**L U C O N G**

**Born:**

1978, Shanghai, China

**Education:**

2000, BA in Art and Biology, University of Iowa

**Biography:**

Lucong (Cong Hua Lu) was born in 1978 in Shanghai, China. At the age of 11, he immigrated with his family to Muscatine, Iowa. After graduating from the University of Iowa with B.A. degrees in biology and art, Cong moved to Denver, there he followed his calling and began his career as a painter. With almost no formal training, Lu developed distinctive styles that quickly garnered acclaim. In 2003 he was called a "rising star" in the Denver art scene by the local newspaper. In 2004 his works are exhibited along side with some of the most recognized representational painters at Denver's Gallery 1261. In 2005 he became the youngest artist invited to participate in the prestigious Salon d'Arts show in Denver. Also in 2005 he made Southwestern Art Magazine's annual "21 artists to watch under the age of 31" list. In 2007 Fine Art Connoisseur Magazine named Cong as one of five "today's masters making their marks."

**Selected Exhibitions and Awards:**

2023Winter Group Show, Gallery Henoch, New York, NY

2023Summer Group Show, Gallery Henoch, New York, NYHoliday Group Show, Gallery Henoch, New York, NY

 Art Miami, Miami, FL

2022 Group Show, Gallery Henoch, New York, NY

2021 ArtMiami, Miami, FL

 Winter Group Show, Gallery Henoch, New York, NY

2020 Winter Group Show, Gallery Henoch, New York, NY

2019 ArtMiami, Miami, FL

 Dallas Art Fair, TX

 Winter Group Show, Gallery Henoch, New York, NY

2018 ArtMiami: Context, Miami, FL

 Art New York, NY

 Dallas Art Fair, TX

 Group Show, Gallery Henoch, New York, NY

2017 ArtMiami: Context, Miami, FL

 Group Show, Gallery Henoch, New York, NY

2016 *50 Years a Dealer: George Henoch Shechtman,* Gallery Henoch, New York, NY

2015 Winter Group Show, Gallery Henoch, New York, NY

2014 ArtMiami: Context, Miami, FL

 *Stranger than Fiction*, Jonathan Levine Gallery, New York, NY

 Dallas Art Fair, TX

 Group Show, Gallery Henoch, New York, NY

2013 ArtMiami: Context, Miami, FL

 Group Show, Gallery Henoch, New York, NY Dallas Art Fair, TX

 *Uncanny*, Contemporary Art Galleries, University of Connecticut, Storrs, CT

2012 Group Show, Gallery Henoch, New York, NY Dallas Art Fair, TX

2011 Group Show, Gallery Henoch, New York, NY Dallas Art Fair, TX2010 Group Show, Gallery Henoch, New York, NY 2009 *Windows to the Divine*, juried show, awarded the Southwestern Art Award of

 Excellence, Madden Museum, Greenwood Village, CO2008 Solo Show, Vail International Gallery, Vail, CO2007 *Superfluous*, solo show, Gallery 1261, Denver, CO2006 *Le Jeune Salon*, juried show, featured artist, Colorado History Museum, Denver, CO2005 *Salon d'Arts*, juried show, Colorado History Museum, Denver, CO2004 *Art and Soul*, juried show, Best of Show, Art Students League of Denver, CO2002 *Art and Soul*, juried show, Best of Show, Art Students League of Denver, CO