

It was 15th of June 2025, I was visiting various galleries, I came across UNIT 2 on London Road in Hastings.

Through the large window I could see a garment hanging on the wall and instantly felt affinity to the piece. Curiosity got the better of me so I walked in.

I was warmly welcomed and encouraged to explore the exhibition/Installation. The aroma of coffee ☕😊. I was enchanted by the coffee powder circle in the middle of the room and various art objects suspended from the ceiling hovering like spaceships. The coffee circle made a nice space to sit around and converse- it became a communal space to gather to - chat, discuss, meditate.....

The inclusion of her friend's weaving with Huan's art was an incredible collaboration and entanglement of two forms of arts and artists.

The name of the exhibition Mushrooms, Threads and Gondolas reveals the mind-set, life dynamics and travels of the artist Huan Wang and how it has influenced her work.

Huan's Installation of slides projection called upon the viewer to be part of the artist's quest of creating the river sculptures. It gave the viewer an experience of going to the river rather than just looking at the slides of the river.

The exhibition was excellently curated by Fiona (Haoyue) Chen. Fiona understood the artist and her art. The exhibition had a natural flow like the river/water and the sculptures drifted in the rhythm of boats and gondolas.

I would say the exhibition/Installation was very organic and elemental.

The recycled coffee granules gave warmth

-Element of Fire

The river slides Installation was

Element of Water

The suspended arts

Element of Air

The weaving and mud residual sculptures

Element of Earth.

Unit 2 made the Element of Space.

I saw this exhibition/Installation in June. It is so vivid in my mind as if I saw the exhibition today. The duration of the exhibition was short but I am happy I was in the right place in the right time.

I thank the artist Huan Wang and wish her well in her future projects.

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