have been shown at the major contemporary photography festival *Les Rencontres d'Arles* and he had solo shows at *Dashanzi Art Zone in Beijing (2007)*, *Galerie Bertin-Toublanc in Paris (2007)*, *Eli Klein Fine Art in New York (2008)*, *Boxart Gallery in Verona (2008/2010)*. He now lives and works in Beijing.*

LIU BOLIN CV

1973 Nato nella provincia dello Shandong

1995 Diplomato al Dipartimento d'Arte dell'Istituto d'arte dello Shandong

2001 Master al Dipartimento di Scultura dell'Accademia d'Arti Applicate

Resume

1973 Born in Shandong province China

1995 Graduated from the Art Department of Shandong Arts Institute with a bachelor degree

2001 Graduated from the Sculpture Department of Central Academy of Fine Arts with a master degree

Mostre personali /Selected Solo Shows

2012

Retrospective, Magda Gallery, Shanghai, China

"Lost in fashion", Eli Klein Fine Art New York, USA

"Hide in the city", Ekaterina Cultural Foundation, Moscow, Russia

2011

"The Invisible Man," Eli Klein Fine Art, New York, NY, USA

"Liu Bolin," Fotografiska Museet, Stockholm, Sweden

"The Invisible Man," Vänermuseet, Lidköping, Sweden

Paris-Beijing photo gallery 798 Art Zone, Beijing, China

2010

"Hiding in Italy", Fondazione FORMA per la Fotografia, Milano, Italy

"Hiding in the City," Museo de Bellas Artes, Caracas, Venezuela

Sunshine International Art Museum, Songzhuang, Beijing, China

"Hiding in the City", Sylvia White Gallery, Ventura, California, USA

"Liu Bolin", Young Gallery, Bruxelles, Belgium

Eli Klein Fine Art, New York, USA

2009

"Hiding in the City" Galeria Tagomago, Barcelona, Spain

"Getting Accustomed to Being Impermanent" Vanguard Gallery, Shanghai, China

"Hiding in the City" Yu Gallery, Paris, France

2008

"Hide and seek", Boxart Galleria d'Arte di Verona, Italy

Liu Bolin Solo Exhibition, Bertin--Toublanc Gallery, Paris, France

Liu Bolin Solo Exhibition, 798 Art Zone, Beijing, China

Lin Bolin Solo Exhibition, Bridge Art Center, Beijing, China

Liu Bolin Solo Exhibition, Eastlink Gallery, Shanghai, China

Liu Bolin Solo Exhibition, Hotsun Art Space, 798 Art Zone, Beijing, China

Liu Bolin's live Solo Exhibition, Adler Gallery, Paris, France

Liu Bolin Solo Exhibition, Ifa Gallery, Shanghai, China

Liu Bolin solo Exhibition, Eli Klein Gallery, New York, USA

2007

Liu Bolin Solo Exhibition, Bertin-Toublanc Gallery, Miami, USA

Sculpture's Exhibition of Liu Bolin, Hotsun Art Space, 798 Art Zone, Beijing, China

"Distortion" Exhibition of Liu Bolin, Hotsun Art Space, 798 Art Zone, Beijing, China

Photo Solo Exhibition, Bertin-Toublanc Gallery Paris, France

2001

Haiyang Sculpture Works Exhibition, Beijing Passage, Beijing, China

1998

Haiyang Works Exhibition, Shandong province, China

Mostre collettive / Selected Group Shows

2008

International Art Exhibition Sunshine Museum, Songzhuang Art Zone, Beijing, China

"Being" Contemporary art Exhibition, Jinan, Shandong province, China

Chinese Contemporary Art Exhibition, Liverpool, Great Britain

"Force-Form" International Contemporary Art, 798 Art Zone, Beijing, China
Exhibition, The Converted-Image, Dax Art Space, Beijing, China

2007

Modern China: Lost in Transition, Eli Klein Gallery, New York, USA

Computer Men Art Exhibition, Seasons Gallery, Beijing, China

"Far Away From City" Photography Group Exhibition, Ifa Contemporary Art Center, Shanghai, China

Song Zhuang Art Festival-2007 Chinese Visual Files, Songzhuang Art Zone, China

Cooperation-Group Exhibition of Chinese and Chile, Artists No.1 Art Base, Beijing, China

Made in Bei Jing--Chinese Contemporary Art, Korea.

Olympic Sculptures International Exhibition, Millennium Monument, Beijing, China

"Memory" Contemporary Art Exhibition, New York Art Center, 798 Art Zone, Beijing, China

Chinese Contemporary Art Exhibition, New Gallery, Houston, USA

ARLES International Photo Exhibition, Arles, France

United Exhibition of Communities at the foot of the Great Wall Red Gate Gallery, Beijing, China

Made in China--Chinese Contemporary Art, Duolun Museum of Modern Art, Shanghai, China

"Union" Exhibition of Chinese and Overseas Artists No.1 Art Base, Beijing, China

"Union in June" Chinese Performance Art Exhibition Songzhuang Art Zone, Beijing, China

"China Dream" Chinese Contemporary Art Exhibition Adler Gallery, Paris, France

"Back" United Exhibition of Three Artists Hotsun Art Space, Beijing, China

"After..." Contemporary Art Exhibition New Art Project 798 Art Zone, Beijing, China

Resetting—Suojia Village Contemporary, Art Exhibition Suojia Village, Beijing, China

"Review Exhibition of Chinese Performance Art Photos" Ying Gallery, 798 Art Zone, Beijing, China

"Off centre Generation—Post-1970s Group Exhibition" 751 Space, 798 Art Zone, Beijing, China

The First "Breathing" Shan Dong Contemporary Art Great Exhibition, Jinan, Shandong province, China

2006

China Contemporary Art Exhibition, Bertin-Toublanc Gallery, Paris, France

The Second "impact power" Contemporary Art Exhibition Songzhuang Art Zone, Beijing, China

"Visit by yourself" Exhibition Songzhuang Art Zone, Beijing, China

Beijing View Exhibition, Ner Art Project Dashanzi Art Zone, Beijing, China

Satellite Exhibition Shanghai, China

Qingzhou International Contemporary Art Exhibition, Qingzhou Museum, Shandong, China

Asia Contemporary Art Exhibition, Korea

"Redstar, Redstar, Redstar" Contemporary Art Exhibition Red Star Gallery Dashanzi Art Zone, Beijing, China

Nan Jing "Reference inside and outside" Exhibition Nanjing, China

"Demolish CHINA", Beijing Contemporary Art Exhibition 751 Factory, Dashanzi Art Zone, Beijing, China

Sculpture Exhibition for 2008 Olympic, Jintai Museum, Beijing, China

Opening of Beijing Distillery Art studio, Beijing Wine Factory Art Zone, China

"Grey and red" Contemporary Art Exhibition, Dashanzi Art Zone, Beijing, China

2005

Contemporary Art Exhibition of Dismantle at Xiyuantianlu Business Hall, Beijing, China

Beijing Calligraphy Exhibition, be Art Centre, Dashanzi Art Zone, Beijing, China.

Luxury times -- Tianjin Harbour Plaza Cheung Chau, Chinese Contemporary Sculpture Exhibition, Tianjin, China

"Dismantle -dismantle-dismantle", Contemporary Art Exhibition of Beijing Suojia Village International Arts Camp, Beijing, China

2001

"Life is Beautiful" --2001 West Lake International, Sculpture Exhibition Hangzhou Art Museum, China

The Second Invited Sculpture Works Exhibition of Contemporary Young Sculptor, Hangzhou Art Museum, China

The First Sculpture Competition Exhibition, Fujian, China

1999

The Second Metals Work Exhibition of Central Academy of Fine Arts, Beijing, China

Prize

I classificato al / winner at "Premio Aletti per la Fotografia" con/ with "Teatro alla Scala n°1"

Collezioni/Collection

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