

# WANG GUANGYI GREAT CRITICISM

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## PREFACE

A n exhibition for Wang Guangyi in Dubai holds a two-fold significance. First, that the greats of contemporary Chinese art are being celebrated and interpreted within different regional contexts, with this exhibition marking the first solo presentation of Guangyi's works in the United Arab Emirates. Second, that the artist's East versus West, past versus present, political versus commercial ingenuity displayed within the historical and futuristic alchemy of Dubai continues to highlight the contemporary polemics of globalisation so present in his works.

One of the most recognizable figures in the contemporary art arena, Wang Guangyi is globally renowned for his biting blend of antithetical elements. By juxtaposing revolutionary images with consumer logos, the artist's cold-war kitsch aesthetic becomes an unmistakable commentary on the narratives of political, economic and social policies. Coupling the aesthetics of Chinese propaganda with prevalent status symbols and commercial brands in the West, Guangyi's work becomes an ideological blur of criticism on a global scale – all of us implicated, all of us victims.

It is with great enthusiasm that we welcome this illustrious artist to Dubai for this exciting exhibition. Dually affected by both Chinese and Western influences – from his experiences in Maoist China to his penchant for Nietzsche and Jack London novels – we are eager to present Guangyi's thought-provoking works to a new public.

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# WANG GUANGYI'S GREAT CRITICISM SERIES



Wang Guangyi and Henry Périer, May 24<sup>th</sup>, 2014, Beijing

ang Guangyi was nine years old when the terrifying Cultural Revolution broke out in China. A silence heavy with dread fell upon the country; the existential rhythm of the citizens during those years was one of fear. The decade of torments and suffering marked the Chinese people profoundly. From that period, the destiny of Wang Guangyi, for whom the impact of the Cultural Revolution

was immense, is closely linked to the convulsions of history. The young man decided that he would be an artist. At the age of fourteen, he painted landscapes on materials salvaged from rubbish tips. His models, as for so many others, were the pre-Soviet artists and the Impressionists. The inspiration for his new-found energy was Martin Eden, the hero of Jack London. A member of the generation marked by the red-hot iron of propaganda, he would make of it the compost for his art.

But the artist-in-the-making also felt himself to be entrusted with a mission: bring the art of his country to play a part in the international concert, and thus to add his stone to the edifice in the most emphatic way possible. Still very young but with a burning ambition, he was at ease in the spotlight, and his name would very shortly become part of the history of contemporary Chinese art. In 1972, he took the drawing course at the Cultural Palace in Harbin, his birthplace. Two years later, he was sent to the country for three years; the experience changed his vision of the world. In 1977, the universities opened their doors once again. After four attempts, he was finally admitted to the Academy of Art in Zhejiang, South of Shanghai, in the department of oil painting.

It was for him not only a change of climate, but also of culture, for news and information began filtering in from the West. It was a time of great debates with comrades, not without consequence for his artistic evolution, even if he admitted later that he had not really understood all those philosophical matters whose mysteries he nevertheless hoped to penetrate. But it was at this time that he became conscious of the relation between art and society; more than that, he realized that it might be possible to change life through art. A radical artist, in both the form and the content of his work, he was making his mark also as a theorist and an organizer of events. He would interpret famous icons of the history of art, notably in his parodies of the *Pietà* of Michelangelo and *The Death of Marat* of David. He even studied Western philosophy in order to formulate a doctrine for contemporary China.

With his diploma in his pocket, he returned in 1984 to his native city to take up a post of professor at the Institute of Architecture. It was at this time that, inspired by a powerful spirit of competition, that he became the leader of the Northern Art Group, a movement that united visual artists, writers and philosophers. He went so far as to organize an event that he did not hesitate to call, somewhat grandiloquently, a *Biennale!* He persuaded the television station in Changchun, a town situated near the North Korean border, to take part and to cover the event. A first moment of glory. It was also at this time that the first art reviews were published, thanks to the initiative of the critics Li Xianting and Gao Minglu. Such reviews were extremely rare at the time. Thus the manifesto of the Northern Art Group was the subject of a review in the *Fine Arts Newspaper*. And so the idea began to germinate within the group, that there might be opportunities for interaction with the Western art world. Still, two series, *The Frozen Northern Wastelands* (1985-1986) and *The Post-Classical Series* (1986-1987) remained under the influence of the concept of expression characteristic of the Northern movement. At the personal level, there would be important consequences for Wang Guangyi, who began to appear, in the eyes of this community, as the star of the group. Furthermore, in the world of contemporary Chinese art, his name was now on everyone's lips. His work, marked by its austerity, in monochromes of grey and blue, is close to Minimalist art. It is certain, in any case, that in it, reason dominates emotion.

In the eighties and nineties, many artists, including Cai Guo-Qiang, Chen Zhen, Gu Wenda, Huang Yong-Ping, Wang Keping, Ma Desheng and Ai Weiwei, went abroad. Wang Guangyi stayed in China to assume his role as spokesman and leader in the Chinese art world. In 1986, another decisive moment in his career occurred. He was offered a professional post at Zhuhai Painting Institute. So he left the cold, hard climate, and headed for the south. It was a period of intense study and reflection. He studied El Greco, Rembrandt, Velázquez, and did a painting on Mao. His inspirations were now the Russian Futurists and post-Soviet artists.

The Institute proposed that he organized an event, yet another wonderful occasion for him to affirm himself. In 1988, he painted a series of portraits of Mao, on which he superimposed grills, in order to objectify them. Three Mao paintings would be shown in the now-famous exhibition, *China/Avant Garde*. The three works provoked considerable reaction. Some commentators, upon seeing these paintings, recalled the agitation caused by Picasso's *Les Demoiselles d'Avignon* in its time. We should recall that the exhibition took place a few months before the dramatic events of June 1989. Those events would provoke a violent rupture in the art milieu, brutally shattering the pleasant euphoria that reigned there, and giving rise to various new movements, among which, to cite only these few, were Cynical Realism, Political Pop and Gaudy Art

(Kitsch). These movements have been theorized by the critic Li Xianting, the "godfather of contemporary Chinese art". This art is now commonly designated by the label *Post-89*: sophisticated works begin to appear, in which ennui and satire rival one another, in a mode of representation close to Western models.

International recognition arrived suddenly for the artist from the north of China: one of his Mao's was reproduced in *Time Magazine*! That did not prevent his being fired from his post at the Institute; he thereby became a martyr for contemporary art. In 1990, he accepted a post as professor at Wuhan. It was at this time that he began work on a new series that would ensure his renown among collectors and critics in the West. After the precarious years, his life changed radically. Yesterday, poverty; today, fame and glory. The series *Great Criticism* that was shown for the first time in Dubai made him famous and confirmed his status as leader of the avant-garde. China was in full economic revolution; luxury products were being bought by a newly-wealthy fringe of the population. Wang Guangyi reacted to the new visual environment by depicting the clash between the classic propaganda images and those of the new luxury consumerism whose products were inundating the Chinese market place. Maoist imagery and icons of the new consumer society set face to face enchanted and seduced critics the world over. A simple sketch, primary colours and the socialist ethos, set in opposition to an internationally recognized logo or brand name, strikes the beholder's imagination.

In 1992, a piece by Wang Guangyi appeared on the cover of the international art magazine, *Flash Art*. The artist had now definitively made it in the avant-garde world; his work would be shown the following year in the 45<sup>th</sup> Venice Biennale. Thus a style was born. It is immediately recognizable: a scene with Chinese marching toward a radiant Maoist future, juxtaposed with slogans from Western consumerism, the whole painted in strong, bright colours. The first step on this new path was the representation of a Coca Cola bottle next to a book on peasant soldiers.

Thus it is in our natural media maze, that is, in the multiplicity of images collected from among the swarm of logos of famous luxury brands or multinational enterprises, that Wang Guangyi finds the leaven of his visual vocabulary. Integrating, on the surface of the painting, energetic figures from the rabble army, proudly brandishing sickle, hammer and flag, he has forged a style devoid of aggressiveness that does not merely reproduce the visible. The ensemble amounts to a sort of visual no-man's land, where the real and the imaginary combine to produce a second reality, allying the prestige of the pictorial act to the chronicle, a double identification and a pacific confrontation.

In such a climate, the rendering is clear in its formal eloquence, the means deployed kept under firm control. There are neither superfluous shifts in expression, nor over-dramatization: we can only conclude that this work by a Chinese artist is the clear result of serious reflection on his times, his world. Political Pop is born. We must recall nevertheless that between the mid-1990s and the early 2000s, the paintings of the *Great Criticism* series were systematically banned from exhibitions in Chinese museums.

While it is true that Western influence is a reality in contemporary Chinese art, it is equally true that it is thoroughly assimilated and, more to the point, "Chinized". The case of Wang Guangyi is exemplary in this respect: he had to be Chinese in order to develop an imagery so singular, the fruit of the interdependence between the lived and the created, between life and art. There is always in Chinese art a permanent *elsewhere*, imperceptible yet irrevocably present. The

great Chinese artists – and Wang Guangyi is certainly one of them – know instinctively to keep their distance from Western art. They must be judged in the light of this evidence: they are artists of today, but they are different.

As we have seen, Wang Guangyi decided very early on to become the leader of the art milieu of the Middle Empire. He understood things very quickly, including the importance of the commercial value of art works, but not solely in the interest of his personal financial profit, despite having lived for a long time in circumstances worthy of a Zola novel. One thinks of Van Gogh who wrote to his brother Theo: "The heart of the matter, you see, is that my possibilities for working depend on the sale of my works"; but also perhaps of Rembrandt who did not hesitate to bid up prices in the sale room, not for his own works, but to enhance the prestige of his profession, declaring that besides the fact that the elevated prices permitted the artist to live more comfortably, they served symbolically to increase the status of art in the eyes of the world. That is exactly what Wang Guangyi thinks, and he has not hesitated to say so, in writing or in the numerous interviews he has given.

The artist is often ranked under the banner of Political Pop Art. This would differentiate him from American Pop Art or from the New Realists. But perhaps not entirely. The works presented in Dubai, with their imagery of the "popular revolution" associated with symbols of the consumer society or famous slogans, show that the Wang Guangyi rocket has reached its cruising speed, and that the intensity of his work proves itself in its capacity to suggest well beyond its apparent limits. "I find in the Chinese artists a spirit of subversion which no longer exists in our own art", wrote the late critic Harald Szeemann. There were a number of us who at the time drew attention to the intense and passionate artistic activity taking place in China. There were many sceptics of course, but with the passage of time, they were obliged to accept the evidence: the major international events were according more and more space to this contemporary art of the highest quality coming from the Far East. Thus it acquired increasing legitimacy.

A striking figure of a man with a proud expression, chiselled features reminiscent of Romain Gary, naturally charismatic, Wang Guangyi knew very early that his life would become a destiny. The artist is now without question in the pantheon of contemporary Chinese art. A major figure on the Chinese artistic scene since the 1990s, he has seen his reputation continue to grow, and the circulation and fame of his works to increase steadily.

Dr Henry Périer

21 September 2015



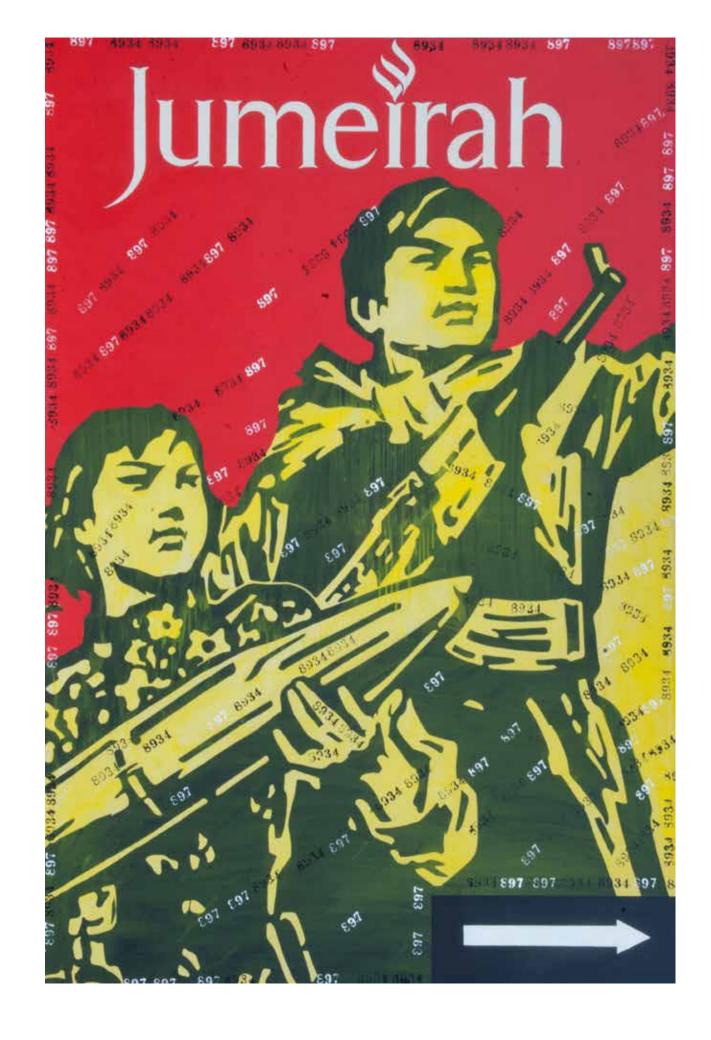


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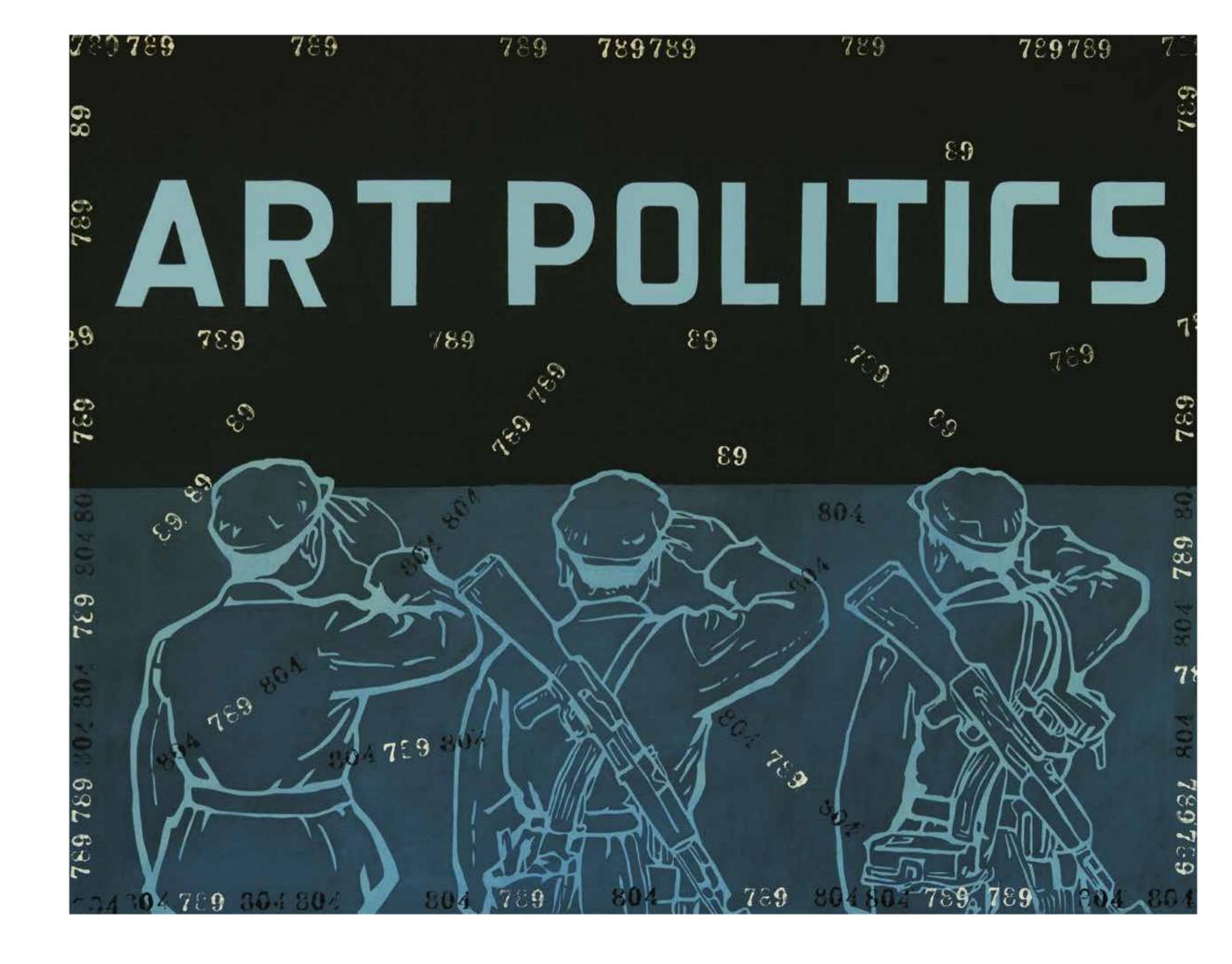
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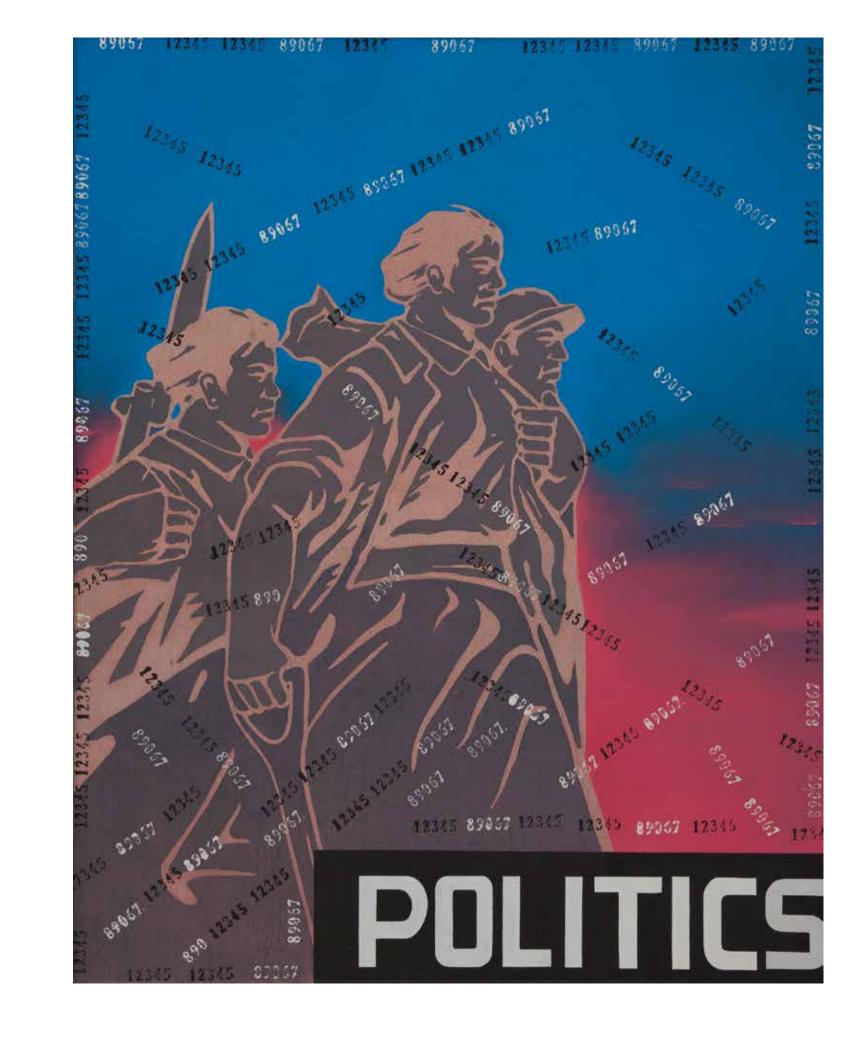


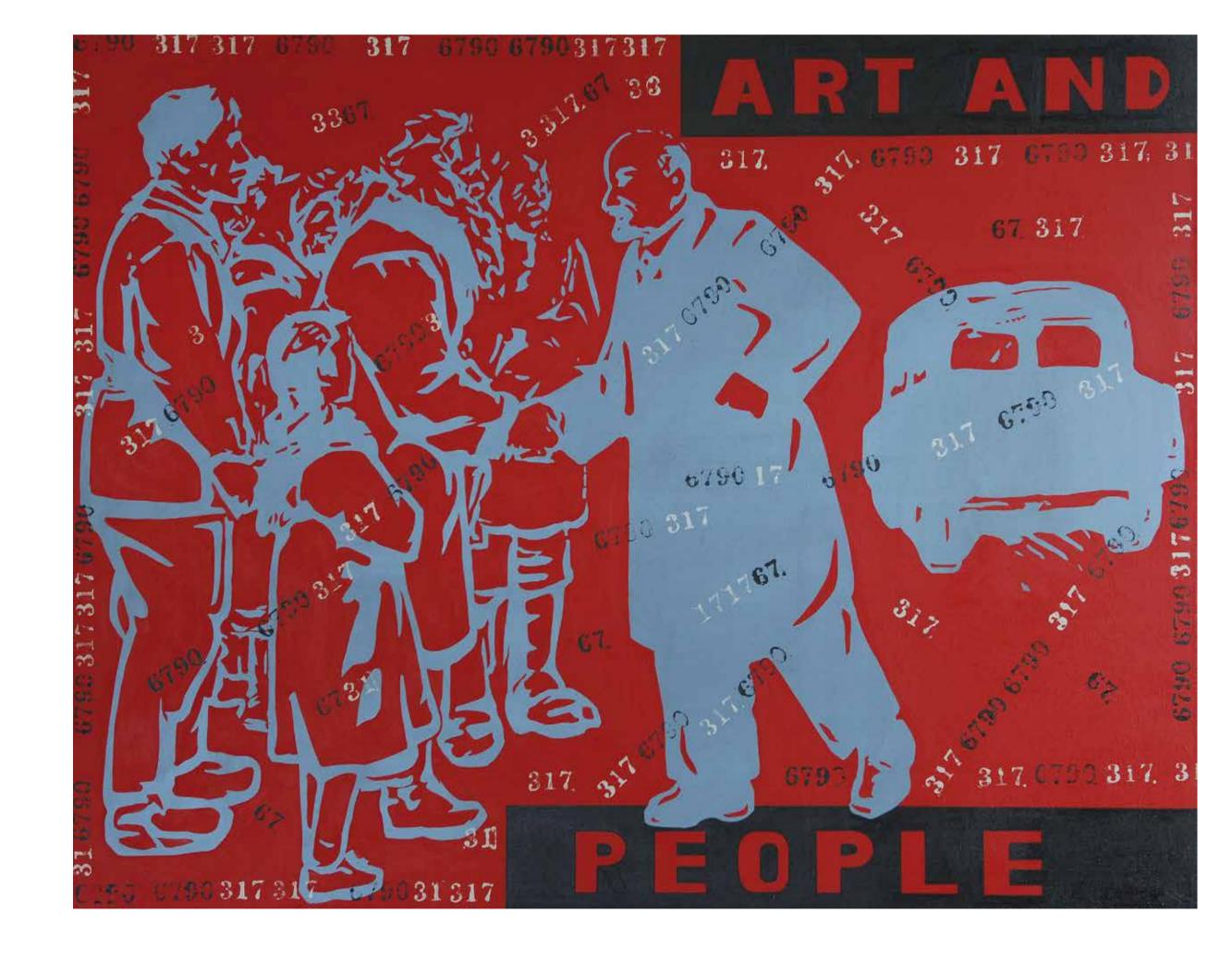


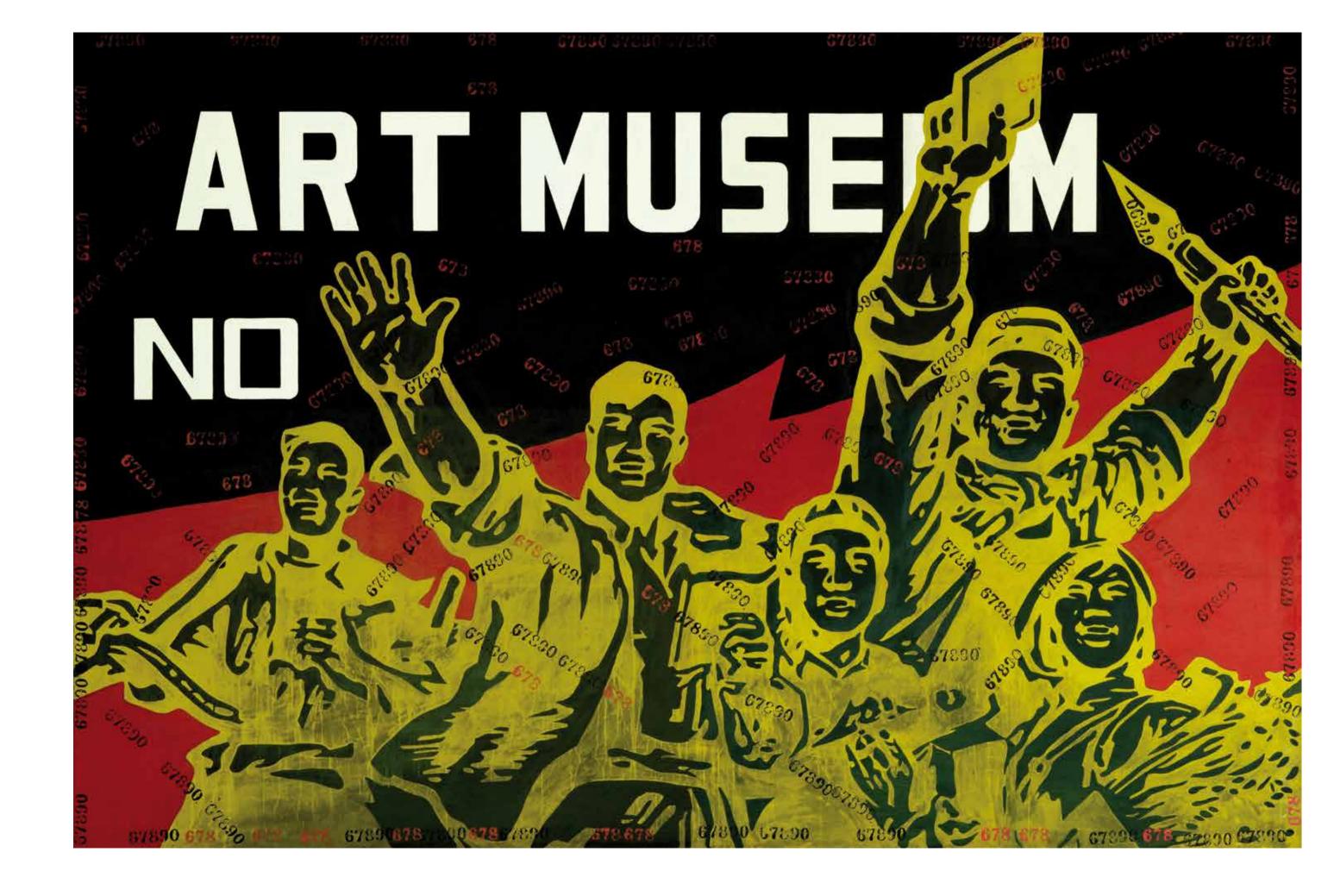
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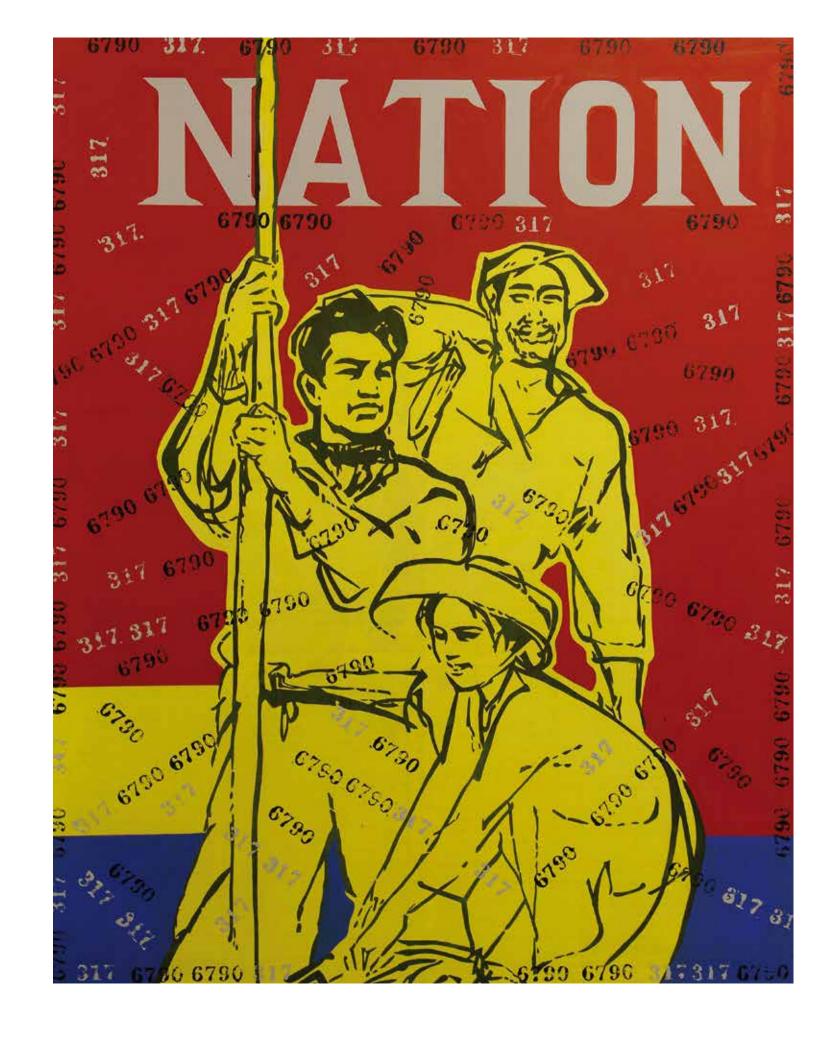


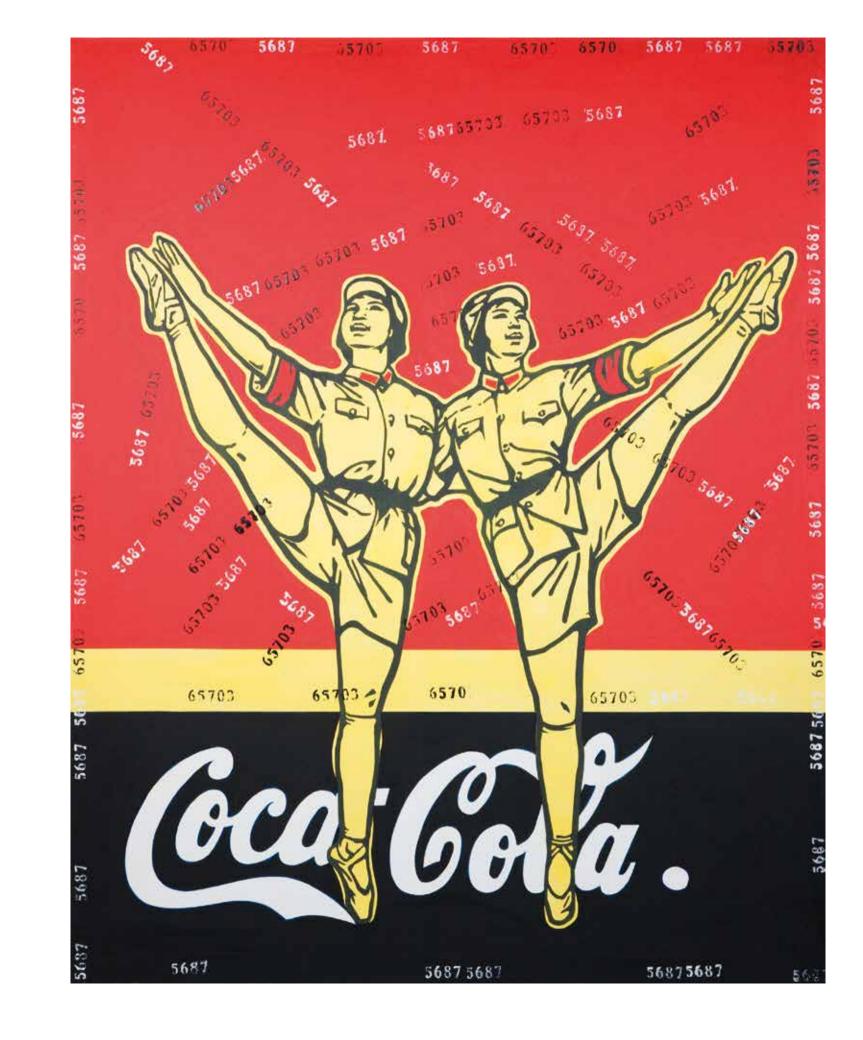


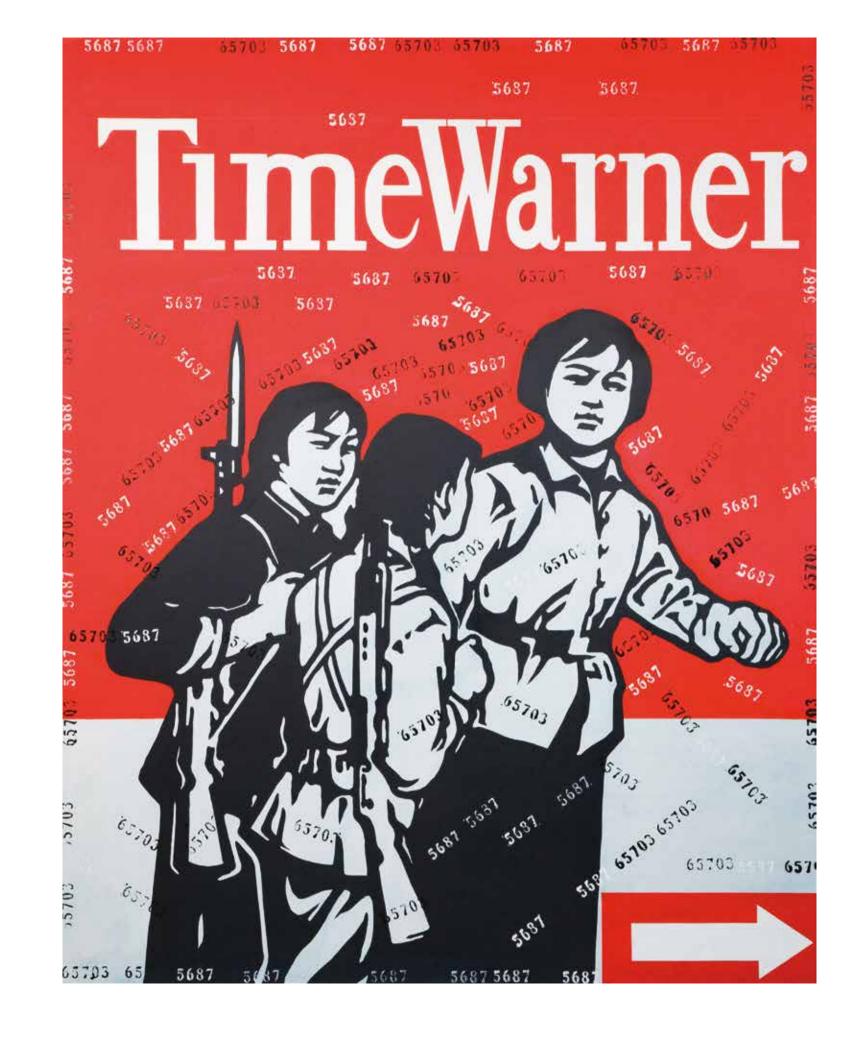


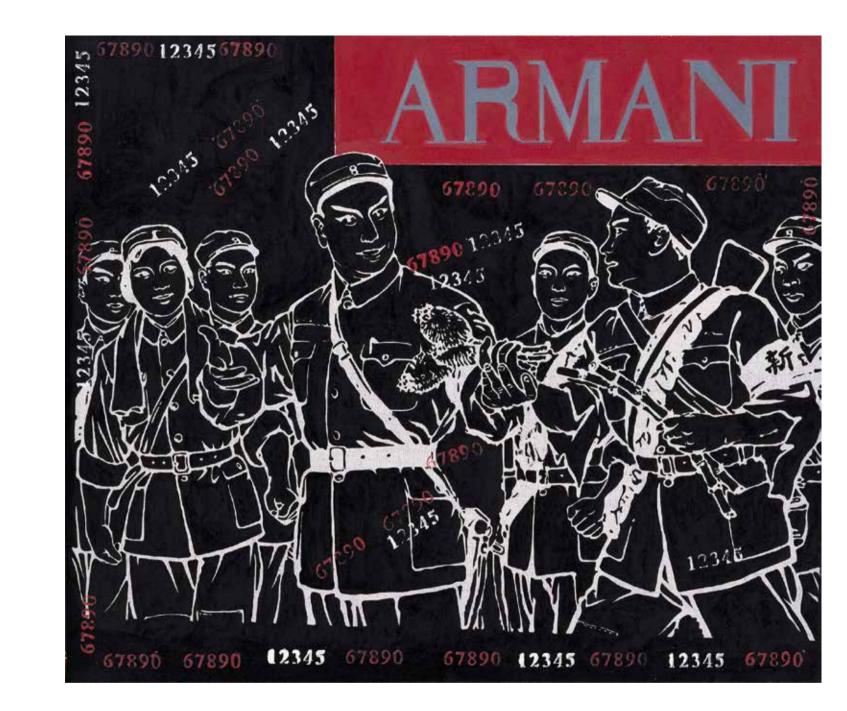
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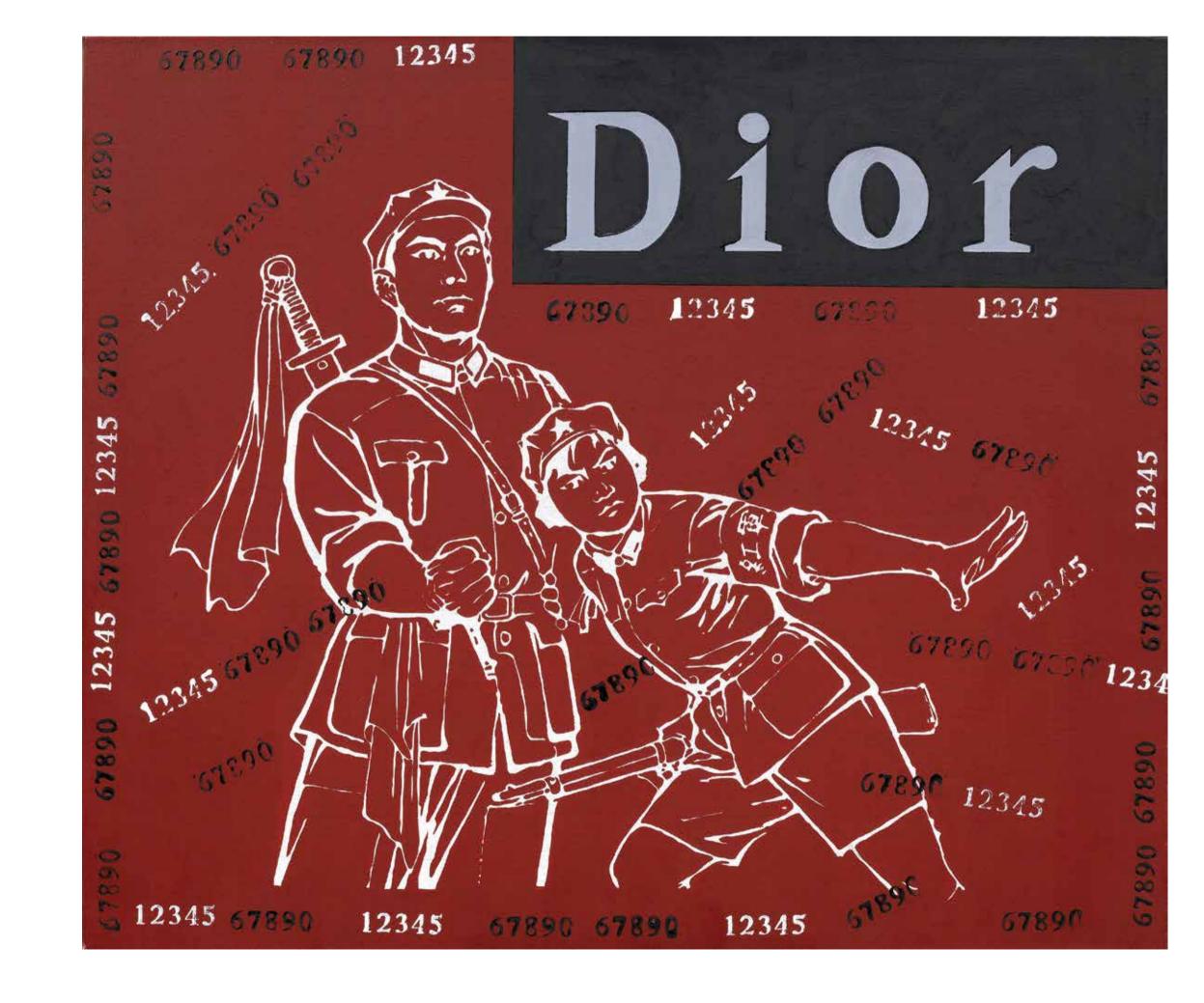


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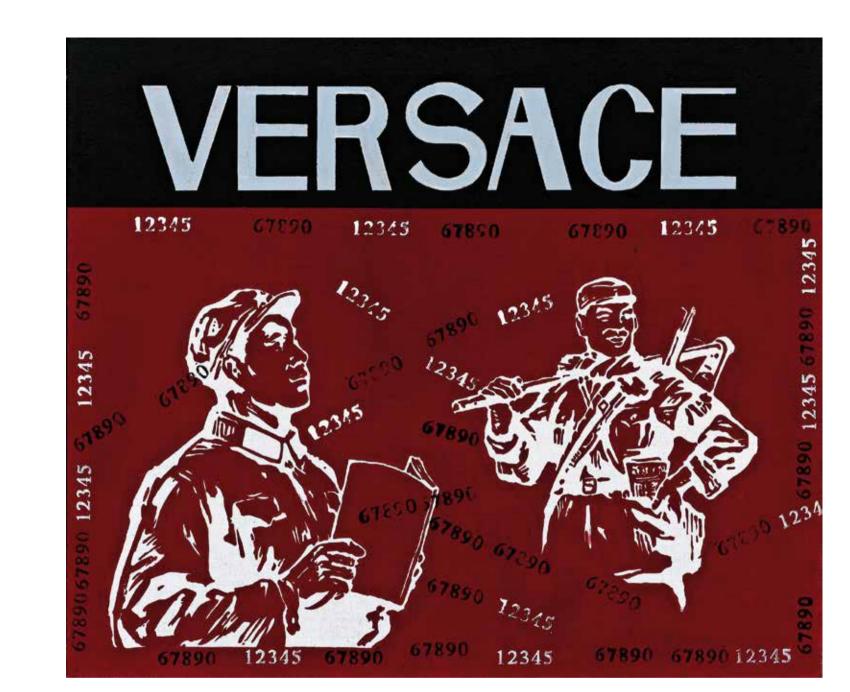
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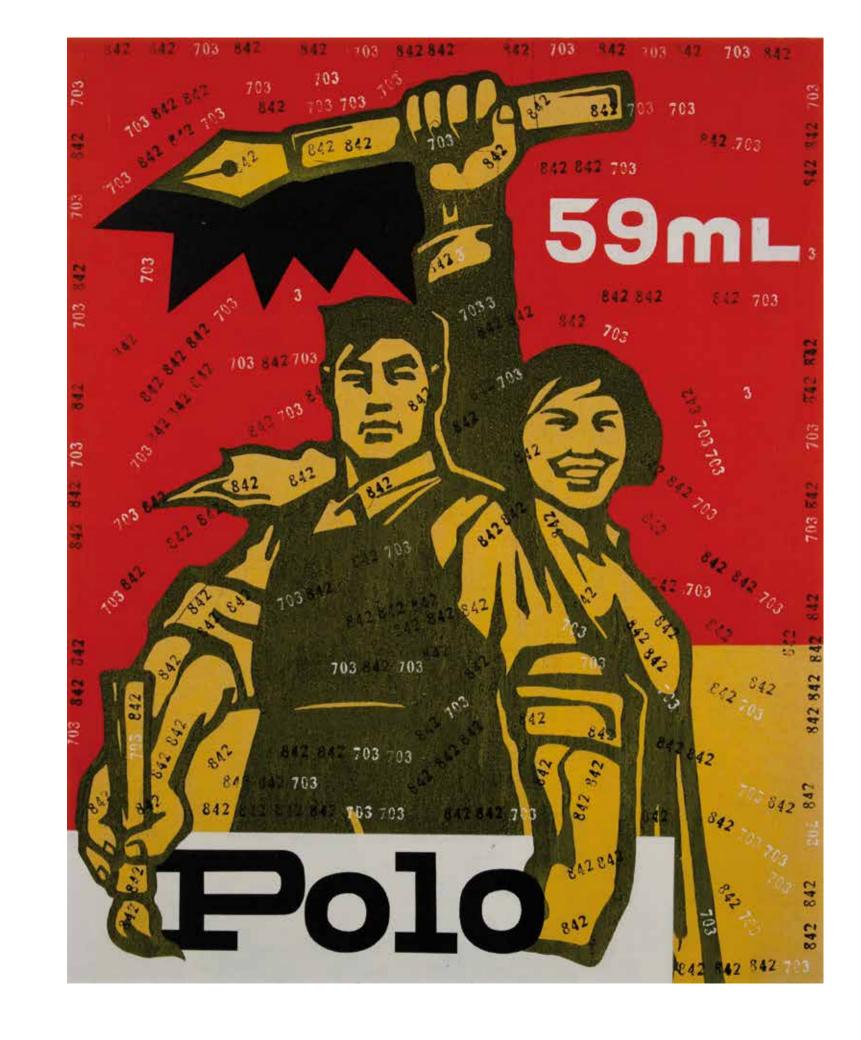


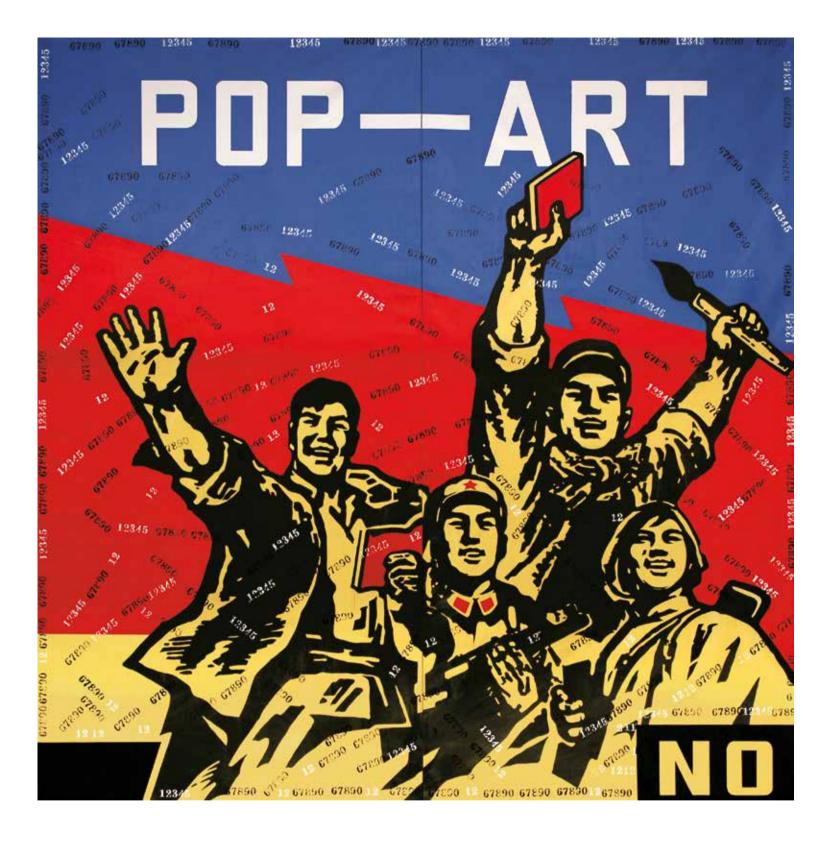


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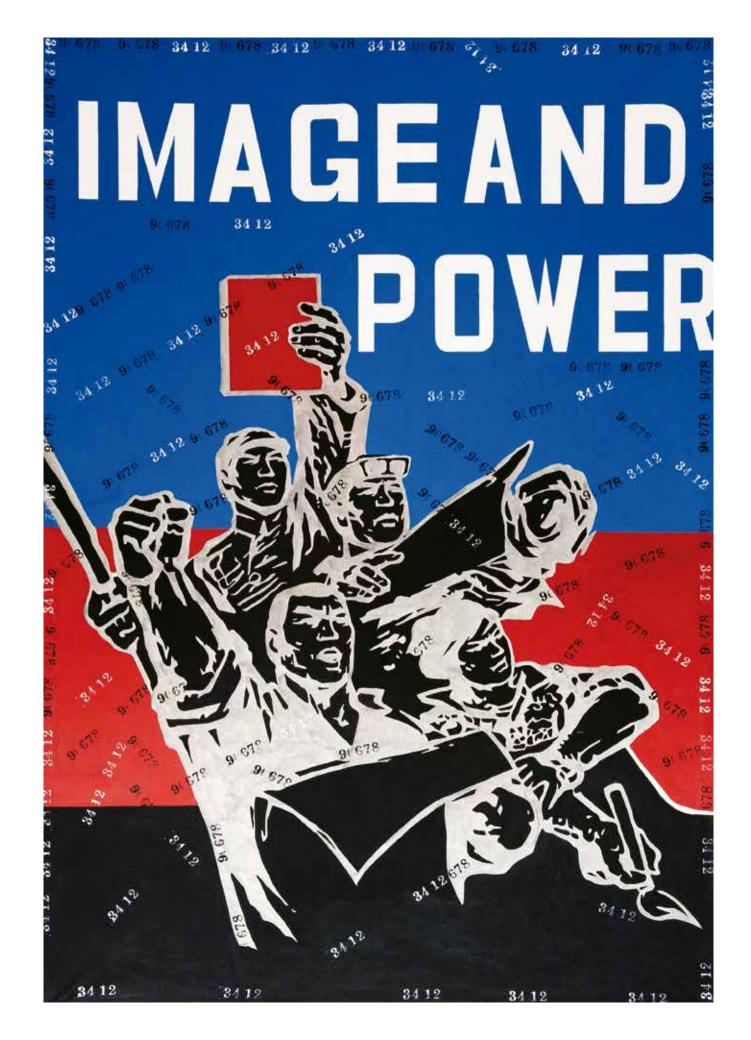




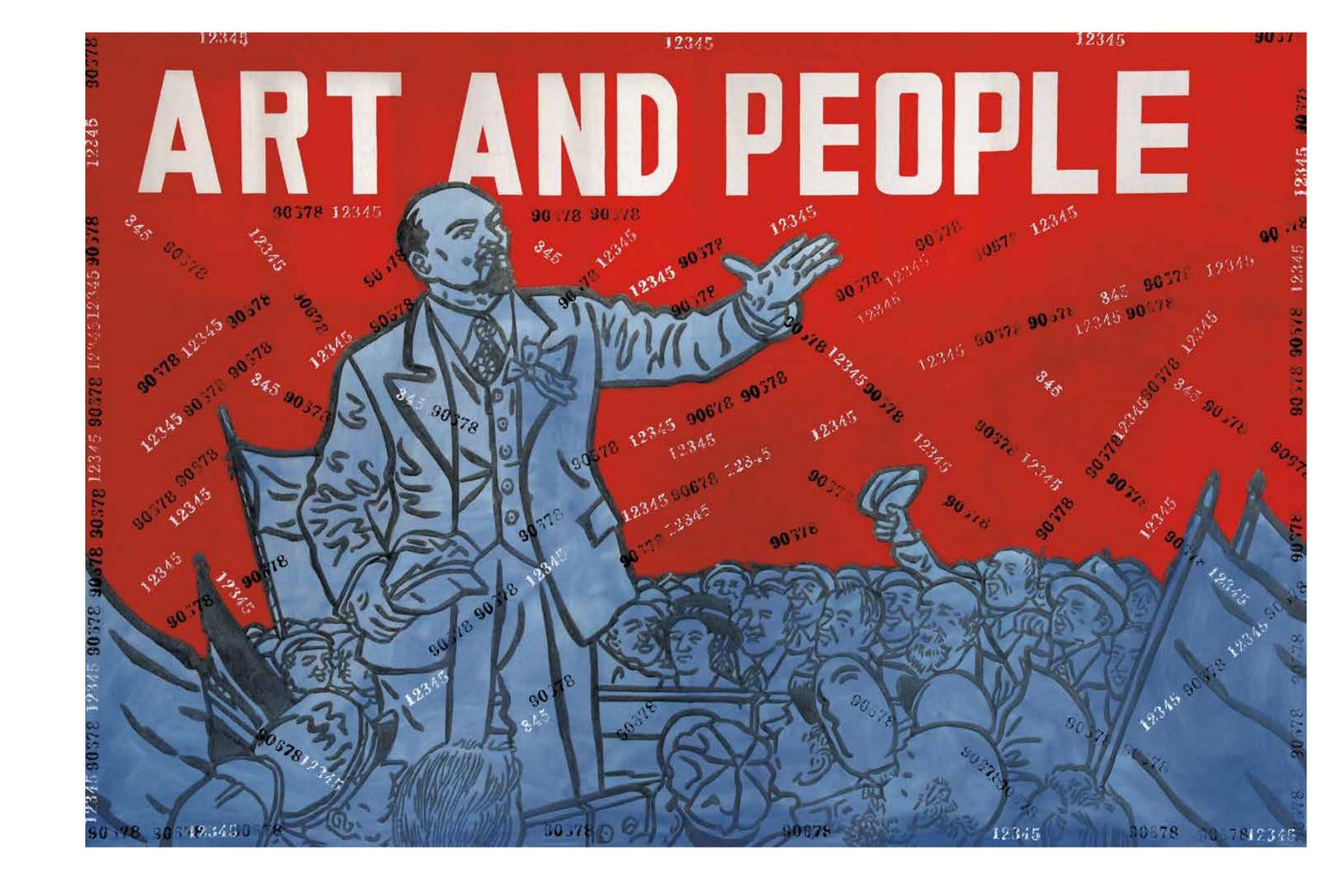


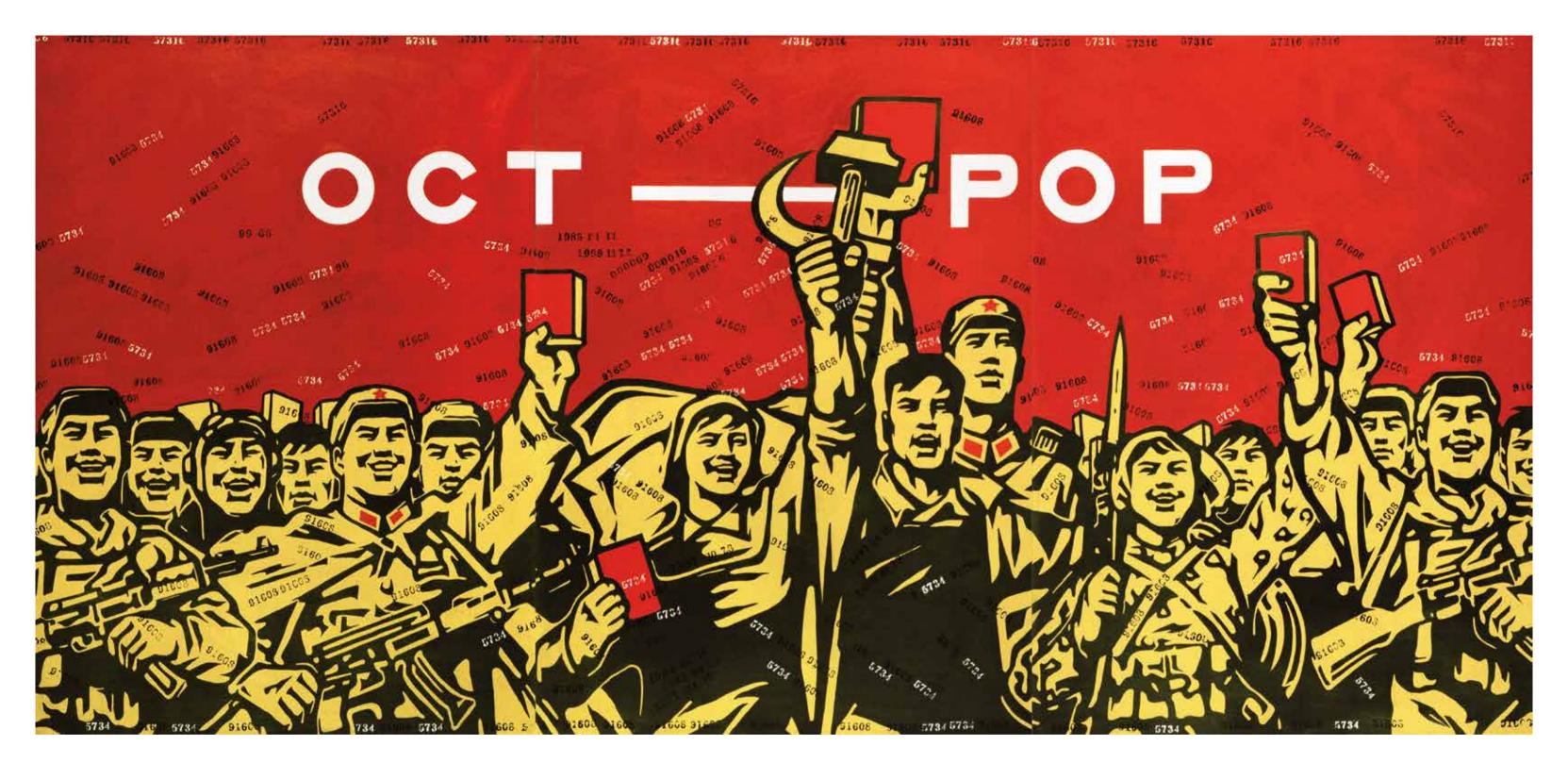
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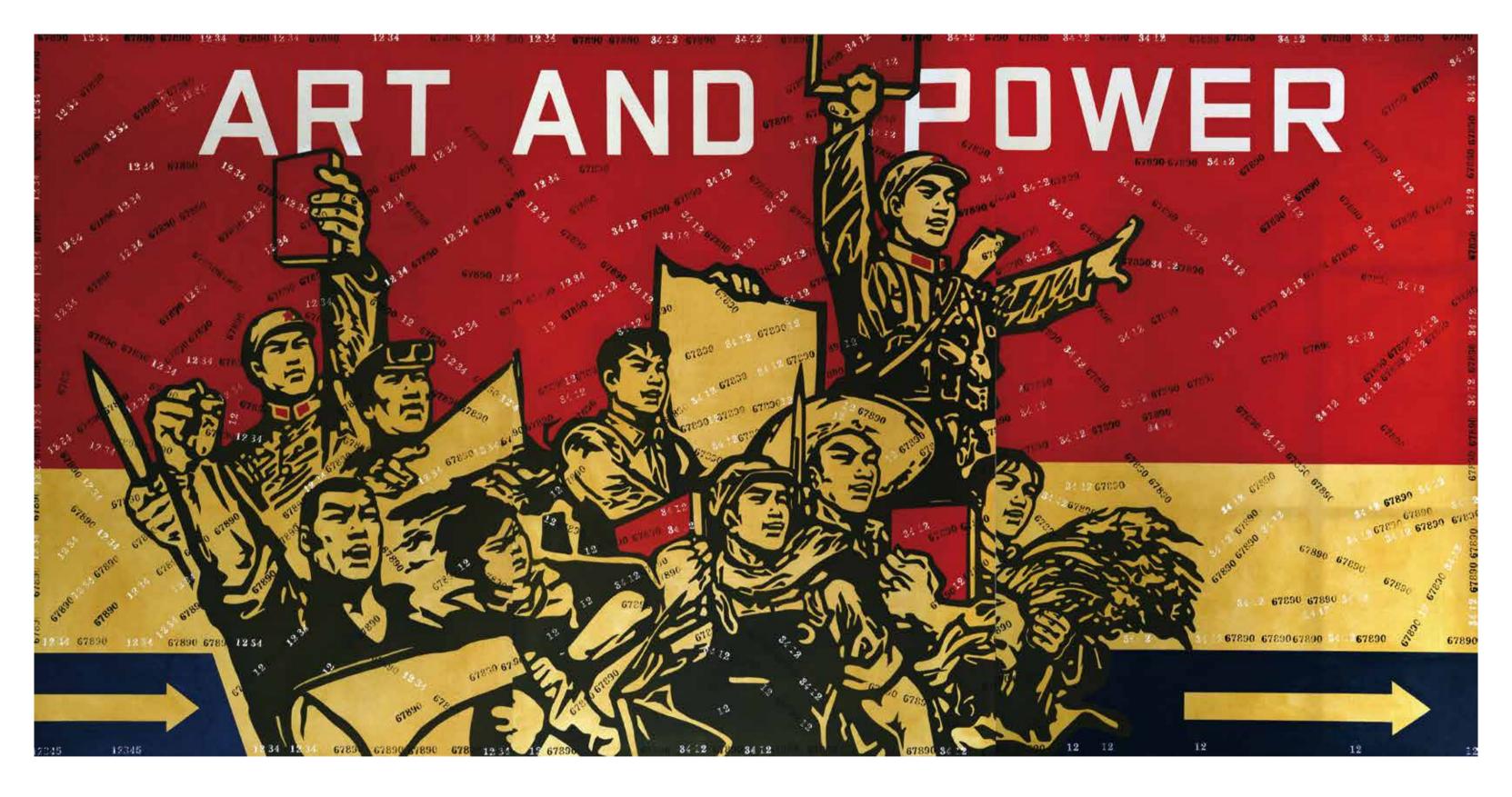


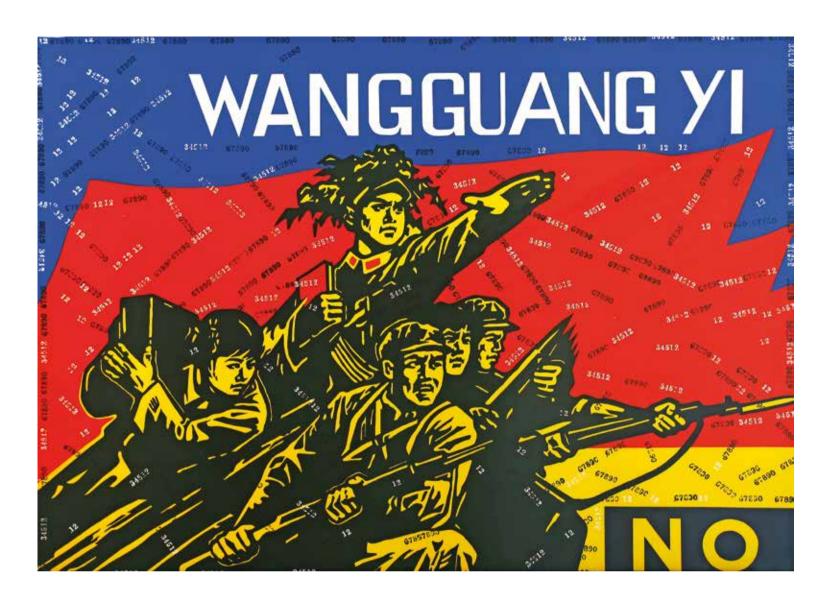










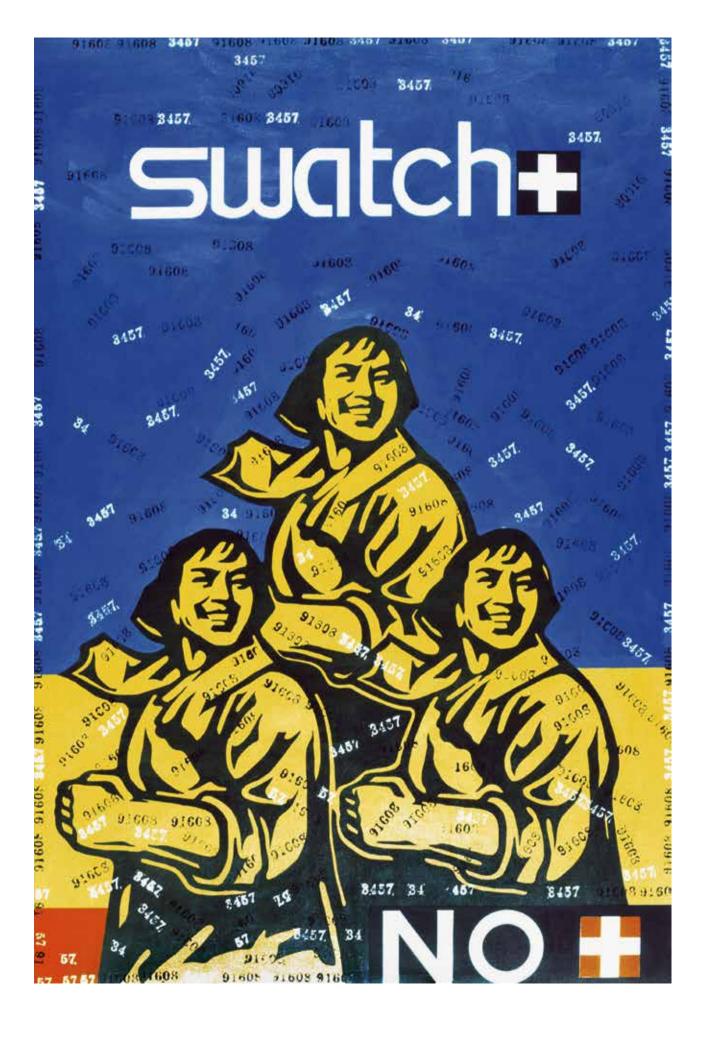




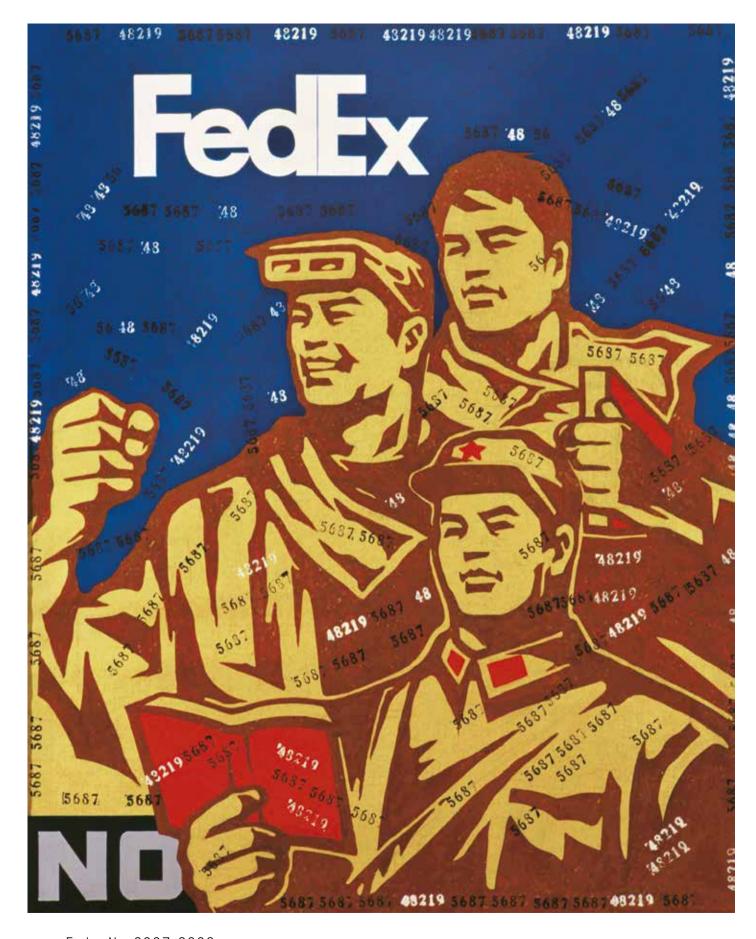
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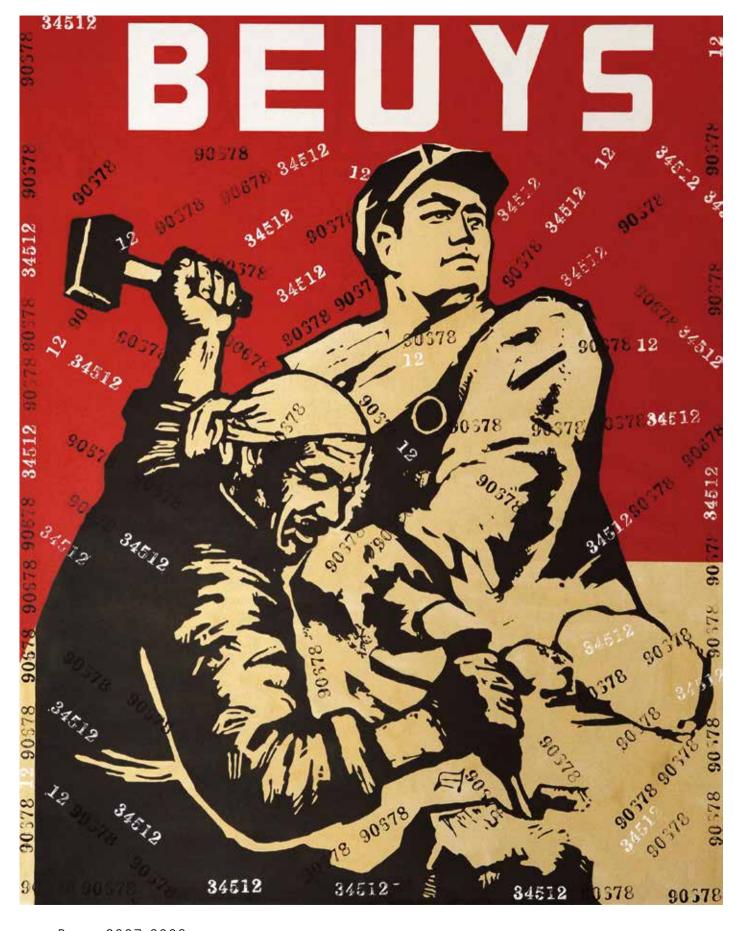
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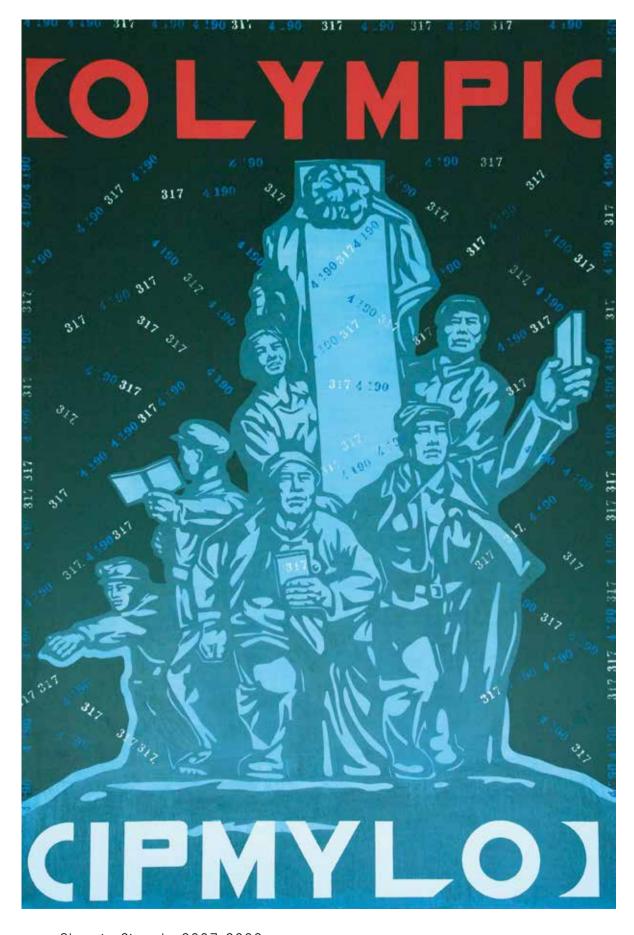


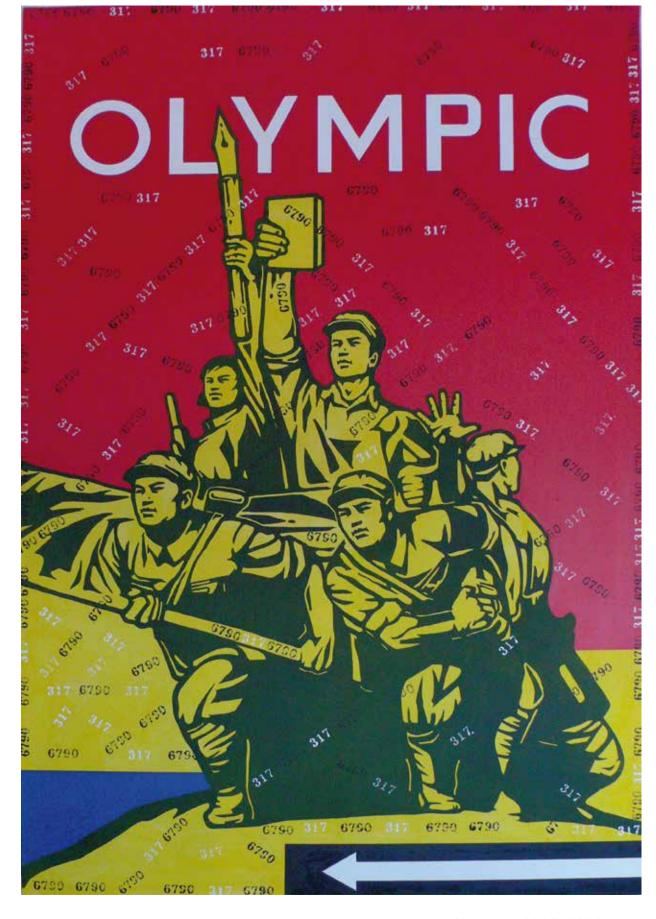




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