

CASSINA PROJECTS

Wang Haiyang

b. 1984 in Shandong, China

Lives and works between China and Italy

Wang Haiyang's practice spans painting, animation, video, sculpture, and installation. Drawing on Eastern philosophy and contemporary visual culture, he creates emotionally charged worlds in which the boundaries between inner life and external reality remain unstable. Through fluid forms and dreamlike imagery, Wang questions fixed notions of gender, selfhood, and embodiment. In his work, the body becomes a shifting site of perception and desire, subject to continual transformation.

Education

2008 Bachelor of Fine Arts, Central Academy of Fine Arts, Beijing, China

Solo Exhibitions

- 2024 *Love Dart*, Capsule Venice, Venice, Italy
- 2018 *Wang Haiyang*, Capsule Shanghai, Shanghai, China
Ravage, Galerie Paris-Beijing, Paris, France
Wang Haiyang, WHITE SPACE BEIJING, Beijing, China
- 2017 *Wang Haiyang: By Himself*, OCAT, Xi'an, China
- 2016 *New Directions: Wang Haiyang*, Ullens Center for Contemporary Art, Beijing, China
Dynamic Field: Wang Haiyang, Minsheng Art Museum, Shanghai, China
- 2013 *Rhizomes*, Galerie Paris-Beijing, Paris, France
- 2012 *The Metamorphosis*, WHITE SPACE BEIJING, Beijing, China
- 2009 *Untitled*, Today Art Museum, Beijing, China
- 2007 *Boys*, Today International Art Gallery, Beijing, China

Select Group Exhibitions

- 2026 Forever Tomorrow: Chinese Art Now, Auckland Art Gallery, Auckland, New Zealand
- 2025 Capsule Filling, Capsule, Hong Kong, China (curated by Zoie Yung)
- 2024 Viscous, Cassina Projects, Milan, Italy
When We Become Us², Capsule Venice, Venice, Italy (curated by Manuela Lietti)
- 2023 Bodies and Souls, Cassina Projects, Milan, Italy (curated by Manuela Lietti in collaboration with Capsule Shanghai)
Uncanny Valley, Gagolian, Hong Kong, China
- 2022 Persona and Parasite, White Space, Beijing, China
- 2021 The 11th Seoul Mediacity Biennale, Seoul, Korea
The Opening Exhibition, Enclave Contemporary, Shenzhen, China
- 2020 How Do We Begin?, X Museum, Beijing, China
Étude, Aranya Art Center, Beidaihe, China
Queering Now, Chinese Art Now, London, UK
- 2019 They Rise When Vernal Breezes Blow, Make Room, Los Angeles, USA
Huayu Youth Award, Huayu Art Center, Sanya, China
Age of You, MOCA Toronto, Canada (curated by Shumon Basar, Douglas Coupland and Hans Ulrich Obrist)
We Didn't Mean to Break It (But It's Ok, We Can Fix It), Galeria Pedro Cera, Lisbon, Portugal
A White Space Odyssey, WHITE SPACE BEIJING, Beijing, China
Hic Sunt Leones, SURPLUS SPACE, Wuhan, China
Field Meeting Take 6: Thinking Collections, Asia Contemporary Art Week, Dubai, United Arab Emirates
- 2018 REPLY, White Space Beijing, Beijing, China
Art Patrons, Qiao Space, Shanghai, China
- 2017 Bienal de Curitiba '17, Museu Oscar Niemeyer, Curitiba, Brazil
China-Art in Movement, The Castle Museum, Annecy, France
Recent Acquisitions, Recent Developments, Si Shang Art Museum, Beijing, China
- 2016 Poets of Beijing, Wiebengahal, Maastricht, Netherlands
Turning Point: Contemporary Art in China Since 2000, Minsheng Art Museum, Shanghai, China
Air - The 2nd "Ningbo" International Contemporary Art Exhibition, Ningbo Museum of Art, Zhejiang, China
- 2015 The Bride Stripped Bare by Her Bachelors, Even, Pekin Gallery, Beijing, China
State of Mind - Painting China Now, Galerie Paris-Beijing, Paris, France

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- 2014 Mesollittoral: The 3rd Huayu Youth Award Nomination Exhibition, Huayu Art Center, Sanya, China
Don't Look Back: Contemporary paintings in China, Galerie Paris-Beijing, Brussels, Belgium
Collection of Contemporary Art, Lille art Museum, Lille, France
- 2013 The Garden Of Forking Paths, OCT-Contemporary Art Terminal, Shanghai, China
Discover The Next Great Master, Winshare Art Museum, Chengdu, China
- 2012 The World of Soul, Shenzhen Independent Animation Biennale OCT-LOFT, Shenzhen, China
The 9th Beijing Independent Film Festival, Songzhuang Art Center, Beijing, China
CAFAM Future Exhibition - Sub-Phenomenon: Ecology Report of Chinese Young Art, CAFA Art Museum, Beijing, China
Focus on Talents Project Finalist Exhibition, Today Art Museum, Beijing, China
XinJiang The 1st Contemporary Art Biennale, Xinjiang International Exhibition Centre, Xinjiang, China
- 2011 The Second Academic Exhibition of Chinese Contemporary Prints, Today Art Museum, Beijing, China
Spectrum: Chinese Independent Animation, A4 Contemporary Arts Center, Chengdu, China
- 2009 Chinese artist group exhibition, Seoul Museum, Seoul, Korea
Future - together, Arario Gallery, Beijing, China
- 2008 Germinators, China Square, New York, USA

Art Fair Solo/Duo Projects

- 2019 Skins, Solo Project at Artissima 2019, New Entries Section, Turin, Italy (presented by Capsule Shanghai)
- 2018 Cyborg Dates: Wang Haiyang and Douglas Rieger, West Bund Art & Design, Shanghai, China (presented by Capsule Shanghai)

Selected Screenings / Awards

- 2020 Queering Now, Rich Mix, London, UK, curated by Sha Li and Whiskey Chow
- 2019 Alchemy Film and Moving Image Festival, Hawick, Scotland, UK
China Import Direct, The Cloud at Auckland Art Fair, Auckland, New Zealand, curated by Monumental Culture Shanghai
- 2016 The 65th Melbourne International Film Festival, Melbourne, Australia
The Annecy International Animated Film Festival, Annecy, France
World Festival of Animated Film - Animafest Zagreb, Zagreb, Croatia
- 2014 Winner the Jury Nomination Award, The 3rd Huayu Youth Award, Sanya, China
- 2012 Winner of the Young Talent Award Martell Art Fund 'Focus on Talents Project', Today Art Museum, Beijing, China
Winner of the Silver Dove at the 55th DOK Leipzig Film Festival, Leipzig, Germany
Special mention at the Sommets du Cinéma d'Animation, Montreal, Canada
The 40th World Festival of Animated Film - Animafest Zagreb, Croatia
Fantoche Film Festival, Baden, Switzerland
The 30th FESTIVAL TOUS COURTS in Aix-en-Provence, France
- 2010 Winner of the Grand Prix at the 25th Holland Animation Film Festival (HAFF), Maastricht, Netherlands

Residencies

- 2023 CP studio, Cassina Projects, Milan, Italy
- 2021 Pro Helvetia Studio Residency, Switzerland

Institutional Collections

Östasiatiska Museet, Stockholm, Sweden