



# Tan Ping

## Body of Abstraction

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Tan Ping came to Berlin in 1989 to study at the University of the Arts (UDK) and shortly afterwards witnessed the fall of the Berlin Wall. China's opening to the Western World since 1985 has created new opportunities for a variety of bilateral relationships.

Tan Ping consistently developed an abstract formal language that was significantly influenced by the Western art of Abstract Expressionism, Art Informel, Minimal and Conceptual Art. He uniquely combines these influences with his Chinese cultural roots, which stem from calligraphy and ink painting.

As early as 1993, he created a conceptual approach with his 'Time' installation, in which he intertwined space, movement and time. Since then, he has continuously explored these factors and at the same time questioned his own self. Thirty years after completing his studies in Germany, this book offers a compendium of his research and artistic processes.

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