

island6 & Studio Rouge

Present

“30 Degrees”

30 Years, 30 Artists, 30 Perspectives

Press Release

Exhibition: In 1979 China opened her door to the world, ending an extended period of political, economic and cultural isolation. China's subsequent rapid modernization and development has astonished us all.

The past three decades has seen a blossoming of Chinese contemporary art. Chinese artists, often inspired by their peers abroad, have launched into new arenas of visual communication to explore, exalt and critique, the contradictions and challenges of their contemporary existence.

30 Degrees presents thirty fresh and diverse artists working in a variety of mediums including oil on canvas, ink on paper, electronic media, video, photography, conceptual installation, performance and sculpture.

In addition, every Friday evening during the duration of **30 Degrees**, island6 will host various events, including short film screenings, dance performances by Wu Yandan, Li Lingxi, musical happenings by Tom Lee Pettersen, Manels Favre and Zheng Yuyue; as well as discussion panels on contemporary art and the China context by local and foreign lecturers.

30 Degrees is a celebration of the energy, excitement, creativity and thoughtful introspection of China's new generation artists inspired by an environment of accelerated flux.

The production of **30 Degrees** is a dynamic collaboration between two of Shanghai's leading independent contemporary art galleries: island6 & Studio Rouge

Artists: Cai Duobao, Thomas Charvériat, Fxbeyreuther, Chen Hangfeng, Cheng Wei, Deng Hui, Greg Girard, Guo Lizhong, Han Qing, He Yixia, Nick Hersey, Jiang Weitao, Li Lingxi, Lu Chi, Mao Yu, Zane Melleupe, Alex Ouairy, Tom Lee Pettersen, Ren Hong, Song Wei, Tan Ping, Rose Tang, Wu Yandan, Xu Zhifeng, Xue Song, Zhang Dali, Zhang Liyu, Zhang Zhaohui, Zhao Bo, Zhou Jun

Curation: George Michell with the participation of Zane Melleupe & Thomas Charvériat

Venue: island6, 50 Moganshan Rd, bldg #6, 2F
Shanghai 200060, PRC

Dates: September 6th 2009 – October 25th 2009

Vernissage: September 6th 2009 - 8pm

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About Us

Founded in 2006, **island6 Arts Center** is an artist-founded, artist-run organization based in Shanghai.

island6 Arts Center operates on a non-profit basis and is governed by voluntary staff.

island6 is dedicated to the support of emerging artists and to the constant initiation of site-specific projects.

island6's mission is to provide a forum for contemporary artists whose works explore social, aesthetic, and philosophical issues. Since April 2006, **island6 Arts Center** has shown 198 artists from 21 different countries, sponsored 110 resident artists, organized 37 exhibitions and helped in the creation of 1900 art projects. In 2007 **island6 Arts Center**, under the artistic direction of Thomas Charvériat & Zane Melleupe, founded Liu Dao, a collective of emerging Chinese and international artists. Liu Dao explores the cultural potential in the convergence of art, technology and science, and their discoveries are applied to the development of the artist community.

Studio Rouge is a platform for outstanding art from both established and emerging artists of China.