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Hunsand Space | D02, 798 West Street, 798 Art District 010-57623059 | info@hunsand.com | www.hunsand.com 拾萬空间(北京)将于2023年12月30日呈现艺术家王希民的个展 《湍濑激人》。湍濑意为水浅流急处,当个人身处激流之中,往往会 为之裹挟、随之翻覆,即便心存不甘与改变,但大多也只能随波逐流、 载浮载沉,正是面对这种境遇的无力感,以及因无力而造成的愤怒促 成了王希民的创作动机。

山西省右玉县,王希民的故乡,自古便是北方游牧民族南下的要冲, 使得历代中原王朝不断在此筑城、建堡,与之分疆对垒。加之以往这 里恶劣的自然条件,在战争频发与生存抗争之下,留下了众多古堡、 古长城和古镇,虽然时代变迁已经改变了这里的人文和自然风貌,但 古老的法则和风俗依然在这里潜行,一如杀虎口、右卫镇、威远堡这 些地名所见证的亘古的苍莽与肃杀。

王希民自幼便成长在这历史与现代交汇的湍流中,以致儿时的视觉记 忆会不时闪现在如今的创作里,加之壁画系的科班训练赋予了他笼罩 全景的视角,于是过去和现在、地上与地下全部熔炼在一起,画中的 世界仿佛也因此重归混沌的孕育性时刻,于是时间重叠进而隐退,空 间与地域并置并混乱地挪移,最终留下无尽的斑驳、纠缠和复杂。

但王希民并没有掉入壁画图像中旁观式的图解、叙事和说教逻辑,反 而以画面中的形象作为个人情绪表达的载体,以此来回应当下具体、 真实的生存境遇。所以深处迷局之中,艺术家无法将自己视为置身事 外的第三者,并以此来俯视所谓的众生,因而他的作品从未有"人" 的出现,而是以走兽飞禽、植被草木来负荷生命,将人拉至与其同等 的初始维度中——一种在烈火、尘烟和荆棘中的无助、无奈以及挣脱

和挣扎。

王希民, 1992年生于山西省右玉县。2015年本科毕业于中央美术学院 壁画系, 2019年硕士毕业于中央美术学院壁画系。现任教于中央美术 学院壁画系。

Hunsand Space (Beijing) is delighted to present the solo exhibition "Riveting Rapids" by the artist Wang Ximin on December 30, 2023. "湍濑" refers to a place where the water is shallow and the flow is rapid. When individuals find themselves in turbulent currents, they are often carried along, overturned. Even if one harbors reluctance and a desire for change, most can only go with the flow, rising and falling with the current. It is precisely the sense of powerlessness in the face of such circumstances, along with the anger resulting from this helplessness, that motivates Wang Ximin's artistic creation.

Youyu County, Shanxi Province, Wang Ximin's hometown, has historically been a strategic location where northern nomadic tribes clash with the central plains, leading to the construction of numerous castles and fortresses by successive dynasties, marking the border and confrontation. Coupled with the harsh natural conditions of the past, amid frequent wars and struggles for survival, many ancient castles, sections of the Great Wall, and ancient towns have been left behind. Although the changes of the times have altered the cultural and natural landscape, ancient rules and customs still linger, as witnessed by names such as "Kill Tiger Pass," "You Wei Town," and "Wei Yuan Fortress"—testimonies to the timeless vastness and solemnity.

Growing up in the turbulent confluence of history and modernity, Wang Ximin's childhood visual memories occasionally flash in his current creations. Coupled with the formal training in mural art, which endows him with a panoramic perspective, the past and the present, the surface and the underground, merge together. The world within the paintings seems to return to the chaotic moments of gestation, causing time to overlap and eventually recede. Spaces and regions juxtapose and shift chaotically, leaving behind endless mottling, entanglement, and complexity.

However, Wang Ximin does not fall into the interpretative, narrative, and didactic logic of mural image observation. Instead, he uses the images in the paintings as a vehicle for personal emotional expression, responding to the specific and real circumstances of contemporary existence. Deep within the labyrinth, the artist cannot view himself as a detached third party, looking down on the so-called sentient beings. Consequently, his works never depict the presence of "humans" but use animals, birds, and vegetation to bear the burden of life, pulling people into an initial dimension on equal footing—a state of helplessness, inevitability, and the

struggle to break free, all within the raging fires, dust, and thorns.

Wang Ximin, born in 1992 in Youyu County, Shanxi Province, graduated with a Bachelor's degree from the Mural Department of the Central Academy of Fine Arts in 2015 and completed his Master's degree in the Mural Department of the Central Academy of Fine Arts in 2019. He is currently teaching in the Mural Painting Department of the Central Academy of Fine Arts.







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30×20×4.5cm







宁谧时分 / Tranquil Moments

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廷徒者 / Migrant 蜂窝铝板、麻布、麦秸、黄土、明胶、墨 | Honeycomb aluminum panel, burlap, wheat straw, loess, gelatin, ink,etc 21.5×250.5×5cm 2023







不可预测的结局 | Unforeseeable Ending 蜂窝铝板、麻布、麦秸、黄土、明胶、墨 | Honeycomb aluminum panel, burlap, wheat straw, loess, gelatin, ink,etc 100×300×5cm 2023









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荆棘缠绕 | Ensnared Amidst Thorns

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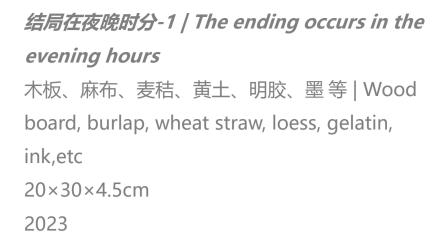


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