

20 Chinese Architects...

...who happen to be women!!

A new book: "New Chinese Architecture: Twenty Women Building the Future" (Thames and Hudson) will be published in March 2019 and will be launched in Shanghai on 30 March.

EXHIBITION OPENING & BOOK LAUNCH:

Saturday, 31 March 2019 at 6pm

TONG MING STUDIO

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This is the first book of its kind detailing the lives, achievements and ambitions of 20 successful, influential **WOMEN** architects living and working in China today.

The featured women designers are emerging talents: twenty female Chinese architects who are the founders or directors of their practices and are involved in delivering important, high-level construction projects.

These are architects of considerable influence that are producing important and challenging work that is altering the Chinese skyline but also transforming social reality on the ground. The exhibition is curated by young architectural designers, **Wei Kuang** and **Dai Yiqing**.

Zhang Xin, Co-founder and CEO SOHO China, says:

"China's women architects have proven themselves to be talented, confident, hard-working and successful. These are new, young female designers stepping onto the world stage. Their work is innovative and challenging. Whether traditional or contemporary, small or large scale, old or young, academic or practitioner, their projects show China to be a place of real creative possibilities."

Curators **Wei Kuang** and **Dai Yiqing** (now, a researcher and final year undergraduate respectively at the Department of Architecture, XJTU university, Suzhou) say:

"Researching this book and interviewing the architects has been a long but fascinating process. There are so many varied stories and so much inspiration from history through to the present day."

Managing Editor, **Austin Williams** says:

"A book entitled '20 Chinese Architects' that featured only men might not be unusual and we want these 20 architects' work to be remarkable solely on the merits of their designs."

The exhibition and book launch will be on Saturday 30 March at 6pm & the exhibition continues until April 6th. There will be debates, lectures and parties across the week.

EXHIBITION VENUE: TONG MING STUDIO [<https://www.tm-studio.cn/>]

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NOTES FOR EDITORS:

1. This book is published by Thames and Hudson in London and New York.
See: <https://www.amazon.co.uk/New-Chinese-Architecture-Twenty-Building/dp/0500343381>.

2. Zaha Hadid had agreed to write the Foreword to this book but sadly died mid-way through the project. The book is dedicated to her and the team of all female researchers.

3. The architects included in the book are:

Di Shaohua	Qi Shanshan	Lu Wenyu	Dong Mei	Wei Na
Fan Beilei	Wang Youfen	Zhang Xuefeng	Zhang Jinqiu	Jiang Ying
Hu Rushan	Tang Yu'en	Wang Wei	Zhang Di	Zhao Zhao
Liu Heng	Du Juan	Ding Wowo	Peng Lele	Ye Mi

4. The Editorial team was an all-female group of architecture students - based at XJTLU university in Suzhou - who worked on this project for almost two years.

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Dai Yiqing, Kuang Wei

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Managing Editor:

Austin Williams, Kingston School of Art, London; author, *China's Urban Revolution*

5. The exhibition and book are primarily dedicated to the efforts by a team of 15 young female architecture graduates from XJTLU in Suzhou.

6. Sponsored by XJTLU, Future Cities Project, University of Liverpool, The Architectural Review, Urban Network Office, Tong Ming Studio.

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