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Bazaar People: 22 Questions to Ziping Wang

The Chinese artist talks about himself at Harper's Bazaar.

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Ziping Wang a Chinese artist with a long journey ahead of her. She graduated from the Rhode Island School of Design and from Pratt Institute with a master's degree. She has exhibited in some important galleries in the world, such as the Saatchi Gallery in London. How do you explain your art? "As a painter, I'm interested in the elusive nature of modified reality. I use my paintings to document these changes," she said. At Harper's Bazaar she told what she loves, her inspirations, what she will never forget.

Describe yourself in three words:

Attentive, introverted, aware.

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What does elegance mean to you?

Being able to remain calm and confident in any situation.

What you were like in high school:

A rebellious overachiever. I deliberately didn't follow the rules of the school, but I studied very hard to always be among the best students.

What are your main sources of inspiration?

The mundanity of everyday life, advertising, childhood memories.

Your favourite colour to wear:

Mint green and white.

Tell us your favourite place to have a drink:

Neverland B-one bar in Shenyang. A very hidden speakeasy bar in my hometown.

Your favourite shop:

Kinokuniya bookstore.

A romantic location for a date:

I think Hirohisa is a great place for a romantic date in New York City. Being a Japanese omakase restaurant, it has a really intimate atmosphere, a great sake selection and selection of sake and offers a varied seasonal menu.

An exhibition you'd like to see?

Luc Tuymans' exhibition at Palazzo Grassi in Venice.

Recommend a book to us:

A grain of sand that fell from the sky - diary of the Sahara, by Samao.

Your favourite perfume:

M/Mink by Breydo.

Your favourite season:

I like winter because in my culture it is the most holiday time, so I spend time with family members and don't worry about things in general.

The three things you look for when choosing the perfect hotel:

Location, design and privacy.

What is one of your favourite trips and why?

My favourite trip was with two of my friends in college. We went to Iceland during the freezing winter. Everything was extremely quiet and the world it was fascinating.

Your favourite summer restaurant:

Jeju Noodle bar in New York City.

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An Instagram page you're currently obsessed with?

@Artorious007 an excellent account that supports young artists and collectors, gives good advice.

Name one thing you wish you knew how to do:

I would like to know about maths and everything to do with numbers.

What is your biggest inspiration when it comes to interiors and design:

Joseph Albers.

A house you love that isn't yours:

Technically not a house, but I love the Teshima Art Museum on the island of Naoshima, Japan. Naoshima, Japan, designed by architect Ryue Nishizawa.

Nominate a young artist, singer and photographer you are currently following:

Katelyn Ledford, Mitski, Luo Yang.

Advice you wish you'd listened to:

"Don't worry too much about what other people think of you" (I'm still slowly slowly working on it).