

TSUNSHAN



TSUNSHAN 進珊 is a Chinese-Swiss artist who was born and raised in Hong Kong in 1956. He studied art and design in Hong Kong from 1974 to 1978 and then moved to London where he graduated in 1981. During this time he earned his living as a street painter. In 1981/1982 he was awarded the Anna K. Meredith Scholarship to study painting and sculpture in Florence. He then moved to Milan, where he worked as an artist and designer.

Since 1988 he lives and works in Switzerland as a graphic designer and artist. His works have been exhibited in various galleries and art museums in Europe.

TSUNSHAN ist ein chinesisch-schweizerischer Künstler, der 1956 in Hongkong geboren und aufgewachsen ist. Von 1974 bis 1978 studierte er Kunst und Design in Hongkong und ging dann nach London, wo er 1981 sein Kunststudium abschloss. Während dieser Zeit verdiente er seinen Lebensunterhalt als Strassenmaler. Er erhielt das Anna K. Meredith Stipendium, mit dem er 1981/1982 in Florenz Malerei und Bildhauerei studierte. Danach zog er nach Mailand, wo er als Künstler und Designer tätig war. Seit 1988 lebt und arbeitet er als Grafiker und Künstler in der Schweiz. Seine Werke wurden in verschiedenen Galerien und Kunstmuseen in Europa ausgestellt.

EXPECT THE UNEXPECTED

«In my paintings I navigate both the expected and the unexpected. Often I have no idea what the next gesture will bring, and somehow I have to clear my mind before I begin to paint. Water, oil, paint, sand, pigment... sometimes I try to control how they move, like dancing with a familiar partner, but I can't always do that and have to let them go the way they want to - even if it's not the way I expected! It is a principle of nature. I approach my work with an open mind, without a predetermined message, trusting that the meaning will emerge through the intuitive process. The painting is a result of the feelings that arise in me and in the viewer. I've often been asked to explain the meaning of my paintings and each time my answer has been at the bottom of the work: "Untitled". For me, the content of my paintings is very mobile and constantly changing. I am always surprised to discover new and unexpected images in my work and I hope that my audience will have the same experience.» *TSUNSHAN*

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TSUNSHAN: Untitled190112 / Mixed media on canvas, 50x50cm, 2019

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EXHIBITIONS

- 2022 24th Art International Zurich, Convention Center Zurich, Switzerland
ARTY SHOW Neuchâtel / Downtown Bijoux, Neuchâtel, Switzerland
- 2019 Zähnteschüür, Oberrohrdorf, Switzerland
Galerie Sonderwunsch, Baden, Switzerland
Gemeindegalerie, Spreitenbach, Switzerland (Two-Person Exhibition)
- 1991 Galerie Contempo, Grenchen, Switzerland
SKA-FORUM Zürich, Switzerland
Baron de la Mouette, Zurich / Galerie Treffpunkt Kunst, Adliswil, Switzerland
Galerie Treffpunkt Kunst, Adliswil, Switzerland
- 1990 Nürnberg 5 / Galerie Contempo, Nürnberg, Germany
Galerie del'Arco, Murten, Switzerland
Galerie Caroline Dohmen, Frankfurt, Germany
Galleria Free Art, Turin, Italy
- 1989 Galerie im Hirschenmarkt, Lyss, Switzerland
Galerie Contempo, Grenchen, Switzerland
Galerie Zenit, Kopenhagen, Denmark
Gluri Suter Huus, Wettingen, Switzerland (Two-Person Exhibition)
- 1988 Galleria Free Art, Turin, Italy
Galerie Gigot, Grenchen, Switzerland
- 1987 Galleria Arco di Rab, Rome, Italy
Studio 85, Neapel, Italy
- 1986 Galerie Zenit, Kopenhagen, Denmark
Galleria Emicla, Gaeta, Italy
- 1985 Spazio G., Ravenna, Italy
- 1983 Spazio Uno Studio Arte, Maddaloni, Italy
- 1982 C.S.I. di G. La Pira, Florence, Italy

Group Exhibitions

- 2023 Dorfmuseum Lengnau, Lengnau, Switzerland
- 2022 «Anniversary Exhibition» Galerie im Gwölb, Baden, Switzerland
«Kunst Schau 5430» Galerie im Gluri Suter Huus, Wettingen, Switzerland
«COV-ART PROJECT» Copelouzos Family Art Museum, Athens, Greece
Galerie im Gwölb, Baden, Switzerland
- 2021 «Kunst Schau 5430 – 2021» Museum Eduard Spörri, Wettingen, Switzerland
«Body of the object as/in Art: European Art in Chinese Art Space»
Hong Art Museum Chongqing, China
«REGIUNALA» Galerie Cularta, Laax, Switzerland
«Artist in the Spotlight» Arte Laguna Prize, Venezia, Italy
- 2020 Gemeindegalerie, Spreitenbach, Switzerland
«Kunst Schau 5430 – 2020» Gluri Suter Huus / Museum Eduard Spörri, Wettingen, Switzerland

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- «#shutdownGR» Galerie Cularta, Laax, Switzerland
«#shutdownGR» Kulturhaus HalloChur, Chur, Switzerland
- 2019 «Kunst Schau 5430 – 2019» Galerie im Gluri Suter Huus, Wettingen, Switzerland
«35x35 Chinese Art Project» Copelouzos Family Art Museum, Athens, Greece
«Apulia Land Art Festival-Land Art 50», Palazzo Lanfranchi, Matera, Italy
- 2018 «Kunst Schau 5430 – 2018» Galerie im Gluri Suter Huus, Wettingen, Switzerland
«Artbox Talent» Artbox Gallery, Zurich, Switzerland
- 2016 «Un decennio di proposte e nuovi linguaggi visivi 1982-1991» Gaeta, Italy
«Intervento Omocromico – Trentanni Dopo», Fondazione Nikolaos, Bari, Italy
- 2015 «Intervento Omocromico – Trentanni Dopo», Fortino Sant'Antonio, Bari, Italy
«30 years of Intervento Omocromico», Tompkins County Public Library, Ithaca, New York
- 2014 «Intervento Omocromico – Trentanni Dopo», La Fondazione Ettore Pomarici Santomasì, Gravina in Puglia, Italy
- 1992 «Offener Raum – Espacio Abierto» Asturias, Spain – Aargau, Switzerland
- 1991 Nürnberg 6, Galerie Contempo, Nürnberg, Germany
Galerie Caroline Dohmen, Frankfurt, Germany
ART Moscow, Moscow, Russia
- 1990 Galerie Contempo Grenchen, Switzerland
Nürnberg 5, Galerie Contempo, Nürnberg, Germany
- 1989 «Zurzeit –15 Jahre Spinnerei Wettingen» Wettingen, Switzerland
Galleria Free Art, Turin, Italy
- 1988 Expo Arte Bari 88, Studio Oggetto / Galleria Free Art, Bari, Italy
«Index», Galleria d'Arte Moderna, Paternò, Italy
- 1987 Studio Oggetto, Caserta, Italy
Galerie Zenit, Kopenhagen, Denmark
Galleria 4 Gats / Galleria Ferran Cano, Palma de Mallorca, Spain
- 1986 «Rapido Fine», Ferrara, Italy
XXXI Mostra Nazionale d'Arte Contemporanea, Termoli, Italy
- 1985 Museo Casabianca, Malo, Italy
- 1984 Arte Fiera Bologna 84, Bologna, Italy
«Intervento Omocromico» Milano, Italy
- 1983 «Intervento Omocromico» Gavina, Italy
- 1982 Galleria di Vittoria, Florence, Italy
Studio Art Centre International, Florence, Italy
Nuova Galleria Internazionale, Rome, Italy
- 1981 London College of Printing, London, England
Calais City Hall, Calais, France
- 1979 Wrexham City Hall, Wrexham, England

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TSUNSHAN: Untitled191212 / Wood, sand and gold-leaf on wood, 60x60cm, 2019

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TSUNSHAN: Untitled181030 / Mixed media on canvas, 130x170cm, 2018

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