Jim Kempner Fine Art

# **SHANLIN YE**



*Reflection #11, 2017.* 



Figure #5, 2016.

## Artist Statement

I grew up in China and received my education in China. I moved to the US in 2012 and blended into this country of immigrants. Still I feel quite lost from time to time. After a couple of years of living in the US, I came to feel lost when I visit China, too. Recently I have worked on paper with heads and figures to create the current show, Monologue. I am fascinated by the fluidity and ungoverned nature of watercolor. I enjoy watching the water and the color dancing on paper. It is like a poem. My work is not about realism or perfection; rather, they address the opposite: the coarse, imperfect and aberrant. I try to reveal the unseen part of human existence and human identification in my paintings. It is a spiritual communication when I paint a portrait, and I will be thrilled if you can find a way to "talk" to the persons you meet in this body of work.

Shanlin Ye, 2016

#### **EDUCATION**

- 2001 MFA, Tsinghua University Academy of Fine Arts, Beijing, China
- 1998 BFA, The Central Academy of Fine Art & Design, Beijing, China

#### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

- 2006-2016 Works on Paper, Beijing, China & St. Louis, MO
- 2001-2006 Beijing Institute of Fashion Technology, Full-Time Lecturer

### **SELECTED EXHIBITIONS**

2017	2017 International Juried Exhibition, The Center for Contemporary Art, Bedminster, NJ
2017	Shanlin Ye & KAORUKO: On the Verge, Jim Kempner Fine Art, New York, NY
2016	Monologue, Jim Kempner Fine Art, New York, NY
2016	Presence, The Atrium Gallery, St. Louis, MO
2004	<i>Epochal Passion: Chinese Contemporary Oil Painting,</i> National Art Gallery of China World Hotel, Beijing, China
2001	<i>Best Works: Graduate Academy of Fine Arts and Design,</i> China's National Museum of Fine Arts, Beijing, China
2001	New State, Florence Art Gallery, Beijing, China
1999	Fixed and Beyond, Joint Exhibition at Wan Fung Art Gallery, Beijing, China
1996	40 <sup>th</sup> Ann. of the Central Academy of Fine Arts & Design, China's National Museum of Fine Arts, Beijing, China