YAJIE HU

JEWELLERY ARTIST

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Yajie Hu is a jewellery artist from China, currently based in the UK, where she is pursuing a PhD. She has ten years of professional experience in contemporary jewellery, with her work internationally recognised and exhibited in countries including the UK, US, China, Germany, Italy, France, Portugal, Poland, Greece, Turkey, Romania, Sweden, and Belgium. Notable exhibitions include "TALENTE 2018" (Munich Jewellery Week), New York Jewelry Week (2018, 2021, 2022), and Florence Jewellery Week 2022, contributing to the global dialogue on contemporary jewellery. She has received several international awards, including the "Preziosa Young" 2019 Contemporary Jewellery Competition in Florence, the "Porto Joia Award" at Collectiva Meeting 2019 in Porto, and was a finalist in the 10th edition of the "Arte y Joya" International Award in Barcelona. Her work is featured in "Chinese Contemporary Jewelry Design" by Dr Bifei Cao.

Education

Loughborough University, United Kingdom October 2021 – Present PhD in Design and Creative Arts

Le Arti Orafe Jewellery School, Italy October 2019 – July 2021 Jewellery Making and Hand Engraving

Birmingham City University, United Kingdom September 2016 – September 2017 MA in Jewellery, Silversmithing and Related Products

Anhui Normal University, China September 2012 – July 2016 BA in Art and Design

Honours & Awards

- Winner of Creative Research Gallery (People's Choice Award), Summer Showcase 2024,
 Loughborough, United Kingdom
- 10th Edition Arte y Joya International Award Finalist (2020 2021), Barcelona, Spain
- Winner of the Preziosa Young Contemporary Jewellery 2019, Florence, Italy
- Porto Joia Award Collectiva Meeting International Exhibition 2019, Porto, Portugal

Selected Exhibitions

Upcoming 2025/2026

- Shenzhen Jewellery Museum, Shenzhen, Guangdong, China (November 2025)
- Guangxi Arts University, Nanning, Guangxi, China (March 2026)
- Yunnan Ethnic Museum, Kunming, Yunnan, China (April 2026)
- "Art Is #2", CICA Museum, Gimpo, South Korea (11 February-1 March 2026)
- "More Than Just Sustainability" (Solo exhibition), Charnwood Arts, Loughborough, United Kingdom (April-May 2026)

2025

- "AGCpunto25", Gabinetto di Lettura, Piazza dell'Insurrenzione, 4 Padua, Italy
- "Harmony in Light" Beijing International Jewellery Art Exhibition 2025, Central Hall, 1st
 Floor, Beijing Fengke Wanda Plaza, Beijing, China
- "AGCpunto25", Archivio Negroni, Via Filippo Tajani, 3, 20133 Milano, Italy
- "For the Love of Jewellery" Transylvania Jewelry Festival, Parter Gallery, Str. Iuliu Maniu, Cluj-Napoca, Romania
- "Turning Point" Gdańsk Jewellery Week 2025, AMBERIF International Fair of Amber and Jewellery, AMBEREXPO, Żaglowa 11, Gdańsk, Poland
- Co-Create Gallery Pint of Science, Esquires 32 High Street, Loughborough, United Kingdom

2024

- "Contemporary Jewellery: Exploring Its Impact on Well-Being" (Solo exhibition), Martin Hall Gallery, Loughborough, United Kingdom
- Sock Gallery Open Exhibition 2024, Sock Gallery, Loughborough Town Hall, Loughborough, United Kingdom
- Creative Research Gallery, Loughborough Summer Showcase 2024, James France, Loughborough, United Kingdom
- "Is Jewellery Making Research?", Martin Hall Gallery, Loughborough, United Kingdom

2023

- "Pop-up Jewellery", Martin Hall Gallery, Loughborough, United Kingdom
- "Extreme Making", Reid Gallery, Glasgow School of Art, Glasgow, United Kingdom

2022

- "Asia Mon Amour" New York Jewelry Week 2022, 72 Warren Street, New York City, United States
- "Jewellery for Life", Design School, Loughborough, United Kingdom
- Jewellery & Art Pop-up Sale, 311, Yorkshire Artspace Exchange Place Studios, Sheffield,
 United Kingdom
- "Declaration of Sentiments", Universus Gallery, Athens, Greece

- "Research Through Jewellery" Florence Jewellery Week 2022, Le Arti Orafe, Florence, Italy
- "Declaration of Sentiments", The Platina Gallery, Stockholm, Sweden

2021

- "Declaration of Sentiments", Arthan Gallery, Istanbul, Turkey
- "Artistry-RE-Imagined, Spotlight on the East", New York Jewelry Week 2021, 72 Warren Street, New York City, United States

2020

- "Declaration of Sentiments", Galerie Pont en Plas, Ghent, Belgium
- "BOOM BOOM GEM", Schmuck Gallerie Hannah Rembeck, Regensburg, Germany
- "Flying Blind +" Pop-up Gallery Exhibition: Brave New Field, The Bund Finance Centre, Shanghai, China
- "Design Shanghai", Xin Tian Di Design Festival, Shanghai, China
- "Voyagers", Mineralogische Staatssammlung München, Museum Reich der Kristalle, Munich Jewellery Week 2020, Munich, Germany
- "Declaration of Sentiments", Munich Jewellery Week 2020, Ligsalzstraße 12, Munich, Germany
- Preziosa Young Contemporary Jewellery 2019, Belfi Gallery, Milan, Italy

2019

- Charon Kransen Arts The Sculpture Objects Functional Art and Design (SOFA) Fair 2019,
 Navy Pier, Chicago, United States
- Preziosa Young Contemporary Jewellery 2019, San Rocco Oratory, Padua, Italy
- Porto Joia Feira Internacional de Joalharia, Ourivesaria e Relojoaria, Porto, Portugal
- Collectiva Meeting International Exhibition 2019, Rua Miguel Bombarda 285, Porto, Portugal
- Preziosa Young Contemporary Jewellery 2019, Gallery LA Joaillerie par Mazlo, Paris, France
- Preziosa Young Contemporary Jewellery 2019, Cartavetra Gallery, Florence, Italy
- Preziosa Young 2019, Artigianato e Palazzo, Florence, Italy
- Preziosa Young Contemporary Jewellery 2019, Oro Arezzo, Arezzo, Italy
- Charon Kransen Arts, The Palm Beach Art Jewelry and Antique Fair 2019, Florida, United
 States
- Inhorgenta Munich 2019, Messe München, Munich, Germany

2018

- "From Afar" New York Jewelry Week 2018, 4 West 29th Street, New York, United States
- Charon Kransen Arts The Sculpture Objects Functional Art and Design (SOFA) Fair 2018,
 Navy Pier, Chicago, United States
- "Polyphonous: Counter Point" Munich Jewellery Week 2018, McArthur and McArthur Studios, Schwanthalerstr 184, Munich, Germany
- TALENTE 2018, Internationalen Handwerksmesse München, Munich Jewellery Week 2018, Munich, Germany

2017

- "Informed Chaos", School of Art, Birmingham, United Kingdom
- Group Exhibition (Post-Residency) inspired by the "Painlevé Exhibition", Ikon Gallery,
 Birmingham, United Kingdom

2014

• Wuhu Youth Art Exhibition, Wuhu, Anhui, China

Features

- Catalogue: 10th Edition Arte y Joya Contemporary Jewellery Yearbook. Arte y Joya: Barcelona, 2020
- Book: Chinese Contemporary Jewelry Design. Bifei, Cao. Schiffer Publishing Ltd: United States, 2020
- Catalogue: Collectiva Meeting International Exhibition 2019. Collectiva Joalharia de Autor: Porto, 2019
- Catalogue: Preziosa Young 2019 Contemporary Jewellery. Le Arti Orafe: Florence, 2019
- Catalogue: TALENTE 2018. Sonderschau der 70. Internationalen Handwerksmesse München: Munich, 2018, P89

Press & Media

- "Colour is More Than Just a Language of Form in Yajie Hu's Work", by Zhipeng Wang, Klimt02, 31 July 2025
- "<u>胡雅洁《我的情绪》: 当代首饰中的情感表达与心理共鸣</u>", by Bifei Cao [in Chinese], Artron.Net,
 28 July 2025
- "What If Our Waste Had to Be Worn Before It Could Be Thrown Away? Yajie Hu in Conversation with Rachael Colley", Klimt02, 01 July 2025
- "<u>首饰即艺术一胡雅洁的当代首饰艺术探索</u>", by Chong Shi [in Chinese], Art China, 11 June 2025
- "Karaköy'de 20 kadından küresel tasarım eylemi", by Evrim Altuğ [in Turkish], Gazete Duvar, 19 December 2021
- "<u>Technology definitely helps me a lot during the making process</u>", Yajie Hu interviewed by Klimt02, 17 June 2020
- "Cos'è un gioiello? Il punto di vista di tre designers contemporanei" [in Italian], interviewed by Elisabetta Guida, il principe azzurro esiste, 10 October 2019
- "I therefore not only investigate its visual qualities but also explore it as a usable material",
 Yajie Hu interviewed by Klimt02, 6 June 2019