

# AN ARTE

GALLERY & STUDIO

## VICTOR WANG



### BIOGRAPHY

Victor Wang grew up in Northern China and graduated BFA from The Lu Xun Academy of Fine Arts, one of three top art institutes in China. After graduation, he taught there for four and a half years and was sent to The University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign as a visiting scholar. He earned his MFA at Fontbonne University. He currently lives in St. Louis, where he teaches painting, drawing, and graduate critique classes as a full professor at Fontbonne University. He has exhibited widely across the country and internationally and has won various awards for excellence, including awards for both painting and art instruction. His work has been shown nationally and internationally. The human figures in his paintings serve as vehicles to convey the human experience, representing the emotional tension and psychological drama of life's turning points. Nostalgia, harmony, passion, agony, sadness, and pleasure are all revealed in his new body of work in the last decade. The images portrayed in his art are provoked by childhood memories and past experiences. An artist often tells one story repeatedly, however, his story is created from the images and feelings from his past experiences that represent the memories of his life.

### ARTIST STATEMENT

*The Whisperer*

*In this painting, I want to explore the notion of the unknown power in a symbolic way. As human beings, we sometimes search our surroundings to protect ourselves from danger. Meanwhile, we are oblivious to a threat from an unknown power that silently approaching.*