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Was born and raised in China. Granted a U.S. Permanent residency visa under the “Alien of Extraordinary Abilities” category, 1999 in China at the age 45.

EDUCATION

Master of Fine Arts, Kendall College of Art and Design, Grand Rapids, MI (KCAD)	2008
Graduate Courses, Studio Art Centers International, Florence, Italy	2007
Master of Arts, University of Indianapolis, Indianapolis, IN (U of I)	2006
Graduate Level Certificate in Photography Research, Chinese People’s University, China	1993
Certificate in Photography, Photography Correspondence College, China	1987
Bachelor of Graphic Design, Hunan Province Art and Craft College, China	1986

TEACHING APPOINTMENTS & PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

Associate Professor, Paducah School of Art and Design, WKCTC (Retired in 2016)	2008 – 2016
Adjunct Instructor and Graduate Teaching Assistant, KCAD	2007 – 2008
Adjunct Instructor, Herron School of Art and Design, Indianapolis, IN (Herron)	2001 – 2006
Director, Painting and Photography Department in Longgang, China	1995 – 1999
Executive Editor, Longgang Newspaper, Longgang, China	1993 – 1995

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

GA AAPIs Leadership Council	2020 - Present
Educational Consultant, Guanmei International School, Dongguang, China	2010 – Present
Member, International Art Education Association (InAEA)	2013 – Present
Member, Foundations in Art: Theory & Education	2007 – Present
Member, Portrait Society of America	2009 – 2013
Member, College Art Association	2007 – 2013

AWARDS / HONORS / GRANTS

Global International Alliance Advocates for National Community Service, Atlanta, GA	2018
Kentucky Foundation for Women, 2016 Artist Enrichment Grant	2016
2016 Duchess of Paducah, KY	2016
WKCTC, Teacher of the Year Division Winner	2015
Paducah city awarded a peace land in artists district for build <i>BiLan Liao Gallery</i>	2010
Honorary Professor, Hunan Arts and Crafts Vocational College, China	2009
1 st Prize, <i>Juried exhibition</i> , Clemens Fine Art Center, Paducah, KY	2008
Blue Heron Academy Award, <i>Juried Arts Exhibition</i> , Grand Rapids Art Museum, MI	2007
Award: Merit Scholarship Recipient, KCAD	2006
Provost Award for Outstanding Graduate Work, U of I	2005 – 2006
Herron’s 2003 Outstanding Associate Faculty Award	2003
<i>Who’s Who in China in Scientific Chinese - Talent Bank of Chinese Experts</i>	1999

PUBLICATIONS / BIBLIOGRAPHY

2 nd Edition <i>Diary of the Dragon's Daughter</i> , GFIP, LLC	2019
<i>Diary of the Dragon's Daughter</i> , GFIP, LLC	2016
<i>Studio Visit</i> - volume twenty-nine, page 102	2015
<i>Madrid Journal of Contemporary Literature</i> . winter 2014 Issue, page 84 to 95	2014
<i>International Contemporary Artists</i> , page 147	2012
<i>Lion Dance in Long Gang District-Selections of Excellent Photography Works</i> , China	1999
<i>Third International Lion-Dance Competition, Government of Longgang</i> , China	1999
<i>Selections of Photography and Painting by BiLan Liao</i> , Sichuan Publishing House, China	1998

INTERVIEWS

- ABC Nightline, <https://abcnews.go.com/Nightline/video/georgias-changing-political-landscape-power-us-senate-74186170>, 2020
- AJC Atlanta News, <https://www.ajc.com/news/atlanta-news/activists-work-to-mobilize-metro-atlantas-asian-american-voters/K2WEAUD23RFJHN6Y7HUTDXQWVU/>, 2020
- BBC News, <https://www.bbc.com/zhongwen/simp/world-55315742>, 2020
- ZORO, <https://zora.medium.com/im-a-chinese-immigrant-here-s-why-i-m-voting-for-joe-biden-f4foed3a8bd4>, 2020
- Morning Blend (ABC), <http://www.ktnv.com/morningblend/diary-of-the-dragons-daughter-2-22-19> Atlanta Channel 57, air on December 25, 2018
- Women of Wealth magazine, page 40 to 41, April section, 2018
- PaducahSun, front page, August 26, 2017
- Paducah Chanel 6, <http://www.wpsdlocal6.com/story/31272397/from-canvas-to-book-bilan-liaos-story> PBS, <https://www.pbs.org/video/wsiu-expressions-bilan-liao/>, 2015
- National Public Radio – WKMS, November 15, 2013
- Artist Looks at History Through ‘Broken Window,’ PaducahSun, page 1C, Current section, Thursday, November 14, 2013
- Article by Laurel Black *Faculty show displays lighter side*, PaducahSun, page 3A, Local section, Sunday, August 26, 2012
- Article *Strokes of Culture – An ancient art signifies the importance of culture*, PaducahSun newspaper, page 2, Life section, Sunday, March 12, 2012
- Article *Lower Town Hosts WKCTC’s Chinese New Year at BiLan Liao Gallery*, PaducahSun newspaper, page 2A, Local section, Sunday, January 22, 2012
- Paducah Local Chanel 6, *Dragon Dance*, 2012
- Gallery exhibits the story of BiLan Liao in Art*, PaducahSun, page 2A, Local section, Sunday, August 21, 2011
- Article by Jessica Perkins, *Chinese Paintings Not for Sale*, Paducah Life Magazine, April 2011
- Article by Adam Shull, PaducahSun, page 12, Entertainment section, Saturday, April 17, 2010
- Article by Eddie Grant, *BiLan Life in China*, Paducah iSurfPaducah magazine, Paducah, KY, 5C; Entertainment, Wednesday, January 13, 2010
- Paducah Channel 2, Interviewed by Craig Berry, aired on August 28, 2009.
- Paducah Channel 2, Interviewed by Tammy Thompson, aired in March 2009
- Comcast Channel 28, Filmed by Grand Rapids Community College TV Channel HETA, BiLan’s *presentation on fresco Painting*, aired on Comcast Channel 28, Special Programming, MI, 2008

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

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| International Woman Day, Agnes Scott College, Atlanta, GA | 2020 |
| Drepung Loseling Monastery, Atlanta, GA | 2019 |
| Immigrants Day, Atlanta City Hall, Atlanta, GA | 2019 |
| Gwinnett of Commerce “Masquerade of Gala,” Tech Park, Atlanta, GA | 2018 |
| Paducah Movie Theater, Paducah, KY | 2014 |
| Paducah City Hall, Paducah, KY | 2013 |
| Clemens Fine Art Center, Paducah, KY | 2011 |
| Yeiser Art Center, Paducah, KY | 2009 |
| Clemens Fine Art Center, Paducah, KY | 2009 |
| Kendall College of Art and Design, Grand Rapids, MI | 2008 |
| First United Methodist Church Gallery, Grand Rapids, MI | 2007 |
| University of Indianapolis, Christel Dehaan Fine Arts Center, Indianapolis, IN | 2006 |
| Indiana University, East Whitewater Galley, Richmond, IN | 2005 |
| Indiana University Purdue University, Columbus North Wing Gallery, Columbus, IN | 2005 |
| Indianapolis Arts garden, Indianapolis, IN | 2005 |
| First Meridian Heights Presbyterian Church Gallery, Indianapolis, IN | 2003 |

JURIED EXHIBITIONS

Fine Arts Center of Hot Spring, Hot Spring, AR	2012
Cornerstone Art and Events Gallery, Frankfort, KY	2011
Associated Artists of Winston-Salem, Winston-Salem, NC	2011
Capitol Rotunda, Frankfort, KY	2011
Mad Art Gallery, St. Louis, MO	2011
Woman Made Gallery, Chicago, IL	2008
Muskegon Museum of Art, Muskegon, MI	2007
Grand Rapids Art Museum, Grand Rapids, MI	2007
Kendall College of Art and Design Gallery, Grand Rapids, MI	2007
Indiana University Kokomo Gallery, Kokomo, IN	2005
Indianapolis Museum of Contemporary Art, Indianapolis, IN	2005
Fort Wayne Museum of Art, Fort Wayne, IN	2005
Indiana State Museum, Indianapolis, IN	2004
Bona Thompson Memorial Center, Indianapolis, IN	2003
Swope Art Museum, Terre Haute, IN	2003
Wells Memorial Center, Lafayette, IN	2000

GROUP EXHIBITIONS

<i>Abernathy Art Center, Atlanta, GA</i>	2020
<i>Paducah School of Art Gallery, Paducah, KY</i>	2017
<i>Inspiration, Foundation in Art, Theory and Education, Monmouth College, Monmouth, IL</i>	2016
<i>National Painting and Drawing Invitational figurative, Clemens Fine Art Center, KY</i>	2014
Yeiser Fine Art Center, Paducah, KY	2013
Lexington Convention Center, Lexington, KY	2011
Kentucky International Convention Center, Louisville, KY	2010
Gallery 109 & Fairbanks Studio, Murray, KY	2010
Co-op Gallery in Lower Town, Paducah, KY	2009
Annual Faculty Show, Paducah School of Art & Design Gallery, Paducah, KY	2008
Annual Faculty Show, Clemens Fine Art Center, Paducah, KY	2009, 2010, 2011, 2012
Annual Faculty Show, Paducah School of Art & Design Gallery, Paducah, KY	2014, 2015 and 2016
Kendall College of Art and Design, Grand Rapids, MI	2008
Annual Faculty Show, Indianapolis Art Center Gallery, Indianapolis, IN	2005

PRESENTATIONS & BOOK-SIGNING

Summerour Middle School, Norcross, GA	2019
Masquerade Gala, 2nd annual celebration of Chamber, Southwest Gwinnett of Commerce, GA	2018
Honoring Champions of Community Service & Humanitarian Celebration, Atlanta GA	2018
Cherokee Arts Center theatre, Canton, GA	2018
Canton Theatre, Canton, GA	2017
Xian Normal University, Xian, China	2016
Kentucky of the American Association for Women conference, Lexington, KY	2016
West Kentucky Community & Technical College, Library, Paducah, KY	2016
Shawnee Community College, Ullin, IL	2016
Paducah Carson Center, Paducah, KY	2016
Foundation in Art: Theory and Education National conference, Indianapolis, IN,	2015
Southeast Missouri State University, Cape Girardeau, MO	2015
34th World Congress, Melbourne, Australia	2014
Murray State University, Murray, KY	2013
Paducah McCracken County Public Library, Paducah, KY	2011
Honored to speak at the Celebration of the Hunan Arts and Crafts Vocational College	2010
