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Xu Xi (1940-2015) was born in Shaoxing, Zhejiang province. He was a member of the Chinese Artists Association and first class painter at the People's Art Press. From 1956 to 1965, he studied at Zhejiang Academy of Fine Arts. After graduation, he became an art editor for the Beijing Art Press. Later he was transferred to the creative workshop of the Press as a professional painter. He has worked on charcoal sketching, caricatures and prints and is best known for his ink-and-wash landscape paintings. His works always leave an impression on the viewers with distinctive refreshing quality and depict a sense of time, place and life. He is especially good at capturing the natural beauty of South China scenery with simple brush-strokes. He live for several years in the United States and his painting subjects extend to drawing scenery all over the world. His paintings have been displayed in Hong Kong, Taiwan, Singapore, Japan, the U.S. and Austria, and have been awarded prizes at several international painting exhibitions.

XU XI CHRONOLOGY

- 1940 Born in Chengdu, China
- 1965 Graduated from the Zhejiang Academy of Fine Arts
Employed as art director at the People's Fine Arts Publishing House, Beijing
- 1978 Became professional artist
- 1981 Awarded first prize in competition for the album Wonderful Asia
Selected Paintings of Xu Xi published by the Artist's Publishing Houes in Hong Kong
- 1982 Awarded grand prize at the Eighth International Exhibition of Paintings
- 1984 Xu Xi: Selected Paintings published by the People's Fine Arts Publishing House in Beijing
- 1985 Awarded third prize at the World Fair in Japan
Held solo exhibition at Seibu Gallery in Tokyo
Held solo exhibition at Pok Art Gallery in Hong Kong
- 1986 Toured eight European countries
Held solo exhibition at the UN Headquarters in Vienna
Held solo exhibition at Oriental Gallery in New York
- 1987 Held solo exhibition at Queens College's Art Centre and Overseas Chinese TV Centre in New York
Held solo exhibition in Tokyo, Japan
- 1988 Held solo exhibition at Chinese National Gallery in Beijing
Participated in the 19th Art Fair in Basel, Switzerland
Toured seventeen countries in Europe and Asia
- 1989 Paintings by Xu Xi published by the Celebrity Gallery in Kaohsiung, Taiwan
- 1993 Awarded 'Man of the Year' by the Board of International Research of the American Biographical Institute in U.S.A.
- 1994 Appointed Advisor to the Board of International Research of the American Biographical Institute
Awarded the 'Twentieth Century Award of Achievement' by the International Biographical Centre, Cambridge, England
Awarded 'Most Admired Artist of the Decade' and 'Who's Who at the Summit Award' by the American Biographical Institute
- 1997 Awarded golden prize in International Sketch Competition in Sweden



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- 1998 Held solo exhibition in Taipei and Xinzhu, Taiwan
Awarded silver prize at the International Miniature Competition in Sweden
- 1999 Participated in group exhibition at the Chinese National Gallery in Beijing
- 2000 Held solo exhibition at Kwai Fung Hin Art Gallery in Hong Kong
Held solo exhibition at China 2000 Fine Art in New York
University Museum and Art Gallery of Hong Kong University published "Paintings by Xu Xi"