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## SUH SE OK

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### EDUCATION

1950 BFA, Seoul National University, Seoul, Korea

### SELECTED SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- 2018 *Suh Se Ok*, Lehmann Maupin, New York
- 2016 *Suh Se Ok*, Gallery Hyundai, Seoul
- 2015 *Suh Se Ok*, National Museum of Modern and Contemporary Art (MMCA), Seoul
- 2014 *Suh Se Ok*, Lotte Gallery, Busan
- 2008 *Where Clouds Disperse: Ink Paintings by Suh Se Ok*, Museum of Fine Arts Houston, Houston
- 2007 *People by Suh Se Ok*, Maison Hermes, Tokyo  
*People: Suh Se Ok*, Daejeon Museum of Art, Daejeon, Korea
- 2005 *Suh Se Ok (The Artist of the Year)*, National Museum of Modern and Contemporary Art, Deoksugung, Seoul
- 2003 *Suh Se Ok*, Gallery Bijutsu Sekai, Tokyo  
*Suh Se Ok*, Uihy Art Museum, Gwangju, Korea
- 2000 *Suh Se Ok*, Special Exhibition at Gwangju Biennial, Gwangju, Korea
- 1996 *Suh Se Ok*, Gallery Hyundai, Seoul
- 1989 *Suh Se Ok*, Gallery Hyundai, Seoul
- 1985 *Suh Se Ok*, Sydney Mishkin Gallery, Baruch College, New York
- 1983 *Suh Se Ok*, Pacific Asia Museum, Pasadena
- 1979 *Suh Se Ok*, Gallery Ueda, Tokyo
- 1974 *Suh Se Ok*, Gallery Hyundai, Seoul

1971 *Paintings by Sanjeong Suh Se Ok*, Shinsegae Gallery, Seoul

## SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2015 *College of Fine Arts Archives: Oriental Painting*, Seoul National University Museum of Art, Seoul  
*Korean Abstract Painting—45th Anniversary of Gallery Hyundai*, Gallery Hyundai, Seoul
- 2014 *Buncheong Ceramics and Contemporary Paintings*, Kyungwon Museum, Seoul  
*Leeum 10th Anniversary Exhibition: Beyond and Between*, Leeum, Samsung Museum of Art, Seoul  
*People—The Exhibition of Cultural Exchange between Korea and Kazakhstan*, The Gallery of Modern Art The Palace of Independence, Astana, Kazakhstan  
*Then and Now: Celebrating 60th Anniversary of The National Academy of Arts of The Republic of Korea*, National Museum of Modern and Contemporary Art, Deoksugung, Korea  
*Moment of Truth: Korean Painting and Print*, Museum San, Wonju, Korea  
*The Artistic Spirit of Modern Artists on Paper*, Gallery Hyundai, Seoul
- 2013 The 34th Fine Arts Exhibition of the National Academy of Arts, The National Academy of Arts of Republic of Korea, Seoul, Korea  
*Writings become paintings*, POSCO Art Museum, Seoul, Korea  
*Closer to Contemporary Art II- Abstract Art Is Real*, Gyeonggi Museum of Modern Art, Ansan, Korea  
*Contemporary Art & Calligraphy- At the Nexus of Painting and Writing*, Seoul Calligraphy Art Museum, Seoul
- 2012 *Pure Era*, Seongbuk Museum of Art, Seoul  
*Korean Art in Textbooks*, Museum of Art, Seoul National University, Seoul
- 2011 *Nature, Life, Human*, Daegu Art Museum, Daegu, Korea  
*International Exchange Exhibition of the National Academy of Arts of the Korea and Japan*; The National Academy of Arts of The Republic Korea, Seoul  
*Kim Jeonghui, Quac Insik, Suh Se ok, Lee Ufan*, Gonggan Purple, Seoul  
*Artist of the Year 1995-2010*, National Museum of Modern and Contemporary Art, Seoul  
*The Great Masters of Korean Art*, Ulsan Culture Art Center, Ulsan, Korea  
*Korean Rhapsody*, Leeum, Samsung Museum of Art, Seoul  
*Collection Exhibition of Seongbuk Museum of Art*, Seongbuk Museum of Art, Seoul
- 2010 *Exchange Exhibition of the National Academy of Arts of the Korea and Japan*, National Academy of Arts of The Republic Korea, Seoul  
*The Presence*, Seongbuk Museum of Art, Seoul  
*Raising*, Seongbuk Museum of Art, Seoul  
*Oh! Masterpieces*, Gyeonggi Museum of Art, Ansan, Korea
- 2009 *Beginning of the Image*, Seongbuk Museum of Art, Seoul  
The 31st Fine Arts Exhibition of the National Academy of Arts, The National Academy of Arts of Republic of Korea, Seoul, Korea  
*From Text to Image*, Suwon Art Center, Suwon, Korea
- 2008 The 30th Fine Arts Exhibition of the National Academy of Arts, The National Academy of Arts of Republic of Korea Seoul, Korea  
*Art is Alive*, Busan Biennale, Busan, Korea
- 2007 *3rd Exhibition of Literature and Art*, Sejong Museum of Art, Seoul  
*Void in Korean Art*, Leeum, Samsung Museum of Art, Seoul  
*Poetry in Motion*, Gallery Beyeler, Basel, Switzerland  
*The 17 Brightest Artists—Latest Works*, Insa Art Center, Seoul  
*Drawing From Korea 1870-1970*, SOMA Museum of Art, Seoul
- 2005 *Invitation to Modern Art*, Museum of Art, Seoul National University, Seoul  
*The 35th Anniversary Exhibition- Modern & Contemporary Masters Part II*, Gallery Hyundai, Seoul  
*Korean Paintings Vision 2005*, Seoul Arts Center Museum, Seoul  
*Encounter with Modernism: Highlights from the Stedelijk Museum and the National Museum of Modern and Contemporary Art*, Deoksugung, Korea

- 2004 *Inaugural Exhibition*, Leeum, Samsung Museum of Art, Seoul
- 2003 *New Paradigm of Drawing*, National Museum of Modern and Contemporary Art, Seoul  
*20 Years Together*, Parkryusook Gallery, Seoul
- 2002 *Elegance and Wit: The Making of Modern Korean Painting*, Ho-Am Art Gallery, Yongin, Korea  
*Four-Person Exhibit of Artists Who Developed Contemporary Korean Art: Using Korean Paper as the Material*, Gallery Bijutsu Sekai, Tokyo
- 2001 *Work-1*, Gana Art Center, Seoul  
*Asia Art Exhibition for Peace*, Tokyo  
*Development of Contemporary Art of Korea*, Gallery Hyundai, Seoul  
*Journey of Contemporary Korean Art in 21st Century*, Sejong Museum of Art, Seoul  
*Korean Contemporary Art Festival*, Seoul Arts Center Museum, Seoul  
*Fragrance of Ink: Contemporary Ink Paintings of Korea, China and Japan*, National Museum of Modern and Contemporary Art, Korea  
*Play of the Hand: Drawings of Korean Masters in the 20th century*, National Museum of Modern and Contemporary Art, Deoksugung, Seoul
- 2000 *Art of 2000*, Gallery Hyundai, Seoul  
*200 Selected Works of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century Korean Art*, Korea University Museum, Seoul  
*The Origin of Contemporary Korean Art*, National Museum of Modern and Contemporary Art, Seoul  
*What is so of itself*, POSCO Art Museum, Seoul
- 1999 *50 Years of Korean Art: 1950-1999*, Gallery Hyundai, Seoul  
Seoul Grand Art Exhibition, Seoul Museum of Art, Seoul  
*Land of Morning Calm*, Musee des Arts Asiatiques, Nice, France  
*Korea-Japan Exchange Exhibition: Between Self and Others*, Korean Culture and Arts Foundation Art Center, Seoul  
*Tradition and Modernity: Contemporary Korean Art*, Museum of Asian Art, Staatliche Museen, Berlin
- 1998 *Between the Unknown Straits: Art now in Japan and Korea*, Korean Culture Arts Foundation, Seoul  
Meguro Museum of Arts, Tokyo; National Museum of Art, Osaka, Japan  
Parkryusook Gallery, Seoul  
*Beauty of Moderation*, Gallery Hyundai, Seoul  
Seoul Grand Art Exhibition, Seoul Museum of Art, Seoul
- 1997 *Grands Et Jeunes D' Aujourd' hui*, Espace Eiffel-Branly, Paris  
*Exchange Exhibition of South and North Korea*, Tokyo  
Seoul Grand Art Exhibition, Seoul Museum of Art, Seoul
- 1996 Seoul Grand Art Exhibition, Seoul Grand Art Exhibition, Seoul  
*The Spirit of Korean Abstract Painting*, Ho-Am Art Gallery, Yongin, Korea  
*Korean Art Exhibition for Peace*, Grand Gallery, Sapporo; Mainichi Shinbung Gallery, Osaka, Japan
- 1995 *52 Artists from Home and Abroad*, Gallery Hyundai, Seoul  
*Korean Art Exhibition for Peace*, Gallery Bijutsu Sekai, Tokyo  
*Nature of Korea and Contemplation*, Parkryusook Gallery, Seoul  
*Contemporary Korean Art Exhibition*, Musee d' Art Moderne de la Ville de Paris
- 1994 Seoul Grand Art Exhibition, Seoul Museum of Art, Seoul  
*Tradition and Today*, Sonje Museum of Art(Wooyang Museum of Contemporary Art), Gyeongju, Korea  
*Fifty Years of Contemporary Korean Painting*, Hanlim Art Museum, Daejeon, Korea  
*Popularization of Art*, Gallery Hyundai, Seoul  
*The Face of Contemporary Art: 40 Years*, Ho-Am Art Gallery, Seoul
- 1993 *Special Exhibition of Senior Korean Painters*, Wonkwang University Museum, Iksan, Korea  
*Six-Person Exhibition of Ink and Oil Painters*, Hena-Kent Gallery, Seoul  
*Tradition and Reform, A Half Century of Modern Art in the Seoul*, Seoul National University Museum, Seoul  
*Korean Art: Yesterday and Now*, Daejeon Museum of Art, Daejeon, Korea  
*One Hundred Fervent Years of Contemporary Korean Art*, Gallery Hyundai, Seoul

- Seoul Grand Art Exhibition, Seoul Museum of Art, Seoul  
*Exchange Exhibition of Korean- China Artists Association*, Nanjing Museum, Nanjing, China  
*Symbols and Pictographs*, Gallery Hyundai, Seoul
- 1992 *Contemporary Artists—The 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Jean Art Gallery*, Jean Art Gallery, Seoul  
*Contemporary Artists from Korea and China*, Beijing Institute of Chinese Paining, Beijing  
 Seoul Grand Art Exhibition, Seoul Museum of Art, Seoul  
*Contemporary Korean Art Exhibition*, Sonje Museum of Art (Wooyang Museum of Contemporary Art), Gyeongju, Korea  
*Contemporary Korean Art Exhibition*, Simonoseki City Museum, Nakata City Museum, Japan
- 1991 Seoul Grand Art Exhibition, Seoul Museum of Art, Seoul  
*Contemporary Art Exhibition*, National Museum of Modern and Contemporary Art, Korea  
*Contemporary Korean Art Exhibition*, Zagreb, Croatia  
*Contemporary Korean Art Exhibition*, Sonje Museum of Art(Wooyang Museum of Contemporary Art), Gyeongju, Korea
- 1990 *Inaugural Exhibition*, Seoul Arts Center Museum, Seoul  
 Seoul Grand Art Exhibition, Seoul Museum of Art, Seoul
- 1989 *Special Exhibition of 8 Senior Korean Painters*, Yeemock Gallery, Seoul  
*Artists on the Cover of Art World Magazine*, Kyung-In Museum of Fine Art, Seoul  
*Contemporary Korean Painting*, National Museum of Modern and Contemporary Art, Korea;  
 Bergen Museum, Paramus, USA  
 Seoul Grand Art Exhibition, National Museum of Modern and Contemporary Art, Korea  
*Contemporary Art Exhibition*, National Museum of Modern and Contemporary Art, Korea  
*Return to Marco Polo*, Drout Gallery, Paris, France; History Museum, Beijing, China  
*Exhibition Commemorating the Foundation of the 'Sun Art Journal'*, Sun Gallery, Seoul
- 1988 *Contemporary Artists—Inaugural Exhibition of Gallery Chosun*, Gallery Chosun, Seoul  
*Contemporary Korean Artists-Inaugural Exhibition of the Korea World Trade Center Gallery*, World Trade Center Gallery,  
 Seoul  
 Seoul Grand Art Exhibition, Seoul Museum of Art, Seoul  
*The International Contemporary Art Festival*, National Museum of Modern and Contemporary Art, Korea  
*Selected Works by Leading Korean Artists*, Alphine New York Gallery, New York
- 1987 Seoul Grand Art Exhibition, Seoul Museum of Art, Seoul  
*Contemporary Art Exhibition*, National Museum of Modern and Contemporary Art, Korea  
*Four Ink Painters*, Gallery Hyundai, Seoul
- 1986 Seoul Grand Art Exhibition, Seoul Museum of Art, Seoul  
*Status of Korean Art*, Cultural Hall of Seoul Olympic and Asian Game, Seoul  
*Asian Contemporary Ink Painting*, Korean Culture and Arts Foundation Art Center, Seoul  
*100 Years of Korean Painting*, Ho-Am Art Gallery, Yongin, Korea  
*Then and Now of Contemporary Korea Arts*, National Museum of Modern and Contemporary Art, Korea
- 1985 *Contemporary Asian Art*, National Museum of Modern and Contemporary Art, Korea
- 1984 *Jeju Island Exhibition*, Jeju Cultural Center, Jeju, Korea  
*Contemporary Art Exhibition*, National Museum of Modern and Contemporary Art, Korea  
 Seoul Grand Art Exhibition, Seoul Museum of Art, Seoul  
*Calligraphy and Paintings by Celebrities*, Jeju Museum of Natural History, Jeju, Korea  
*Korean Art of the 60's-Informel and Its Environs*, Walker Hill Art Center, Seoul
- 1983 *'83 MBC Exhibition*, Munwha Broadcasting Corporation, Seoul
- 1982 *Small Paintings by Senior Painters*, Yeouido Gallery, Seoul  
*Inaugural Exhibition of Dongsuh Gallery*, Dongsuh Gallery, Seoul  
*Find-raising Exhibition for the Independence Hall*, Korean Culture and Arts Foundation Art Center, Seoul  
*Scholarship-fund-raising Exhibition for the Poor Artists in the Neighborhood*, Seongbuk District  
 Office Exhibition Hall, Seoul  
*Korea-China Calligraphy and Painting Exhibition*, National Museum of Modern and Contemporary Art, Korea  
*Early Spring Exhibition of 12 Ink Painters*, Sun Gallery, Seoul

- 1981 *7th Jeju Island Exhibition*, Jeju Cultural Center, Jeju, Korea  
*Sambo Gallery Exhibition*, Sambo Gallery, Seoul  
*KBS Charity Exhibition*, Korean Broadcasting System, Seoul  
*Songwon Gallery Exhibition*, Songwon Gallery, Seoul  
*Korean Drawing Exhibition*, Brooklyn Museum of Art, New York  
*Fund-raising Exhibition for the National Museum of Modern and Contemporary Art*, Seoul  
*Inaugural Exhibition of Baeksang Memorial Hall*, Seoul  
*Dongsanbang Gallery Exhibition*, Dongsanbang Gallery, Seoul  
*Contemporary Drawing*, National Museum of Modern and Contemporary Art, Gwacheon, Korea  
*Bando Gallery Exhibition*, Bando Gallery, Seoul  
*Inaugural Exhibition of Woo Gallery*, Woo Gallery, Seoul  
30th National Fine Art Exhibition, National Museum of Modern and Contemporary Art, Seoul
- 1980 29th National Fine Art Exhibition, National Museum of Modern and Contemporary Art, Seoul  
*Leading Painters*, Myeongdong Gallery, Seoul  
Gallery Hyundai, Seoul, Korea  
*Sun Gallery Exhibition*, Sun Gallery, Seoul  
*Snow Scape*, Chunchu Gallery, Seoul  
*Vines*, Bando Gallery, Seoul
- 1979 *Inaugural Exhibition of Lotte Gallery*, Lotte Gallery, Seoul  
*Gallery Association Exhibition*, Seoul  
28th National Fine Art Exhibition, National Museum of Modern and Contemporary Art, Seoul  
*Art of Today*, Korean Culture and Arts Foundation Art Center, Seoul  
*12 Ink Painters*, Organized by Seoul Daily News, Seoul  
*Inaugural Exhibition of Yeh Gallery*, Yeh Gallery, Seoul
- 1978 *20 Years of Contemporary Art of Korea*, National Museum of Modern and Contemporary Art, Seoul  
27th National Fine Art Exhibition, National Museum of Modern and Contemporary Art, Seoul  
*Four Ink Painters*, Johyeong Gallery, Seoul  
*Five Ink Painters*, Sun Gallery, Seoul  
*Inaugural Exhibition of Seoul Gallery*, Seoul  
*Ink Paintings*, Organized by Seoul Daily News, Newspaper Hall Gallery, Seoul  
Gallery Hyundai, Seoul
- 1977 26th National Fine Art Exhibition, National Museum of Modern and Contemporary Art, Seoul  
*Traveling Exhibition of Contemporary Korean Ink Painting*, Kyushu, Japan
- 1976 25th National Fine Art Exhibition, National Museum of Modern and Contemporary Art, Seoul,  
*Grand Exhibition of Korean Ink Painting*, National Museum of Modern and Contemporary Art, Korea
- 1975 *Nude: Contemporary Korean Art*, Areum Gallery, Seoul  
*Masters of Ink Painting*, Growrich Gallery, Seoul  
Gallery Hyundai, Seoul  
24th National Fine Art Exhibition, National Museum of Modern and Contemporary Art, Seoul  
*Asian Art Exhibition*, Tokyo, Japan  
*Six Ink Painters*, Jean Art Gallery, Seoul
- 1974 *Space Gallery Exhibition*, Space Gallery, Seoul  
*Moonheon Gallery Exhibition*, Moonheon Gallery, Seoul  
*Masterpieces of Contemporary Ink Painting*, Shinsegae Gallery, Seoul  
23rd National Fine Art Exhibition, National Museum of Modern and Contemporary Art, Seoul
- 1973 Gallery Hyundai, Seoul  
22nd National Fine Art Exhibition, National Museum of Modern and Contemporary Art, Seoul
- 1972 *Korean Art Association Members' Exhibition*, Art Association Gallery, Seoul  
*Jean Art Gallery Exhibition*, Jean Art Gallery, Seoul  
21st National Fine Art Exhibition, National Museum of Modern and Contemporary Art, Seoul

- 1971 20th National Fine Art Exhibition, National Museum of Modern and Contemporary Art, Seoul  
*Contemporary Korean Art*, The Cite Internationale des Arts, Paris
- 1970 Gallery Hyundai, Seoul  
*Inaugural Exhibition of Myeongdong Gallery*, Myeongdong Gallery, Seoul  
19th National Fine Art Exhibition, National Museum of Modern and Contemporary Art, Seoul  
*Fund-raising Exhibition for Art Union*, National Public Information Center Gallery, Seoul  
*Works of Art Professors*, Seoul National University Museum, Seoul  
*Expo'70: Contemporary Korean Art*, Korean Pavilion at Expo'70, Osaka, Japan  
*Grand Exhibition of Korean Art*, Gyeongbok Palace Museum, Seoul
- 1969 *Works of Art Professors*, Seoul National University Museum, Seoul  
*Korean Art Association Member's Exhibition*, Art Association Gallery, Seoul  
*Exhibition Commemorating the March 1st Independence Movement*, Art Association Gallery, Seoul  
1st International Biennial of Painting, Pistoia, Italy  
*Contemporary Korean Artists*, National Public Information Center Gallery, Seoul  
1st Cannes International Painting Festival, Cannes Art Museum, Cannes, France
- 1968 *Exhibition Commemorating the Opening of the New National Public Information Center*, Seoul  
17th National Fine Art Exhibition, Gyeongbok Palace Museum, Seoul  
*Exhibition Commemorating the March 1st Independence Movement*, Gyeongbok Palace Museum, Seoul
- 1967 16th National Fine Art Exhibition, Gyeongbok Palace Museum, Seoul
- 1966 15th National Fine Art Exhibition, Gyeongbok Palace Museum, Seoul  
*World Freedom of Culture*, National Public Information Center Gallery, Seoul  
*Korean Art Exhibition*, Malaysia Museum, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
- 1965 14th National Fine Art Exhibition, Gyeongbok Palace Museum, Seoul  
*Korean National Art Exhibition*, Dong-A University, Busan
- 1964 *Korean Art Association Member's Exhibition*, National Public Information Center Gallery, Seoul  
13th National Fine Art Exhibition, Gyeongbok Palace Museum, Seoul  
*Exhibition Commemorating the March 1st Independence Movement*, Art Association Gallery, Seoul  
*8th Mungrim Group Exhibition*, National Public Information Center, Seoul
- 1963 7th Biennial de Sao Paulo, Sao Paulo, Brazil  
12th National Fine Art Exhibition, Gyeongbok Palace Museum, Seoul  
*7th Mungrim Group Exhibition*, Dongwha Gallery, Korea
- 1962 11th National Fine Art Exhibition, Gyeongbok Palace Museum, Seoul  
*6th Mungrim Group Exhibition*, National Public Information Center Gallery, Seoul
- 1961 *3rd Mungrim Group Exhibition*, National Public Information Center Gallery, Seoul  
*4th Mungrim Group Exhibition*, National Public Information Center Gallery, Seoul  
*5th Mungrim Group Exhibition*, National Public Information Center Gallery, Seoul
- 1960 *Inaugural Exhibition of Mungrim Group*, National Public Information Center Gallery, Seoul  
*2nd Mungrim Group Exhibition*, National Public Information Center Gallery, Seoul
- 1957 *Inaugural Exhibition of National Public Information Center*, Seoul  
*Divine Images*, Myeongdong Catholic Church, Seoul
- 1956 *Inaugural Exhibition of Korean Artists Association*, Whimoon High School Auditorium, Seoul
- 1954 *Exhibition Commemorating the Holy Mother's Coming-of Age*, Midopa Gallery, Seoul
- 1953 2nd National Fine Art Exhibition, Gyeongbok Palace Museum, Seoul  
*Korean War Veteran Painters*, International Club, Busan
- 1952 *Exhibition Commemorating the March 1st Independence Movement*, Busan

- 1951 *Korean War Veteran Painters*, Daegu
- 1950 *Founding Members of Korean Art Association*, Gyeongbuk Palace Museum, Seoul

## SELECTED HONORS

- 2012 Order of Cultural Merit— Silver
- 2007 The 52nd National Academy of Arts Award  
4th Lee Dong-hun Award
- 1999 The Artistic and Culture Prize of 13th Federation of Artistic and Culture
- 1997 Ilmin Art Prize
- 1994 Seoul Cultural Prize
- 1993 Order of Civil Merit—Pomegranate medal
- 1988 Honorary Doctorate, Rhode Island School of Design Fine Art, Rhode Island, USA
- 1949 1st National Fine Art Exhibition— Prime Minister Prize

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- Hanyang University Museum, Seoul, Korea
- Ho-Am Museum, Yongin, Korea
- Korea University Museum, Seoul, Korea
- National Museum of Modern and Contemporary Art, Seoul, Korea
- Seoul National University Museum, Seoul, Korea
- Sonje Museum of Contemporary Art (Wooyang Museum of Contemporary Art), Gyeongju, Korea
- Yonsei University Museum, Seoul, Korea
- Bergen Museum of Art and Science, Paramus, USA
- British Museum, London, England
- Fukuoka Art Museum, Fukuoka, Japan
- Ministry of Culture, Paris, France
- Rhode Island School of Design Museum, Providence, USA
- USC Pacific Asia Museum, Pasadena, USA