

Lu Gan (b.1998)



Lu Gan (b.1998) is a painter whose practice blends personal memories with her immediate surroundings. Drawing on fragmented thoughts, fleeting everyday encounters, and an ongoing study of the psyche, Gan composes visual fields that exist between experience and imagination, imbued with a subtle sense of unease. Born in China, she harks back to instinctive drawing habits rooted from her childhood, using simple lines to outline and define forms while intentionally preserving each brushstroke on the canvas, allowing the process of painting to remain visible.

Her paintings compress and contort perspective, ebbing and flowing between familiarity and abstraction. Through shifting spatial relationships and fluid compositions, the canvases invite viewers to re-experience the world from a perspective that diverges from conventional logic. The world appears open, in flux, and perpetually unresolved.

Gan holds a BA in painting from Guangzhou Academy of Fine Arts and MA in Painting from Royal College of Art, where she was the Ali H. Alkazzi Scholar.

Gan lives and works between London, UK, and Shenzhen, China.

Selected Solo Exhibitions

- 2026 (tba), Royal Society of Art, London, UK
Young Wave: Hive Becoming, Hive Centre for Contemporary of Art, Beijing, CN
RCA Degree Show, Royal College of Art, London, UK
Ongoing, Noho Studio, London, UK
- 2025 *Sonic Transitions: Auditory Stories of Female New Immigrants in Hong Kong*, Run Run Shaw CMC, HK
- 2024 *Leaping Refrain of La Vie*, La Vie Material Life Art Centre, Shenzhen, CN
HKFORWORD22, 10 Chancery Lane Gallery, HK
- 2020 *Painting for the Wind*, OCT Boxes Art Museum, Foshan, China
Touch on heat, The first exhibition of selected graduates of CAFA x GAFA, Guangzhou, CN
The choice of the graduation star in 2020, OCAT Boxes Art Space, Shenzhen, CN
Guangzhou Academy of Fine Arts Degree Show, Guangzhou, CN

Prizes, Fairs, and Residencies

- 2025 The Ali H. Alkazzi Scholarship Award - RCA UK
- 2020 Dayi Sketch Award - The First Edition of the School of Painting and Drawing in GAFA (Guangzhou CN)



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