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 th Ann. of the Central Academy of Fine Arts & Design, China's National Museum of Fine Arts, Beijing, China