

[XIONG LIJUN by Xiong Lijun!](#)

Duration: 24th December-23rd January

Opening Reception: Saturday 23rd December, 6pm

Venue: SHiNE Art Space (Block 9, No. 50 Moganshan Road, Shanghai)

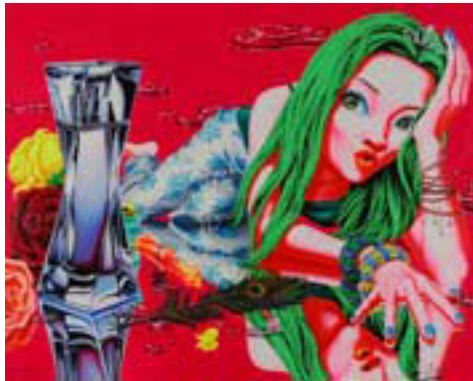
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SHiNE Art Space is proud to introduce [XIONG LIJUN by Xiong Lijun!](#) a Xiong Lijun solo exhibition. Xiong is one of the most prominent artists to emerge from China's new generation, her dynamic and intensely vibrant paintings proudly expressing the twenty first century voice of China's urban youth.

Her neon, cartoon like oil and acrylic paintings are a visual bombardment where figures dance,

sing or throw themselves into dramatic poses inspired by fashion photography. Fluorescent flashes of pink, yellow, green and blue forcibly grab our attention; flat cartoon like colours that were never previously thought to belong in a gallery space but which are here being used with a new depth and purpose.

Xiong's works are a manifestation of the visual culture that she has grown up with, an iconography that would have been unrecognisable 20 years ago. Fashion photography, MTV, cartoons and commercial advertising all pervade today's China and are the images that provide Xiong with her inspiration. She combines these with her wonderfully refined, classically trained painting technique and the resulting images appear as a form of hyper real cartoon. She demonstrates a sense of the newly found freedom that pop culture has awakened in China's youth and creates celebratory images that tell of a bright and bold future.

Xiong Lijun was born in 1975 in Chongqing. She graduated from the Sichuan Fine Arts Academy in 1997 with her BFA and 2002 with her MFA. She has exhibited internationally in Korea, France, and the USA: in New York at the New York Art Expo, and in Los Angeles with a solo show entitled 'Don't Look Back' (Pacifica Art Group). Today Xiong Lijun lives and works in Chongqing.

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