Exhibitions in China to showcase our artists

A SERIES of eight exhibitions and more than 50 artists is to bring Scotland's contemporary art scene to China.

The shows, called Current, will showcase new and existing work by artists from or based in Scotland at the Shanghai Himalayas Museum in China.

'The exhibition has been arranged by the Cooper Gallery at Dundee University with its curator Sophia Hao and Wang Nanming, a curator and critic in Shanghai.

The shows will include work by Bruce McLean, Poster Club, Edgar Schmitz, Ross Sinclair, Lucy Skaer and Corin Sworn, among others.

It will also show works from the archives of the Duncan of

Dordanstone College of Art & Design and a moving image screening programme featuring emerging artists in Scotland.

Current opens on June 27 to coincide with the British Council's UK Season in China and ends in December next year, where it will overlap with the 11th Shanghai Biennale.

As well as eight shows with 50 artists, there will be artist and writers residences and a series of

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SHOW: Sophia Hao and Wang Nanming from Shanghai.

forums with 12 speakers from Scotland and around the world.

The first show, Poster Club, features work by Ciara Philips, the Glasgow-based artist who was in the running for last year's Turner Prize, Michael Stumpf, Nicolas Party, Anne-Marie Copestake, Charlie Hammond and Tom O'Sullivan.

Ms Hao said: "We've put together a radical curatorial programme which will champion the great strengths of Scotland's visual artists and art to audiences in China.

"The programme brings two radically different experiences of 'the contemporary' into proximity."

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