

She's Body Lin Fanglu Solo Exhibition by Liya Prilipko

We are excited to announce the upcoming solo exhibition of the renowned Chinese artist and designer, Fanglu Lin, titled "She's Body." This exhibition will be a part of the new art fair "ART IN SUHE HAUS" and will showcase Lin's exceptional talent in combining traditional women's craft techniques with contemporary sculptural art forms.

Lin's works, made of pliable materials, transcend the boundaries of thread and cloth, elevating storytelling to a monumental level. Through her art, she sheds light on the lives of countless generations of women who have been overlooked and silenced throughout history. With pure and forceful creations, Lin honors the struggles, sacrifices, and contributions of women as creators, protectors, and nurturers.

The exhibition will feature Lin's highly acclaimed "She" series, which explores the culture, lifestyle, and tie-dyeing techniques of the Bai ethnic minority group. Through meticulous stretching, folding, pleating, and stitching of cotton fabric, Lin transforms simple materials into intricate landscapes of knots and pleats, paying homage to the ancient craft traditions that have been passed down through generations.

In her latest works from the "She's Body" series, Lin introduces vibrant colors, including crimson red, brilliant yellow, violet, and purple, unlike her earlier undyed fabric pieces. These artworks display a carnival of colors, shapes, knobs, and bulges, reminiscent of cell division, corals, seashells, and jellyfish. Lin's colorful cotton membrane of twirls and pleats invites viewers on a mesmerizing journey to the underwater world, symbolizing the strong currents of feminine energy that flow through women's bodies. The dominant red hues in the "She's Body" series represent the energy of life that courses through our veins, delivering vitality to every part of our bodies. The yellows, purples, and violet symbolize the beauty of human flesh, which carries the marks of collective resilience despite centuries of neglect and abuse. Lin's artworks speak to the unwavering stream of feminine vitality that animates existence itself.

This exhibition is not only a celebration of the power and resilience of women but also a reminder of our connection to nature and the cycles of

life. Lin's work urges us to reconnect with the seasons and cycles of nature, to honor our relationships with the land, oceans, and all living creatures. Through her profound artistic expression, Lin encourages us to embrace our bodies, live fully present in the moment, and cultivate a more sincere world.

We invite you to experience the visceral and captivating artworks of Fanglu Lin at the "She's Body" solo exhibition, opening in November 7th, 2023.

Don't miss this opportunity to immerse yourself in the profound beauty and symbolism of Lin's creations.

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About the Artist

Lin Fanglu, an accomplished artist and designer with a strong background in fine arts, is making waves in the art and design world with her exceptional talent and innovative work.

Lin Fanglu completed her Master's and Bachelor's degrees at the prestigious Central Academy of Fine Arts (CAFA) in Beijing, China in 2016 and 2012, respectively. Throughout her education, she had the opportunity to work under renowned professors and participate in exchange programs at esteemed institutions such as Karlsruhe University of Art and Design in Germany and Tokyo University of the Arts in Japan.

Driven by her artistic journey, Lin Fanglu has delved into the traditions and folkways of Chinese ethnic minorities, focusing on the disappearing techniques of tie-dyeing from the Bai women community in Yunnan and the Dong traditional hand-woven cloth-bright cloth in Guizhou. Her deep engagement with these communities has resulted in the creation of captivating textile artwork series, which have been exhibited at prominent venues including the Art Museum of the Central Academy of Fine Art and the Beijing Exhibition Center.

Lin Fanglu's exceptional talent and dedication to her craft have been widely recognized through various awards. In 2021, she was honored with the Grand Prize at the LOEWE FOUNDATION Craft Prize, a prestigious international competition. In 2016, she received the titles of New Designer of the Year and Innovative Brand of the Year at the China Building Decoration Association Awards. Her artworks have been collected by esteemed institutions such as the Museum of Decorative Arts in Paris, France, and the National Gallery of Victoria in Melbourne, Australia. Pushing the boundaries of art and design, Lin Fanglu has participated in numerous solo and group exhibitions worldwide. Her solo exhibitions, including "The Power of Binding and Weaving" at the Samgaksan Geumam Museum of Art in Seoul, Korea in 2023, and "Threads of Change" at Art+ Gallery in Shanghai, China in 2022, have captivated audiences with their unique artistic vision. Additionally, her work has been showcased in notable group exhibitions such as the Venice Design Biennial in Italy, the Xinjiang Biennale in China, and the Design and The Wondrous exhibition at the Centre Pompidou in Shanghai, China.

Lin Fanglu's dedication to craftsmanship and her innovative creations continue to leave a lasting impact in the art and design world. Her ability to blend traditional techniques with contemporary aesthetics sets her apart and ensures her place as a trailblazer in the industry.

About the Venue - Suhe Haus

Suhe Haus is an emerging art and design community with a total area of 8,000 sqm, situated along Suzhou Creek in Shanghai. It resides within a historical art deco building, designed and built by the famous Atkinson & Dallas architects in 1931 as the former warehouse of the National Industrial Bank of China. At its heart, Suhe Haus, situated in the heart of Shanghai's art district, surrounded by art institutions such as UCCA Edge and Fotografiska, serves as an art and creative hub, fostering a borderless, interdisciplinary, and forward-thinking environment, where global art institution, galleries, brands and creatives converge. It is launched as a progressive cultural destination for exhibition, education, cultural exchange, and art collection.

Exhibition Details:

“She's Body” Lin Fanglu Solo Exhibition

Curator: Zirui Zhuang

From November 7th to December 3rd, 2023
11:00 AM – 7:00 PM Tuesday to Sunday

Exhibition Venue:

SUHE HAUS

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