

**SHAWN XIAO**

BIO

**Shawn Xiao** (b.1996, Chengdu, China) is a multimedia visual artist. His practice mainly focuses on painting, sculpture, and wearable art. He was born and raised in Chengdu, China, where he began with Chinese ink painting and oil painting. In 2020 he graduated from the Massachusetts College of Art and Design in Boston with a BFA in Fashion Design. Currently, he is studying for his MFA in Fine Art at the School of Visual Arts in New York City. Shawn roots his work in social commentary and self-examination. His current work combines figure painting and sculpture. Through this medium he seeks to challenge the boundaries of figurative painting imposed by the surface layer of the canvas. He creates different human-like characters in an exploration of the depth of lost memories and dreams.

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CV

**EDUCATION**

2024 *Master of Fine Arts in Fine Arts*, School of Visual Arts, New York, NY

2020 *Bachelor of Fine Arts in Fashion Design*, Massachusetts College of Art and Design, Boston, MA

**EXHIBITIONS**

2019 *Fashion Group International Board Showcase*, Boston, MA

*Seed Challenge Fashion Show*, StyleWeek NorthEast, Providence, RI

*Reinvention and Renewal*, DMI Design Leadership Conference, Boston, MA

Tailored Alpaca Coat Display, Riccardi, Boston, MA

*LUCID: 2019 MASSART FASHION SHOW*, Atrium & Pozen Theatre, Boston, MA

2017 Non-Textile Design, Copley Place & Boston Children's Museum, Boston, MA

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