As one of the groundbreaking curators of media arts and organizer of media arts events in China, Zhang Ga will discuss the rapid growth and interest in this field, with a review of recent and upcoming exhibitions in which he has been involved in.

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Zhang GA directed and curated “Synthetic Times: International New Media Art Exhibition”, the Beijing Olympics Cultural Project organized by the National Art Museum of China (2008), recently, the “eARTS Beyond, Shanghai eARTS festival, (2009), and “TimeLapse”, an exhibition bringing together artists from Switzerland and China on the theme of Deleuze’s discussion on the perception of time (2009-2010).

His upcoming curatorial projects include “Sense Exercise”, at the Ars Electronica Festival (2010); “TransLife”, National Art Museum of China, Beijing (2011).

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