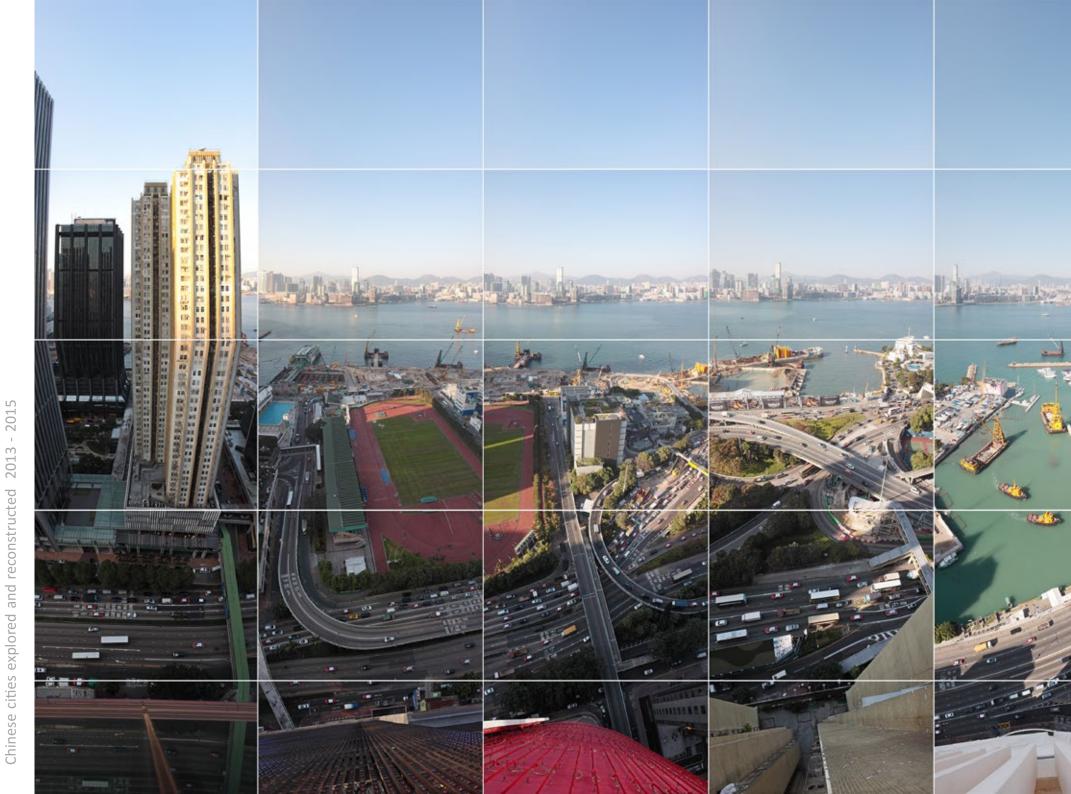
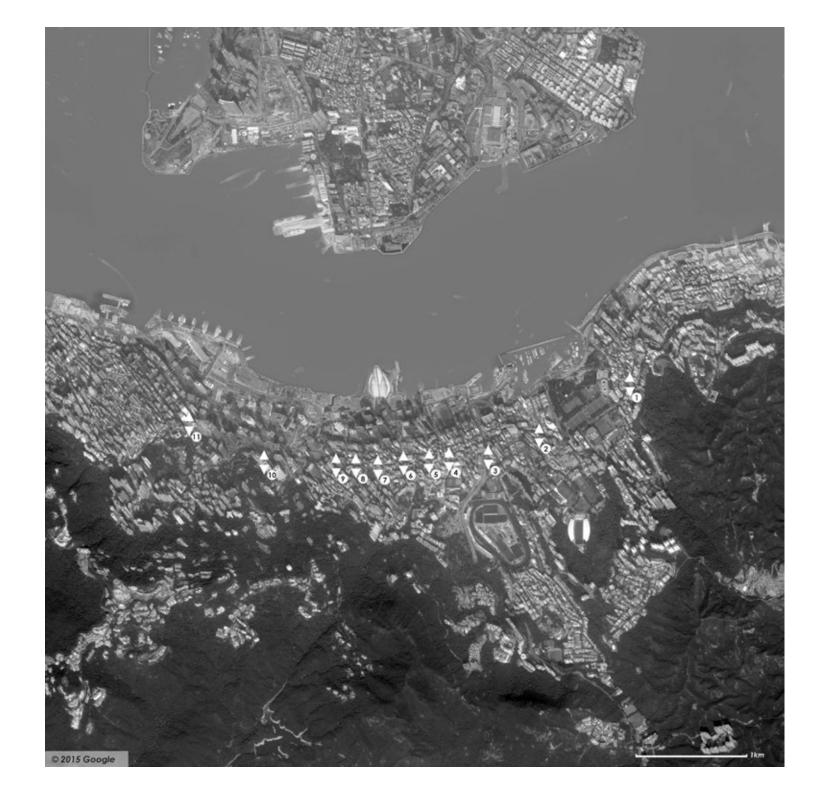
Expanding Perspectives





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Maps are the starting point of my one-day journeys. By following a line on the map I can perceive the world in a mindful and indiscriminate manner.

Between 2012 and 2015 I explored and photographed some of the largest cities of the Chinese world; among them: Shanghai, Shenzhen, Wuhan, Chongqing, Anshan and Hong Kong. The overwhelming vastness of some of these metropoles symbolizes the current size and expansion of the world population.

In each city I drew a line on the map. During a single day I followed this line and photographed from the rooftops of the buildings I encountered. All the photographs were taken in the same compass directions, perpendicular to the line travelled. The photographs were joined into a larger image. The resulting image has a specific space-time structure which is cylindrical and can be imagined to perpetuate indefinitely. The layout of the photographs reflects the distribution of the actual locations and, at the same time, it follows the timeline of the one-day journey.

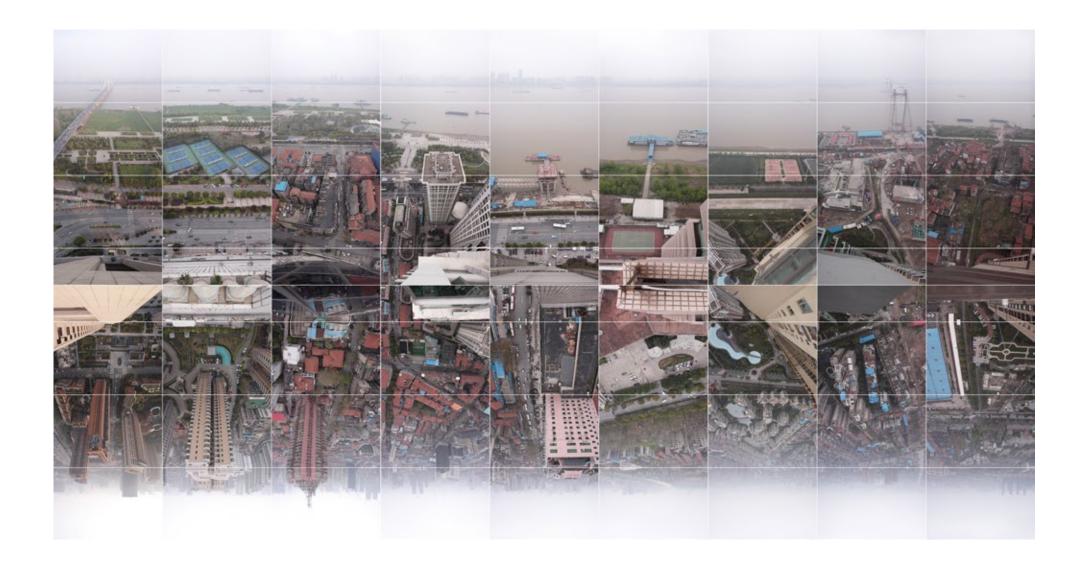
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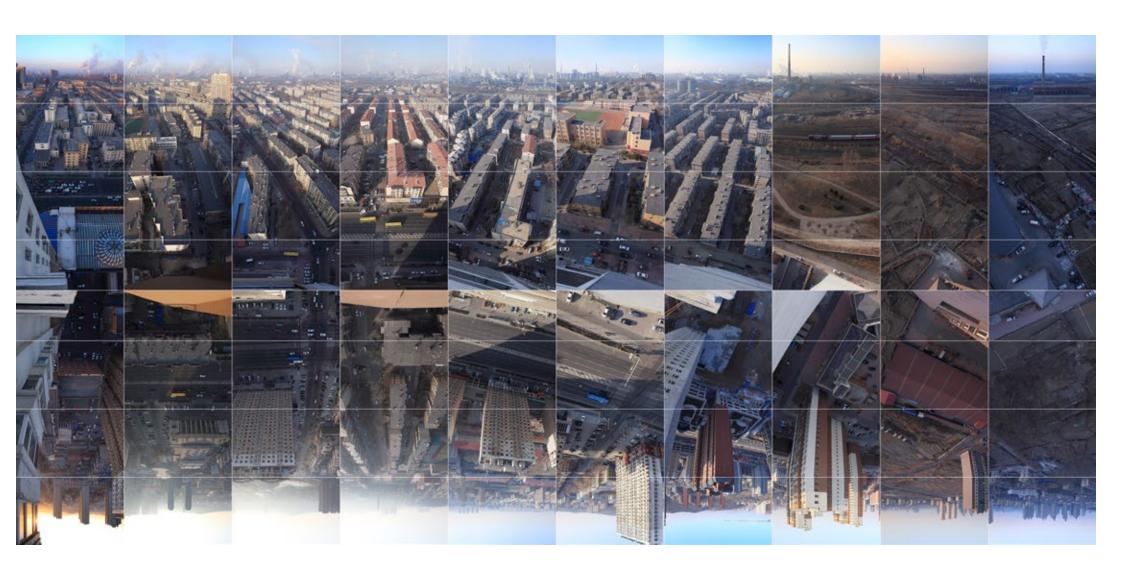






















- p.6 Hong Kong Island from Causeway Bay to Central via Hennessey Road 12-12-2014 7.51 8.10 8.44 10.13 10.40 11.40 12.43 12.56 13.37 14.03 15.22 16.19 110 x 194 cm
 p.7 Hong Kong Island following the coastline from Quarry Bay to Wan Chai 29-12-2014 7.55 8.40 9.52 10.19 10.52 11.27 12.12 14.40 15.47 16.15 16.53 17.11 17.49 110 x 229 cm
- o.8 Shenzhen following Shennan East Road 04-03-2013 8.01 - 8.36 - 9.47 - 11.38 - 12.08 - 12.48 - 13.43 - 14.24 - 15.01 - 16.06 - 18.37 110 x 201 cm
- p.9 Shanghai following the North-South Elevated Road 08-04-2013 7.03 - 7.35 - 9.24 - 10.02 - 10.42 - 11.14 - 13.12 - 13.33 - 14.37 110 x 174 cm
- p.10 Wuhan following the Yangtze River 26-03-2013 8.45 - 9.21 - 9.47 - 10.45 - 13.00 - 14.15 - 15.44 - 16.14 - 16.54 90 x 173 cm
- p.11 Anshan following the Anshan Iron and Steel industrial site 28-12-2015 7.40 - 8.35 - 9.14 - 9.53 - 12.10 - 13.08 - 14.08 - 15.21 - 15.54 - 16.21 90 x 191 cm
- p.12 Chongqing following the Yangtze River 17-4-2013 8.57 - 9.55 - 10.33 - 11.42 - 12.39 - 14.26 - 15.18 - 16.07 - 17.35 110 x 212 cm
- p.13 Shanghai 10-04-2013 122 x 122 cm
- p.14 Hong Kong Island North Point 22-12-2014 122 x 122 cm
- p.15 Hong Kong Island Des Voeux Road West 30-12-2014

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