

# SUIYANG LONG ( Steven Dragonn )

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## Steven Dragonn

Curator | Artist | Cinéaste | Gallerist

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Born in Guangzhou, Dragonn graduated from the Afflicted High School of Guangzhou Academy of Fine Art in 2001. In 2005, he graduated from the Sculpture Department of Guangzhou Academy of Fine Art with a BFA and went to France. In 2009, he had his master degree in the Film and Multimedia Art Department of the Université de Paris-Est, France. He was the former curator of Contemporary Art Program of Memorial Hall of Lingnan School of Painting in Guangzhou, China, chief curator of Kids' Triennial of Canton (2015), Guangzhou, China, art director of R Space in Vancouver, Canada. Now he works as an independent curator in both Guangzhou and Vancouver. He is founder of Canton-sardine, co-founder of Contemporary Art Edu-institute, Visiting lecturer of Guangzhou Academy of Fine Art.

Steven Dragonn speaks practically in Cantonese, Chinese mandarin, English and French.

## WORKING EXPERIENCE

- 2010-2013, **Curatorial Assistant** to the *Memorial of Lingnan School of Painting*, Guangzhou, China.
- 2013-2016, **Curator** to contemporary art section to *Memorial of Lingnan School of Painting*, Guangzhou, China.
- 2012- **Art consultant** to *Modern O2 Fashion Art Media*, Guangzhou, China.
- 2014- **Founder** and **Instructional Director** of *Contemporary Art Edu-institute*, Guangzhou, China.  
**Visiting lecturer** to Guangzhou Academy of Fine art
- 2015 **Curator and Juror** to “*Children’s Triennial Canton*”, hosted by the Guangzhou Municipal Education Bureau, Guangzhou, China.
- 2015-2018 Annual **Design Director** to Seasonal Chinese Contemporary Folklore Magazine “*Tian Nan*”, China.
- 2016-2017 **Co-founder** and **Curatorial Director** to *AT Space* (NPO), Guangzhou, China.
- 2016-2018 **Art Director** to *R Space Art Development Foundation* (NPO), Vancouver, Canada.
- 2017- **Instructor** to NPC Art and Design College, Richmond, Canada.
- 2018- **Instructor** to Academy of Modern Art, Vancouver, Canada.
- 2018- **Founder** of Canton-sardine (Artist run center), Vancouver, Canada.  
**Co-founder** and **Director** to Shang Foundation for Art, Canada (Non-profit Organization registered in Federal)

## EDUCATION

- 1997-2001 Attached High School of Guangzhou Academy of Fine Art  
2001-2005 Sculpture Section, Guangzhou Academy of Fine Art, **Bachelor's Degree**.  
2006-2009 Art and Science of Recording, Cinema, Digital Art and Sound Department, University of Marne-la-Vallée, Paris, France, **Master's Degree**.

## CURATORIAL EXHIBITIONS

- 2010-2011, - "Master Lai Hong-choi century memorial exhibition, a grand master of chinese painting" **Associated-curator**, Museum of Guangzhou Academy of Fine Arts, Guangzhou / National Fine-Art Museum of China, Beijing, China
- 2012 -"Lingnan School of Painting in Shanghai - Research and International Symposium" **Curatorial Assistant**, Memorial of Lingnan School of Painting, Guangzhou, China
- 2013 -"Other Regionality - Youth Experimental Art Exhibition" **Executive Curator**, Memorial of Lingnan School of Painting, Guangzhou, China
- 2014 -"Micro exhibition" **Curator**, Gaia Space, Guangzhou, China  
-"Fantasy country - Deng Yu, Liu Bin & Lin Weixiang works exhibition" **Curator**, Sun Plaza, Guangzhou, China  
-"Lingnan School of Painting and Guangdong Chinese Painting Resurrection Movement - International Symposium Research Exhibition" **Executive Curator**, Lingnan Painting Memorial Hall, Guangzhou, China  
-"Dream as horse - young artists tour exhibition" **Curatorial assistant**, Guangzhou - Dongguan - Zhongshan, China – Heidelberg, Germany
- 2015 -"Original - the first Children's Triennial Canton" **Chief Curator**, Art Museum of Guangzhou Academy of Fine Arts, Guangzhou, China  
-"Yang Zhiguang Art Research Exhibition" **Curatorial assistant**, Art Museum of Guangzhou Academy of Fine Arts, Guangzhou, China
- 2016 -"Boundary of Nature - Guo Yan Edition Print Exhibition" **Curator**, R Space, Vancouver, Canada  
-"What the hell?" **Curator**, Contemporary Art Center for AT Space, Guangzhou, China
- 2017 -"Pins: A new project of Gu Xiong" (Granted by the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada) **Curator**, R Space, Vancouver,

Canada

- "What you looking at?!" **Co-curator**, Plaza Projects, Richmond, Canada
  - "Every day: Zhang Wei works exhibition" **Co-curator** with Kelvin Huang, Kui Yuan Gallery, Guangzhou, China
  - "Tan Weishan: Making Statues for over 60-year-olds in Shengjing Village" **Curator**, R Space (Selected in Capture Photo Festival), Vancouver, Canada
  - "Li Xuefeng: Edward Hopper & Journey to the west" **Co-curator**, R Space (Selected in Capture Photo Festival), Vancouver, Canada
  - "Genes in Floating: The immigration story by Pok-Chi Lau" **Associated-curator**, R Space, Vancouver, Canada
  - "Another summer: Zhang Wei & He Feng" **Curator**, Viridian Gallery, Vancouver, Canada
- 2018
- "Deng Jianjin: Organ sociology" **Curator**, R Space, Vancouver, Canada
  - "Su Xiangmei: Crossing between grids" **Curator**, R Space, Vancouver, Canada
  - "I moved to 2756 on that street since 2016' Charlotte Yao solo exhibition" **Curator**, R Space, (Selected in Capture Photo Festival) Vancouver, Canada
  - "Poetic Ubiety: Meishan Land Art Festival" , **Curator**, OCT Franco-chine Agri Science Villa, Meishan, Sichuan, China
  - "He Lixiao: Minor" **Curator**, Canton-sardine, Vancouver, Canada
- 2019
- "Lam Wong: Mind Transition", **Curator**, Canton-sardine, Vancouver, Canada
  - "Katharine Yi Ment-yuan: Healing Brush", **Curator**, Canton-sardine, Vancouver, Canada
  - "Yiming Wang: Flags", **Curator**, Canton-sardine, Vancouver, Canada
  - "Immortal of Play", **Curator**, Canton-sardine, Vancouver, Canada
- 2020
- "Investigation of Things- Canada-China Exchange Exhibition for Young Emerging Artists" **Co-curator**, Dr. Sun Yat-sen Classical Chinese Garden, Vancouver, Canada
  - "No.223: Satellite of Love", **Co-curator**, Canton-sardine, (Selected in Capture Photo Festival) Vancouver, Canada
  - "O Zhang: 2020: I Am Your Monolith", **Co-curator**, Canton-sardine, Vancouver, Canada
  - "Gu Xiong: The Remains of A Journey", **Co-curator**, Centre A & Canton-sardine, (Granted by Canada Council for the Arts, BC Art Council, City of Vancouver), Vancouver, Canada
- 2021
- "Wang Qingsong: Fotofest", Co-curator, Canton-sardine, (Selected in Capture Photo Festival and Received Inaugural Printing Prize), Vancouver, Canada

**EXHIBITIONS (As Artist)**

July 2008 Participated to Group Exhibition "7788", O-project, Guangzhou, China.

- Aug.2013 Participated to Group Exhibition "Another Regionality", MLSP, Guangzhou, China.
- May 2014 Solo Photography Exhibition "Steven Dragonn & His Leica M8", Sun Plaza Gallery, Guangzhou, China.
- Feb. 2016 Participated to Group Exhibition "Chinese Pop Art", Ferrari and Maserati Center, Vancouver, Canada.
- Aug. 2016 Participated to Group Exhibition "Light of Line", Viridian Gallery, Vancouver, Canada.
- Jan. 2017 Participated to Group Exhibition "Signpost", Viridian Gallery, Vancouver, Canada.

### **PUBLIC ART (As Artist)**

- 2015 "Two Deers" stainless steel, H8mxL10mx D9m, lead artist, co-operated with artist Cai Chujun (project manager), Banzhang Ridge Park, Hui Dong, China

### **KEYNOTE SPEAKER**

- 2016 "A visual culture report of Canada" School of Visual Art and Design, Guangzhou Academy of Fine Art, Guangzhou, China.
- 2019 "The North: Visual Art in Canada", Visual Culture Symposium, School of Communication and Design, Sun Yat-sen University, Guangzhou, China.
- 2020 "The Immergence of Chinese contemporary art in International art scene" Vancouver Art Gallery, Vancouver, Canada.

### **GRANTS & AWARDS**

- 2021 -"Wang Qingsong: Fotofest", Co-curator, Canton-sardine, (Selected in Capture Photo Festival and Received Inaugural Printing Prize), Vancouver, Canada
- Received Explore and Create in Visual Art Project Grant from Canada Council for the Art