

WEIHONG



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Alliance Gallery
3201 Allen Parkway Houston, Texas 77019

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EXHIBITION ON VIEW: **13 Dec, 2012 - 20 Jan, 2013**

RECEPTION FOR THE ARTIST: Thursday, Dec 13, 2012 from 5:30 - 8 p.m.

GALLERY HOURS: Fri 4-8 p.m. Sat-Sun 2-6 p.m.

Call (832) 660-3243 for an appointment to have teatime with the artist.

Teateria goes far beyond just an ordinary tearoom as the Houston/Beijing based artist Weihong uses the gallery space as a meeting place for people to come, interact, and drink tea. All of the teacups and tea for the display have been offered by her teaguests worldwide—people she has encountered over the years during her ongoing interactive art performance “255-0+Tea” and “Tea 4-2” project. Weihong has collected portraits of more than 1,000 teaguests as a commentary on the search for balance in nature. The *Teateria* takes the experience of teatime to a new level. The entire space alternates in a black and white pattern, symbolizing the yin-yang duality of the Taoist Chinese philosophy. The visitors will become Weihong’s new teaguests, and also the guests of the people who have contributed the teacup and tea. As a result they will travel through a circular journey in the vast world of humanity where, as the artist explains, “Each teacup is an encountered person in a radiant Zen moment.”

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