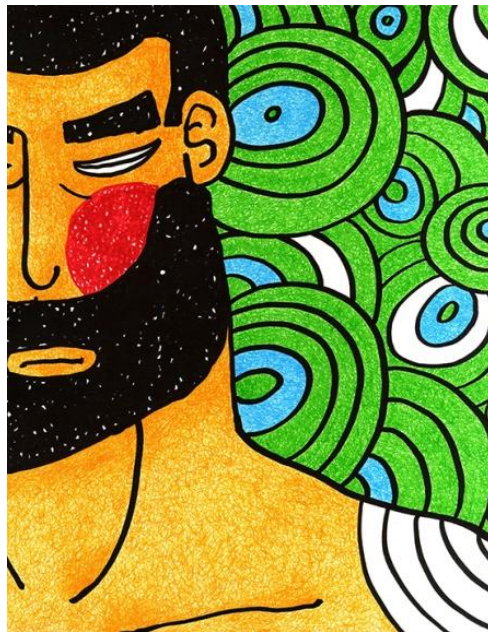


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## **New City, Different Cognition**

**—Willie Yao: 2 Solo Exhibition in New York, 2015**  
**Press Release**



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Water Color on Paper 375X355mm 2015

Willie Yao (Yugong Yao, a young emerging Chinese artist) will have his second solo exhibition named 2 held in CARMA, an artsy restaurant in New York's West Village, on September 9, 2015. The exhibition will present the newest painting and installation works by Willie Yao. From the artist's unique perspective, he observes the urban phenomena and employs abstract forms to reveal his contemplation. His works combine the artist's personal experience, with freedom of line and rich colors. Full of imaginative expression, from the poetic "lines to starry night" to the far-reaching implication of the portrait, Yao reinterprets a different perception of urban life. This exhibition is a continuation of the last year's BLUSH exhibition in Sanlitun, Beijing.

Also this year, Yao has been represented in a new group exhibition held in China. The exhibition named  $f = 1/T$  was curated by FA Space, a Chinese upstart art organizations. In addition, the artist has been approved for a new exhibition and is beginning preparations for the various art forms of the crossover projects.

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## About Artist



Willie Yao (Yugong Yao) was born in Shanghai in 1984, now lives in New York. After graduating from Shanghai Jiao Tong University, Willie entered the media industry, engaged in a variety of work, such as newspaper editor, magazine editor and PR management. But he never gave up painting, served as the illustrator of "GQ", "Bazaar", "Modern Weekly" and many of the domestic mainstream media and fashion magazines.

In 2013, Willie began to rethink and define his own artistic creation, and established his unique artistic style of creation. Willie makes good use of different painting materials and media to show unique and rich topics, pondering sensitive to repeated and changing, given the serious crowd will explore and experiment together, and once again get back to feeling fun personality and modern adult world.

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