

Artist Bio

Charles Levi is a textile and embroidery artist whose practice reimagines the queer archive and the nuances of bodily labour through spectacular embroidered works. Using allegory, pop culture imagery and heraldic symbolism, his works are layered with gestures and codes that unfurl like complex costumes or flags, championing the experience of the queer subject across history.

Artist CV

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Education

University of Technology Sydney - Sessional Lecturer - Fashion and Textile Design - 2025

*UNSW Art & Design – Bachelor of Fine Art (Honours) **Class 1** - 2022*

Sydney College of the Arts - Bachelor of Visual Arts (Painting) - 2016-2019

Solo Exhibitions

2026 - Shepparton Art Museum (SAM), Victoria (Upcoming)

2024 LUDDITE/SODOMITE, FIRSTDRAFT, Woolloomooloo

Selected Group Exhibitions

2025 THE PERFORMANCE HAS STARTED - Sydenham International - Sydney

2025 EMERGING 2025 - GOSFORD REGIONAL GALLERY, Gosford, New South Wales

2025 WANGARATTA CONTEMPORARY TEXTILE AWARD - Wangaratta Art Gallery, Victoria

2025 THE DEVOTED EYE - AMES YAVUZ, Sydney

2024 FAUVETTE LOUREIRO MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP - Emerging, SCA GALLERY, Sydney

2024 AUSTRALIAN TAPESTRY WORKSHOP: KATE DERUM AND IRENE DAVIES INTERNATIONAL TAPESTRY AWARDS, Melbourne

2024 ART BRUSSELS 40th Fair Edition with AMES YAVUZ, Brussels, Belgium

2023 HATCHED: National Graduate Exhibition, PICA, Perth

2023 SURRY HILLS AT PLAY: Public Art Exhibition, curated by Pip Hall, TITLE STORE Activation, Crown St, Surry Hills, Partnered with City of Sydney and ReActivate Consulting

2022 The ANNUAL, UNSW Galleries

2021 I CAME TO SEE – Public Art Exhibition, curated by Jackson Farley, Martin Place, Partnered with Transport NSW and City of Sydney

Awards / Prizes / Scholarships / Grants

2025 Wangaratta Contemporary Textile Award 2025 - Finalist

2025 Emerging 2025 (Gosford) - Finalist

2024 Fauvette Loureiro Memorial Scholarship - Emerging - Finalist

2024 Irene Davies International Tapestry Award - Finalist

2023 Dr Harold Schenberg Award - Finalist

2022 TWT Excellence Prize - **Winner**

2022 Tim Olsen Drawing Prize – Finalist

Commissions / Public Programming

2023 Powerhouse Museum: Castle Hill, Family Day: Textiles - Textile Workshop