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Yao Jui Chung TKG⁺

Vimalā-bhūmi



Vimalā-bhūmi: Nāgārjuna's Middle Way | 2019 | Gold leaf and ink pen on Indian handmade paper | 200 x 450 cm



 $\emph{Vimalā-bhūmi: Tomiri} \mid$ 2019 \mid Gold leaf and ink pen on Indian handmade paper \mid 200 x 600 cm

Incarnation



Holy Light Sculpture Factory, Yangmei Dist., Taoyuan City | 2016-2017 | Fiber-based Gelatin Silver Print | 18.5 x 23.5 cm



Incarnation | 2017-2018 | Installation view of the solo exhibition — Incarnation, TKG-, Taipei, Taiwan



Incarnation | 2017-2018 | Installation view, in solo exhibition "Incarnation", TKG-, Taipei

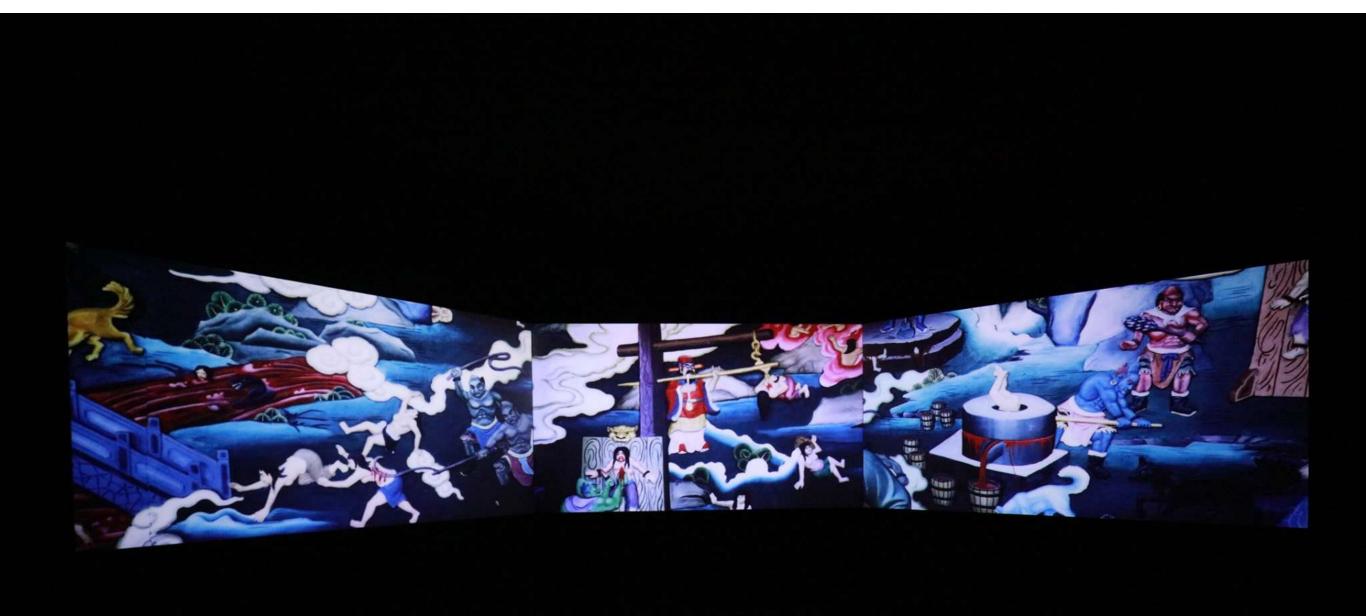


Incarnation (Three-channel video) | 2017 | Video installation | 14:28 minutes

Hell Plus



Hell Plus | 2018 | Polaroid | 50 x 50 cm



Cliffs & Gully: Cave Paradise





Cliffs & Gully: Hiking together forever | 2018 | Gold leaf and ink pen on Indian handmade paper | 110 x 110 cm

Yao Jui-Chung Born in 1969 in Taipei, Taiwan Lives and works in Taipei, Taiwan

Graduated from the Taipei National University of the Arts with a degree in art theory, he has exhibited internationally. In 1997, he represented Taiwan in "Facing Faces-Taiwan" at the Venice Biennale. After that, he took part in the International Triennale of Contemporary Art Yokohama (2005), APT6 (2009), Taipei Biennial (2010), Shanghai Biennale (2012), Beijing Photo Biennale (2013), Shenzhen Sculpture Biennale, Venice Architecture Biennale, Media City Seoul Biennale, Asia Triennial Manchester (2014), Asia Biennale (2015), Sydney Biennale (2016), and Shanghai Biennale (2018). Yao is the winner of the Multitude Art Prize (Hong Kong) in 2013 and 2014 Asia pacific Art Prize (Singapore). He received the Taishin Arts Award (Taiwan) in 2018. He is also widely involved in the fields of theater and films.

Yao specializes in photography, installation, and painting. The themes of his works are varied, but they all examine the absurdity of the human condition. Representative works include the "Action Series," where he explores Taiwan's identity in *Military Takeover* (1994), subverts modern Chinese political myths in *Recovering Mainland* China (1997), and examines post-colonialism in *The World is for All* (1997–2000), as well as *Long March* — *Shifting the Universe* (2002).

In recent years, he has created photo installations combining the style of "gold and green landscape" with the superstitions that permeate Taiwanese folklore, expressing a false and alienated "cold reality" that is specific to Taiwan. Representative works include the series "Celestial Barbarians" (2000), "Savage Paradise" (2000), and "Heaven" (2001). Another photo installation series "Libido of Death" (2002) and "Hill" (2003) probe the eternal issue of body and soul.

Recently, Yao Jui-Chung has assembled all the black-and-white photos of ruins he took in the past 15 years, grouped under the themes of industry, religious idols, architecture, and military bases. They reveal the enormous ideological black hole in Taiwan hidden behind the trends of globalization and Taiwan's specific historical background as a continuation of the main theme of his work: the absurdity of the historical destiny of humanity.

Since 2007, Yao has started a series of works, including *Wonderful* (2007), *Dust in the Wind* (2008–2010), *Dreamy* (2008–2010), *Romance* (2009) and *Honeymoon* (2010–2011). He appropriates masterpieces from Chinese art history and reinterprets them in his own way, transforming them into his personal history or real stories in an attempt to turn grand narratives into the trivial affairs of his personal life. Yao intends to usurp the so-called orthodoxy with his recreated landscapes.

n 2010, Yao grouped his students into a team of photography workshop called the "Lost Society Document" (LSD). He encouraged them to photograph and survey in their hometowns. Through the way of field survey, they attempt to portray "mosquito houses," which have been widely criticized. Titled *Mirage: Disused Public Property in Taiwan*, seven volumes of the photographs taken by the LSD have been published, encapsulating art's potential as a tool for social observation.

Apart from art making, Yao Jui-Chung has also curated exhibitions, including *The Realm of Illusion — The New Wave of Taiwan Photography* (2002), *King-Kong Never Dies — The Contemporary Performance & Video Art in Taiwan* (2003), and *Spellbound Aura — The New Vision of Chinese Photography* (2004). His essays have been published in numerous art journals. He is a prolific author, publications including *Installation Art in Taiwan Since 1991–2001* (2002), *The New Wave of Contemporary Taiwan Photography Since 1999* (2003), *Roam the Ruins of Taiwan* (2004), *Performance Art in Taiwan 1978–2004* (2005), *A Walk in Contemporary Art: Roaming the Rebellious Streets* (2005), *Ruined Islands* (2007), *Yao Jui-Chung* (2008), *Beyond Humanity* (2008), *Nebulous Light* (2009), and *Biennial-Hop* (2010), *Mirage: Disused Public Property in Taiwan* I, II, III, IV, V, VI, VII (2010–2018), *Incarnation* (2017), and *Photo-logues* I&II (2018, 2019).

His work is housed in renowned institutions and private collections, including the Taipei Fine Arts Museum, Taipei, Taiwan; Kaohsiung Museum of Fine Arts, Kaohsiung, Taiwan; National Taiwan Museum of Fine Arts, Taichung, Taiwan; Queensland Art Gallery, Brisbane, Australia; Herbert F. Johnson Museum of Art Collection, Cornell University, U.S.; Bibliothèque National de France, Paris, France; Art Museum of Seoul, Seoul, South Korea. Yao Jui-Chung currently works as an artist and associate professor at the Department of Fine Arts of the National Taiwan Normal University. He is also on the board of directors of the National Culture and Arts Foundation.

Education

1994 National Institute of the Arts, Art Theory, Taipei, Taiwan

Solo Exhibitions

- 2019 Vimalā-bhūmi Yao Jui-chung Solo Exhibition, Tina Keng Gallery, Taipei, Taiwan
- 2018 Incarnation-City Pavilions of the 12th Shanghai Biennale "Proregress", Swatch Art Peace Hotel, Shanghai, China Golden Landscape, Dong Gallery, Taipei, Taiwan

 PET: Yao Juichung Solo Exhibition, Turner Galleries, Perth, Australia
- 2017 Incarnation, TKG+, Taipei, Taiwan
 Eight Days a Week, Tina Keng Gallery, Taipei, Taiwan
- 2015 Brain Dead Travelogue, Tina Keng Gallery, Taipei, Taiwan Golden Land, Goedhuis Contemporary, London, U.K.
- 2014 Collateral Event of the 14th International Architecture Exhibition La Biennale di Venezia The Space That Remains: Yao Jui-Chung's "Ruins" Series, Church of Santa Maria della Pietà, Venice, Italy *Good Times Yao Jui-chung Solo Exhibition*, Tina Keng Gallery, Taipei, Taiwan
- 2013 Something Blue, TKG+ Projects, Taipei, Taiwan Long, Long Live, Tina Keng Gallery, Taipei, Taiwan
- 2012 Long Live/Landscape, Tina Keng Gallery, Taipei, Taiwan; Beijing, China
- 2011 Honeymoon, MOT/ARTS, Taipei, Taiwan

 Yao Jui-chung Solo Exhibition Fresh From Taiwan, Michael Goedhuis Gallery, London, U.K.
- 2010 *Dreamy,* Goedhuis Contemporary, London, U.K. *Honeymoon,* Hanart TZ Gallery, Hong Kong, China
- 2009 Romance, In Art Space, Tainan, Taiwan
- 2008 Phantom of History, Galerie Grand Siecle, Taipei, Taiwan
- 2007 *Wonderful,* IT Park, Taipei, Taiwan *Cynic Republic,* VT Artsalon, Taipei, Taiwan
- 2006 Everything will Fall Into Ruin, Taipei Fine Arts Museum, Taipei, Taiwan
- 2005 The Cynic, Chi-Wen Gallery, Taipei, Taiwan
- 2004 Long March Shifted the Universe, IT Park, Taipei, Taiwan
- 2003 Elysium, Aspex Gallery, Portsmouth, U.K.
- 2002 Libido of Death, Lee Ka-Sing Gallery, Toronto, Canada
- 2000 Savage Paradise, Lee Ka-Sing Gallery, Toronto, Canada
- 1998 The Introduction of Taiwan's Contemporary Art vol. 4, MOMA Contemporary, Fukuoka, Japan
- 1997 Recover Mainland China Prophecy & Action, Dimension Endowment of Art, Taipei, Taiwan
- 1996 Recover Mainland China Preface & Prophecy, IT Park Gallery, Taipei, Taiwan
- 1994 Territory Maneuver, IT Park Gallery, Taipei, Taiwan

Selected Group Exhibitions

2019 Art021 Shanghai, Shanghai Exhibition Center, Shanghai, China

Independent Republic Pavilion of Taiwan: Challenges in the Republic, Suwon International Film Festival, Hagguja Gallery, Suwon, Korea

Visual Territory, Biennale de Curitiba, Oscar Niemeyer Museum, Curitiba, Brazil

Behind the Mask: Rose of Modernity, Krasnoyarsk Museum Center, Krasnoyarsk, Russia

Moving & Migration, Gyeonggi Museum of Modern Art, Gyeonggi, Korea

Elysium — The Spiritual Journey of Yao Jui-chung & Su Hui-yu, Casino Luxembourg - Forum d'art contemporain, Luxembourg

Visiting No. 15 Liumagou: Memory, Place, Narrative, Green Island White Terror Memorial Park, Taitung, Taiwan

Generational Difference, Tainan Cultural Center, Tainan, Taiwan

ZODIAC — Scholarship Artist Exhibition, Taitung Art Museum, Taitung, Taiwan

Zero Gravity World, Nam-Seoul Museum of Art, Seoul, Korea

Moving and Migration, Kaohsiung Museum of Fine Arts, Kaohsiung, Taiwan

Taipei Dangdai, Taipei Nangang Exhibition Center, Taipei, Taiwan

2018 Project Island Hopping — Reversing Imperialism: Lander, Vargas Museum, Manila, Philippines

ACC 55th anniversary Artist Exhibition, VT Artsalon, Taipei, Taiwan

A Maiden's Prayer, NTUE Art Gallery (Formerly Nanhai Gallery), Taipei, Taiwan

CRISIS OF NOW — Contemporary Asian Photograph Part 1, Malzfabrik, Berlin, Germany

Contemporary Human Rights Exhibition: Under the Great Leader, Chiang Kai-shek Memorial Hall, Taipei, Taiwan

PLUS Ⅲ— Wang Huaiqing + Yao Jui-chung, Tina Keng Gallery, Taipei, Taiwan

In Bilico — Islands, Taiwan and Sicilia, In-Bilico, Busto Arsizio, Italy

Fame, InArt Space, Tainan, Taiwan

Golden Landscape, Dong Gallery Taipei, Taiwan

The 16th Taishin Arts Award Documentary Exhibition, Taishin Bank Foundation for Arts & Culture, Taipei, Taiwan

TEFAF Maastricht, MECC, Maastricht, Netherlands

Spring Frolicking With Puppies, Daguan Gallery, Taipei, Taiwan

Palm Beach Jewelry, Art & Antique Show, Palm Beach County Convention Center, West Palm Beach, U.S.

The Winter Antiques Show, The Park Avenue Armory, New York, U.S.

Textures of Silence, Kadist, San Francisco, U.S.

Internation Print, Derhorng Art Gallery, Tainan, Taiwan

2017 Video Àsia, Casal Solleric, Spain

Art Miami, The Art Miami Pavilion, One Herald Plaza, Miami, U.S.

The Salon Art+Design, Park Avenue Armory, New York, U.S.

Parklife, Chi-Wen Gallery, Taipei, Taiwan

Parallel Space | Program of Mo(ve)ment — Crossing Border Border Crossing | International Festival of Intermedia, Hong Kong Space

Museum, Hong Kong, China

TAD Festival 2017 — The Aftermath: The Lift of Martial Law, Liang Gallery, Taipei, Taiwan

The Trilogy of Art Gallery Industry in Taiwan:Let's Talk History, Daguan Gallery, Taipei, Taiwan

Spain Moving Images Festival, Cineteca Madrid, Madrid, Spain

Arkipel Penal Colony — 5th International Documentary and Experimental Film Festival, Jakarta, Indonesia

Lianyungang International Photo Festival: Face to Faith, Lianyun old street church, Jiangsu ,China

Silk Road | Portal to World Imagination on the East-West Cultural Journey, Xi'an Art Museum, Xi'an, China

Mirage: Disused Public Property in Taiwan, Murray Art Museum Albury, Albury, Australia

Memories Interwoven and Overlapped: Post-Martial Law Era Ink Painting in Taiwan, National Taiwan Museum of Fine Arts, Taichung, Taiwan

The South: An Art of Asking & Listening, Kaohsiung Museum of Fine Arts, Kaohsiung, Taiwan

The Genius of the Crowd, Esplanade, Theatres on the Bay, Singapore

Kau Pue, Soulangh Cultural Park, Tainan, Taiwan

2016 Springs Eternal, Glenfiddich Artists in Residence: 12 Years From Taiwan, Kuandu Museum of Fine Arts, Taipei, Taiwan

Wise Sphere, hinbusdepot., Pulau Pinang, Malaysia

20th Biennale of Sydney, Carriageworks, Sydney, Australia

Lendemain Chagrin: Quatre photographes taïwanais, Maison Européenne de la Photographie, Paris, France

2015 Asia Biennial, National Taiwan Museum of Fine Arts, Taichung, Taiwan

Asia Contemporary, Jeonbuk Museum of Art, Korea

Dances With the Times — 40 Years of Artists and Contemporary Art in Taiwan, Kaohsiung Museum of Fine Arts, Kaohsiung, Taiwan

Time-travelling TV Series Project Documenta, Gwangju Asia Culture Center, Gwangju, Korea

Copyleft: China Appropriation Art, Power Station of Art, Shanghai, China

Ink Remix — Contemporary Art From China, Taiwan & Hong Kong, Canberra Museum of Art, Canberra, Australia

South by Southeast, Osage Foundation, Hong Kong, China

Evidence!, Die Neue Aktionsgalerie Berlin, Berlin, Germany

Jiang Ling, Hubei Institute of Fine Arts Art Gallery, Hubei, China

2014 {INSERT 2014}, Mati Ghar Indira Genahi National Center for the Arts, New Delhi, India

ALTERing-NATIVism, MoNTU, Taipei; Kaohsiung Museum of Fine Arts, Kaohsiung, Taiwan

Pop Art Factory — Heating, Cooling, Contemporary Art in Taiwan, Kaohsiung Museum of Fine Arts, Kaohsiung, Taiwan

Something in space escapes our attempts at surveying, Württembergischer Kunstverein Stuttgart, Stuttgart, Germany

Asia Anarchy Alliance, Tokyo Wonder Site (Hongo, Shibuya), Tokyo, Japan

Beijing Photo Biennial, Hubei Museum of Art, Hubei, China

Shenzhen Sculpture Biennale, OCT Contemporary Art, Shenzhen, China

Seoul International Media Art Biennale, Seoul Museum of Art, Seoul, Korea

Asia Triennial Manchester 2014, Manchester, U.K.

Taiwan Biennal, National Taiwan Museum of Fine Arts, Taichung, Taiwan

The Mirror and Monitor of Democracy in Asia, Gwangju Art Museum, Gwangju, Korea

Jie: Contemporary Art From Taiwan, Herbert F. Johnson Museum of Art, Cornell University, Ithaca, U.S.

Asia Pacific Breweries Foundation Singapore Art Prize, Singapore Art Museum, Singapore

Post Pop: East Meets West, Saatchi Gallery, London, U.K.

2013 True Illusion, Illusory Truth — Contemporary Art Beyond Ordinary Experience, Taipei Fine Arts Museum, Taipei, Taiwan

Multitude Art Prize, UCCA, Beijing, China

Rolling! Visual Art in Taiwan, Seoul Museum of Arts, Seoul, Korea

Zhongshan Park Project — Shanghai Biennale, MOCA Shanghai, Shanghai, China

(CON)TEMPORARY SPACE-TIME, Stattberlin, Berlin, Germany

Horizon Realm: Contemporary Art From Taiwan, Tenri Cultural Institute, New York, U.S.

OPEN 16. International Exhibition of Sculptures and Installations, Venice Lido and Island of San Servolo, Venice, Italy

Cargo East Project — Gazing Into Freedom: Taiwan Contemporary Art Exhibition, Museum of Contemporary Art of Vojvodina, Novi Sad, Republic of Serbia

From Subverting to Creating the Reality: Taiwanese Contemporary Art After the 80s, Asia University Museum of Modern Art, Taichung, Taiwan

Beijing Photo Biennale, China Millennium Monument, Beijing, China

Museum of Arte Útil: Working Document Structure, Rooms, Examples, and Live Projects, Vanabbe Museum, Eindhoven, Netherlands

2012 Busan International Film Festival, Busan Cinema Center, Busan, South Korea

Predicting Memories: Vienna Art Week 2012, Vienna, Austria

Shanghai Biennale, Museum of Contemporary Art Shanghai, Shanghai, China

Ink: The New Ink Art From China, Saatchi Gallery, London, U.K.

Unhomely — Tales of the Island, Chinese Arts Centre, Manchester, U.K.

Boundaries on the Move Taiwan-Israel a Cross-culture Dialogue, Herzliya Museum of Contemporary Art, Tel Aviv, Israel

- 2011 Dual Senses and Dynamic Views Contemporary Art Exhibition Across the Taiwan Strait of 2011, National Art Museum of China, Beijing, China
- 2010 Taiwan Discovered In Place and Time, The Patricia & Phillip Frost Art Museum, Miami, U.S.
- 2009 Dream in a Contemporary Secret Garden, Chelsea Art Museum & Gallery, New York, U.S. Asia Pacific Triennial of Contemporary Art, Queensland Art Gallery, Brisbane, Australia
- 2008 Inward Gazes: Invitation Asia Performance Art 2008, Macao Museum of Art, Macao, China
- 2007 Taiwan: From Within the Mist, Washington Pavilion of Arts and Science, South Dakota, U.S.; Centre A: Vancouver International Centre for Contemporary Asian Art, BC, Canada; Christel DeHaan Fine Arts Center and Ransburg Gallery, University of Indianapolis, U.S.; Illges Gallery, Columbus State University, Georgia, U.S.
- 2006 Islanded: Contemporary Art From New Zealand, Singapore, and Taiwan, Adam Art Gallery, Wellington, New Zealand; Institute of Contemporary Arts Singapore, LASALLE-SIA College of the Arts, Singapore
- 2005 International Triennale of Contemporary Art Yokohama 2005: Art Circus Jumping From the Ordinary, Yokohama, Japan

- 2004 Reality Spells Exhibition of Chinese Conceptual Photography From the 90s, Herbert F. Johnson Museum of Art, Cornell University, Ithaca, U.S.
- 2003 A Strange Heaven Contemporary Chinese Photography, Rudolfinum, Prague, Czech Republic; Helsinki Art Museum, Helsinki, Finland City-net Asia: Transition of Identity, Seoul Museum of Art, Seoul, Korea
- 2001 Promenade in Asia-cute, Art Tower Mito, Mito, Japan
- 2000 Close Up Contemporary Art From Taiwan, Charles H. Scott Gallery, Emily Carr Institute of Art, Vancouver; Art Gallery of Greater Victoria, Victoria B.C., Canada
 Very Fun Park Contemporary Art From Taiwan, Hong Kong Art Center, Hong Kong, China; Perth Institute of Contemporary Arts, Perth, Australia
- 1999 Face to Face Contemporary Art From Taiwan, Gold Coast City Art Gallery, Queensland, Australia
- 1998 You Talk/I Listen, Taipei Fine Arts Museum, Taipei, Taiwan; La ferme du Buisson center d'art contemporain, Paris, France Contemporary Taiwanese Art Exhibition The New Identity, Artium, Fukuoka, Japan
- 1997 La Biennale di Venezia, Palazzo delle Prigioni, Venice, Italy
- 1996 The 6th Iranian Photo Biennial, Niavaran Cultural Center, Tehran, Iran
- 1994 The Taipei Biennial of Contemporary Art, Taipei Fine Arts Museum, Taipei, Taiwan Busan Biennial, Busan, Korea
- 1992 The Taipei Biennial of Contemporary Art, Taipei Fine Arts Museum, Taipei, Taiwan
- 1990 Contemporary Art Trends in the R.O.C, Taipei Fine Arts Museum, Taipei, Taiwan

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