

At 22:00 o'clock we left the hostel with two taxis to Times Square. We arrived there and wondered why there are no people waiting for New Year. Even in the MC **** have been more people on the square. It was quiet and cold outside but that was no reason to stand inside the MC *****. We decided to go to another place where more people are. One of our group asked some people where to go. So we went to this place. There have been a big light show which we saw a few meters before. We arrived there and saw a lot of people. That would be the place. And only a few minutes are left. Then the countdown came with several rockets for each second. 10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1 happy new year! I was expecting an amazing firework in the whole city. But there was only this one. Chinese people don't celebrate New Year like we do. That was the reason. They celebrate their New Year in February. So we went to „The Shelter“ by foot. It was a long walk. The Shelter is a real underground club. I met some Germans they told me that you only find it when somebody knows that club. So that was our luck. The music was great down there and there have been a lot of foreigners. We gave up our jackets which took a long time. They run out of numbers which you get for your locker. The time down there was really great. But we had to leave that Club too early because we had to leave the next day our room till 12 o'clock. We went home by taxi and felt straight into sleep. It was a great evening in „The Shelter“ and a faked New Year which is much better in Europe. But it was a new experience!



picture 1: The old town of Shanghai with the expansive restaurants. Here you see a backstreet.