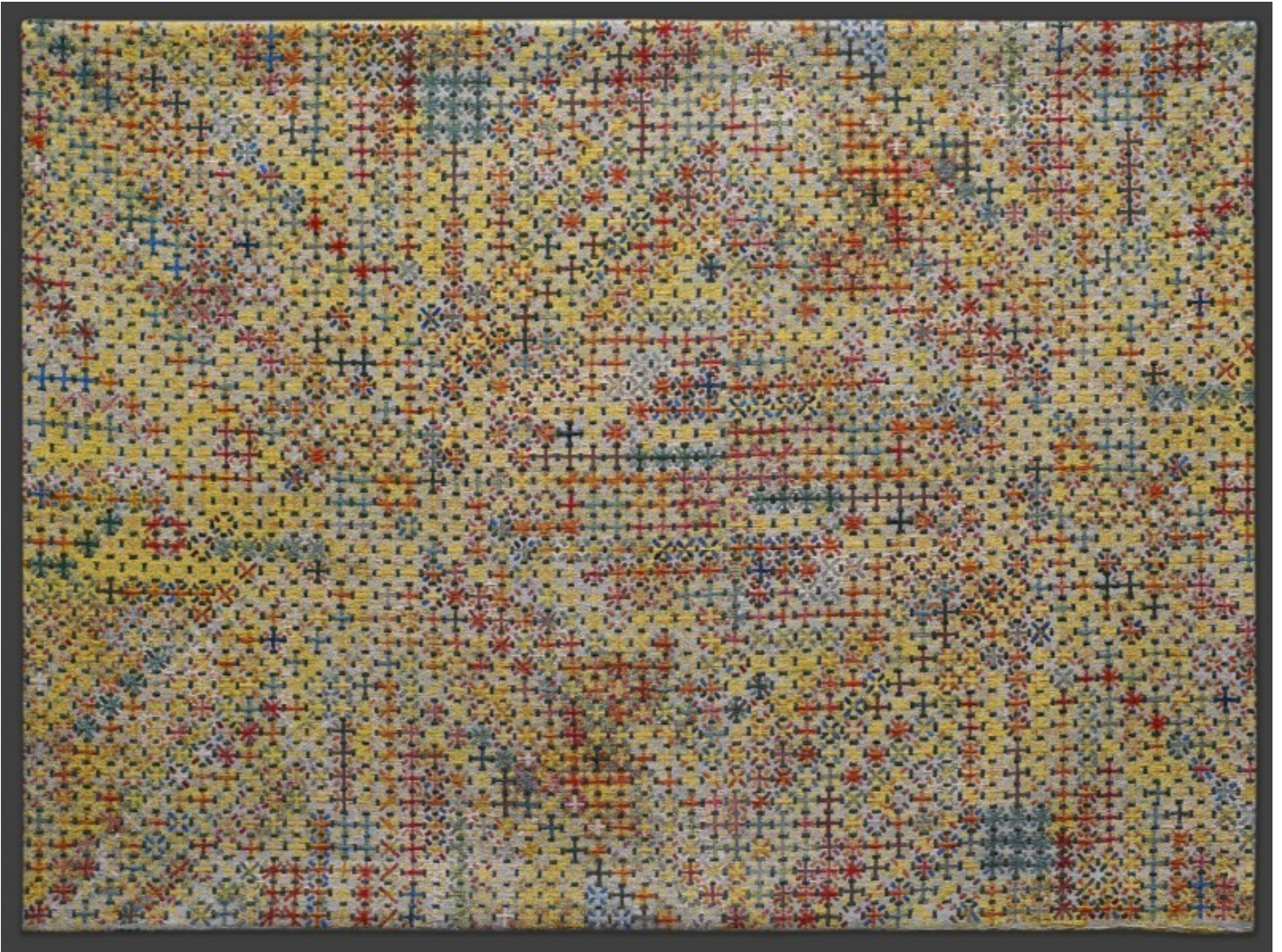


## Ding Yi

*Appearance of Crosses*, 2015, Jacquard tapestry 60 x 80 inches

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Ding Yi is a contemporary Chinese artist who uses and combines just two motifs — the cross motifs of “x” and “+” — to create large abstract grids. In fact, Ding Yi uses only “x” and “+” in all of his art. Using just these two symbols, bigger patterns begin to form that in turn allow other shapes – rectangles, lines, triangles – to appear.

On the back side of this paper, use color markers or coloring pencils to make your own abstract picture and just draw with one or two motifs. You can use any one or two symbols that you like, and any number of colors, but make sure that you use only those two symbols that you chose. Cover the entire box with your small symbols. When you are done, do you see any other shapes or lines that appear? Step back from your picture, do you see more patterns or shapes?

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