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Etching

Soft ground etching, lithograph and relief print on STPI handmade paper, 107,3 x 81,3 cm
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Be Entrenched

The relationship between Nanjing and Beijing is similar to that between China and the world. As beautiful and prosperous as Hangzhou is, Nanjing is not as depressing as it. It has never distanced itself from the core of political competition. But frustration leads the city to be shaped as a failed temple, like a turtle-based monument without the stone tablet. Vines are climbing all over the trellis, but they are hampered by the trellis as well. The whole plant seems larger than it is supposed to be. A tall tree invites the wind.

Safe Corner

Comparison between Nanjing and Hangzhou : history shows that most dynasties that aimed Nanjing as its capital eventually ended up subverted. But why does the founding of the capital in Hangzhou enable the retention of sovereignty over a part of the country? Is it because the Yangtze River is the longest and largest river in China ? Or is this because geographically speaking, the region is the den of the tiger and dragon?

People who were content with their confined paradise idled around their "island of heaven" consisting of rockwork and zigzag bridges, with gourds in hand. The gourd helped Emperor Jianwen disappear in the world. However, the gourd floating in the sea was somewhat of a time bomb. There were all kinds of ships in the sea, each with a specific name. May Flower came quite early. Hello, Captain Cook. Columbus 's St. Marea, did you come, too? Bismarck was really huge. And there were also Kitty Hawk Aircraft Carrier and Yoshino of Japanese...

Break the Ice

In the city which has gone through horrendous massacres repetitively, ice is coagulated by blood. How can we break the ice?

The study of the principle of icebreaking boats inspires us that ice is broken by the actions of crashing and crunching instead of high temperature.

A piece of virtual news: Nanjing citizens welcome the Japanese Prime Minister to pay homage to the Memorial Hall of The Victims in Nanjing Massacre by Japanese Invaders.

Cloven Land

The cracked soil consists of two images. One is a distortion of bamboo. Chicken coop, bamboo chair, pencil vase, shoulder pole, ladder and mill wheel are woven together through a long piece of bamboo mat. There is only one bamboo suitcase which is not woven together with the bamboo mat and can be easily taken away. The other image is of a cluster of bamboo that is uprooted. A chair and a ladder are bent and the soil is cracked by the bamboos. The channel is a kind of cracked soil. Sun Yat-sen Mausoleum and Office of the President connect the glorious past of old capital Nanjing with Taiwan .
"Brother Lian, are you back?"