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EDUCATION

PhD, School of Creative Media (arts-based), City University of Hong Kong, 2024–present

MA, Contemporary Art Practice (Moving Image), Royal College of Art, 2015–2017

BA (Gold Award), School of Intermedia Art, China Academy of Art, 2010–2014

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

A Mountain of Closeness, Beiqiu Museum of Contemporary Art, Nanjing, China, 2023

Flies beyond the Clouds, Capsule Shanghai, Shanghai, China, 2021

Exhibition on the Table_Yao Cong: videos compilation, Arthub, Shanghai, China, 2018

Pleasure in Progress, Espronceda Art Centre, Barcelona, Spain, 2016

GROUP EXHIBITIONS & SCREENINGS (SELECTION)

2024

Berlin Fashion Week-Video Screening, Oxi, Berlin, Germany

When We Become Us², Capsule Venice, Venice, Italy

Anywhere But Here, Fake Project, Xi'an, China

Flash Mob, Chengdu Times Art Museum, Chengdu, China

2023

Filter Realism, AMNUA / Art Museum of Nanjing University of Arts, Nanjing, China

Flash Mob, Chongqing Times Art Museum, Chongqing, China

My generation, The Art of Post-90s, Shanxi Contemporary Art Museum, Taiyuan, China

ART SG_FILM, Fabricated Realities, ArtScience Museum, Singapore

2022

Jimei X Arles International Photo Festival, Xiamen, China

Chengdu International Photo Festival, Chengdu Art Museum, Chengdu, China

Re-wilding, Chinese Contemporary Art Museum, Chongqing, China

2021

New Species V, Times Art Museum, Chengdu, China

2020

Golden Flow-Beijing Contemporary-Art Expo2020, CHAO Art Center, Beijing, China

Variations of Space-online exhibition, Xi'an Contemporary Art Museum & Xi'an Academy of Fine Arts, Xi'an, China

2019

Right Behind Your Eyes, CapsuleShanghai, China

Zhijiang International Youth Art Festival, Xiangshan Art Commune, Hangzhou, China

Film Action Screening Tour, Beijing, Shanghai, Hangzhou, Nanjing, Xi'an, Chongqing, Wuhan, etc.

2018

From/To: the Frontier of Chinese Art Education, San Francisco, USA

HOLOGRAPHIA-International Intermedia Art Festival, Times Art Museum, Beijing, China

ShanghaiPRIDE Film Festival 2018-Chinese Short Film Awards, Shanghai, China

14th Athens Digital Arts Festival, the Athens Concert Hall, Athens, Greece

New Species II, ChengduMOCA, Chengdu, China

WOW.14/Ukraine, Municipal Gallery&University of Arts Kiev, Kharkiv & Kiev, Ukraine

14th Beijing Independent Film Festival, Beijing, China

Inter_nal Movements, Museu del Disseny de Barcelona&Espronceda Center for Art&Culture, Barcelona, Spain

Exhibition on the Table-Yao Cong (solo), Arthub, Shanghai, China

2017

VIDEONALE.16, Kunstmuseum Bonn, Germany

8th International Contemporary Art Fair ARTVILNIUS, Vilnius, Lithuania

Loop Barcelona-City Screen 2017, Espronceda Center for Art&Culture, Barcelona, Spain

10th Beijing Queer Film Festival, Beijing, China

the Beholder, Somos Art House, Berlin, Germany

Projector-Festival of Videoart 10th, Exhibition Hall El Aguila, Madrid, Spain

Experimental Film and Video Exhibition 2017, CICA Museum, Gyeonggi-do, Korea

FONLAD Festival, Water Museum, Coimbra, Portugal

Festival Of Recorded Movement, Vancouver, Canada

13th Athens Digital Arts Festival, Historic Center of Athens, Athens, Greece

Fuse, Royal College of Music in Stockholm, Sweden

New Species-the Experimental Media Invitation Exhibition, Chengdu, China

Filmideo 2017 Index Art Center, Newark, New Jersey, USA

whatsherface #4-online women's cinema, Chicago, USA

Video Vortex XI, Kochi-Muzeris, Kerala, India

Becoming, Dyson Gallery, Royal College of Art, London, UK

2016

European Academic Image and Art Festival, Porto, Portugal

Modern Panic VII, Newspeak House, London, UK

the Bedlam Film Festival, the Edinburgh Fringe, Edinburgh, UK

OFF THE WALL, Arts+Literature Laboratory, Madison, Wisconsin, USA

Microwave International New Media Arts Festival 2016 (Screening), Hong Kong

ART DUDAI, Mina A'slam, Al Sufouh Road, Umm Suqeim, Dubai, UAE

WIP Show, Royal College of Art, London, UK

2015

Helsinki Festival, Helsinki, Finland

Power of Education, Shanghai Himalayas Museum, China

2014

Luo Zhongli Scholarship Exhibition, Chongqing, China

Journey of a Thousand Miles: National Outstanding Art Graduation Works, Wuhan, China

Surface of the Kingdom, Art Exhibition, Shanghai, China

7th Beijing Queer Film Festival, Beijing, China

11th Beijing Independent Film Festival, Beijing, China

CAISSA RISING ARTING-2014 Annual Nomination Exhibition, Today Art Museum, Beijing, China

Degree Show of China Academy of Art, Hangzhou, China

Luoping International Photography Festival, Yunnan, China

2013

West Bank -Architecture and Contemporary Art Biennial Exhibition (Photography & Video),
Shanghai, China

14th OPEN International Performance Art Festival, 798 Space Station, Beijing, China

Media Theater: Cultural Chanel, Guangzhou Opera House, China

AWARDS & RESIDENCIES

2025, ORGANHAUS International Artists's Workshop, Chongqing, China

2024, Hong Kong PhD Fellowship Scheme (HKPFS), Research Grants Council, Hong Kong SAR

2023, Artist in Residency (invited guest), Gazetteer-novel, Xi'an, China
2022, Artist in Residency, Three Shadows Photography Art Centre, Xiamen, China
2020, Northwest Residency Program, PLATESPACE&Cube Art Guan, Gansu, China
2019, AME Film Project-Film Creative Workshop, Hangzhou, China
2016, Artist in Residency, Espronceda Art&Culture Centre-awarded by RCA, Barcelona, Spain
2016, Shortlist, Bloomberg New Contemporaries 2016, ICA, London
2014, Winner of the Luo Zhongli Scholarship
2014, Winner of the Gold Award for Degree Show in China Academy of Art
2014, Winner of the Lin Fengmian Scholarship of China Academy of Art
2013, Winner of the Gold Award for Champion Team in the First Greater China Film and Television Design Competition
2012, Winner of the Eighth Place in Zhejiang Sports Dance Championship

PRESS & MEDIA (SELECTION)

2023, *A Mountain of Closeness: Attempts on Three Kinds of Imagination*, Art Monthly, 2023.06

2023, *Yao Cong: Plotting a Nietzschean tragedy in tunnel space*, ARTCM/Art Lab, 2023.05

http://www.artcm.cn/customer/subject_detail/?id=1217

2023, *Super World Youth | Artist-YAO Cong*, SUPER WORLD YOUTH, 2023.07

https://mp.weixin.qq.com/s/KTL7uu_pfQ0FU-GTDXPuOA

2023, *After going around in a circle, the mountain is no longer a mountain*, The Art Lab, 2023.11

https://mp.weixin.qq.com/s/4EWoSs6mnGOet1iQGu0_2Q

2023, *The Reality of "Body" Delivery*, Art Museum of Nanjing University of the Arts, 2023.10

<https://mp.weixin.qq.com/s/WagMvEt2TSItukFrpp7ahg>

2022, *Opening Review-Some Times Your Legs Spread the Sleeping Waves*, JIMEI ARLES, Three Shadows Photography Art Centre, 2022.12

https://mp.weixin.qq.com/s/ztwg09hqRT7nYM9y8gWT_A

2022, *Fall from the Sky*, Art Monthly, 2022.05

<https://mp.weixin.qq.com/s/ceqROySO5iX7uFI5E0oNgQ>

2021, *Yao Cong: Flies beyond the Clouds*, ART REVIEW ASIA, Autumn 2021

<https://capsuleshanghai.com/press/150-artreview-asia-yao-cong/%EF%BB%BF>

2021, *NEW CURRENTS: Yao Cong*, ART ASIA PACIFIC, 2021.11

<https://capsuleshanghai.com/press/151-art-asia-pacific-new-currents-yao-cong/%EF%BB%BF>

2021, *ArtForum-Yao Cong*, ArtForum, 2021.08

<http://www.artforum.com.cn/picks/13503>

2020, *Wild History: Gold Canyon*, PLATESPACE, 2020.11

<https://mp.weixin.qq.com/s/6HLv0BVw1o7Ksz911rRe5g>

2020, *Bimonthly Exhibition-Variations of Space-Yao Cong*, Experimental Film Studio, 2020.02

<https://mp.weixin.qq.com/s/ndrJrz50diLjSeQIPwuCww>

2018, *YAO CONG: TWO VIDEOS COMPILATION*, ARTHUB, 2018.01

<http://arthubasia.org/screening/yao-cong-spring-under-bluetwo-videos-compilation>

2017, *VIDEONALE.16 Exhibits A Selection Of Video Art*, ArtJaws, 2017.06

<https://www.artjaws.com/en/videonale-16-exhibits-a-selection-of-video-art-from-his-latest-edition-at-artvilnius17-until-june-11th-2017/>

VISITING LECTURER & ARTIST TALKS

2024–2020, **Visiting Lecturer** in Experimental Arts Department/Film, Photography & Animation Department, Xi'an Academy of Fine Arts, Xi'an, China

2024.04, **Artist Talk**, *On the flux of 'Image-making'*, EAaD school, Xi'an Eurasia University, Xi'an, China

2023.10, **Guest Panelist**, *The Reality of 'Body' Delivery*, AMNUA/Art Museum of Nanjing University of Arts, Nanjing, China

2022.09, **Artist Talk**, *The Myth of Tides: Artist Talk*, Three Shadows Photography Art Centre, Xiamen, China

2021.06, **Artist Talk**, *Xi'an Art Book Fair-Artist Talk*, Xi'an Film Industry, Xi'an, China

2020.10, **Artist Talk**, *Wild History*-Artist Talk, Lanzhou Contemporary & Suchi Gallery, Lanzhou, China

2019.07, **Guest Panelist**, *Becoming/Art Salon*-the Exhibition of Annual of Contemporary of China, Minsheng Art Museum, Beijing, China

PUBLIC COLLECTIONS

Royal College of Art, UK

China Academy of Art, China

Li Xianting's Film Fund, China

Espronceda Center for Art & Culture, Spain