

Celebrating the artists who resided at the Australian Tapestry Workshop (ATW) in 2022.

2022 Artists in Residence Group Show | Alexi Freeman, Paula do Prado, Kris Coad, Melanie Cobham, Isabel Deakin, Matthew Gove, Octora, Victoria Manganiello (USA)

9 MARCH – 11 MAY 2023

Curated by: The Australian Tapestry Workshop



Image: 'Untitled #168' detail, 2023, Victoria Manganiello, Natural and Synthetic Fibres and Dye. Photo ATW.

The Australian Tapestry Workshop (ATW) presents the *2022 Artist in Residence Group Show*, a celebration of the artists who resided at the **ATW** in 2022, including international and interstate artists whose residencies were postponed due to COVID-19.

Works within the exhibition reflect the diversity of conceptual concerns, materiality and process of the 2022 artists in residence, including hand cast fine porcelain, hybridised fibre forms, bio-textiles and humour infused Australianana.

Alexi Freeman, Kris Coad, Octora, Isabel Deakin/Kin Workshop, Melanie Cobham and Matthew Gove (Arts Project Australia), as well as Victoria Manganiello (USA) and Paula do Prado (NSW).

Inaugurated in 2012, the **ATW's Artist in Residence program** is open to artists worldwide working in any medium and at any stage of their career, this program provides dedicated time and space for artists to work in a contemporary dynamic studio setting. Each year, the artists immerse themselves in our vibrant studio – exchanging knowledge and skills with our weavers and engaging with the wider community through a diverse range of public programs.

In an ongoing partnership with **Arts Project Australia (APA)** the ATW offers a residency place to an APA artist each year. This is an important professional development opportunity for the APA artists to create work in an inspiring studio environment and forge new connections in the Melbourne contemporary art community.

Over the last decade the ATW has welcomed over 100 artists as part of the ATW Artist in Residence program. The ATW has established a legacy of championing diverse artistic practice and has seen sound artists, musicians, jewellers, photographers and ceramicists join the stable of ATW AIR alumni.

Notable past artists who have resided at the ATW include, **John Brooks, Lee Darroch, Troy Emery, Sai Wai Foo, Hannah Gartside, Teelah George, Jennifer Goodman, Dias Prabu, Britt Salt and Paul Yore.**

This exhibition and the Artist in Residence program is generously supported by the **City of Port Phillip, Creative Victoria, and the ATW Transforming Tapestry Annual Appeal.**

THE AUSTRALIAN TAPESTRY WORKSHOP (ATW) has built a global reputation as a centre of textiles excellence, specialising in the creation of contemporary tapestries in collaboration with living artists, designers and architects.

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EXHIBITION LAUNCH | 9 MARCH 2023

An exhibition opening will be held for the 2022 Artists in Residence Group Show on Thursday 9th March 2023; 5:30 - 7:30 PM.

QUICK REFERENCE DOCUMENT

VENUE: Australian Tapestry Workshop

OPENING: Thursday 9 March 2023 from 5:30 - 7:30 PM

DATES: 9 March – 11 May 2023

TIMES: Tuesday – Saturday, 1-5 PM

MORE INFO: <https://www.austapestry.com.au/content/2022-artists-in-residence-group-show>

ENTRY: FREE

ARTWORK SALES: For further information and pricing please contact contact@austapestry.com.au

MEDIA CONTACTS: For further information, images or to request interviews contact Lizzie Graham, engagement@austapestry.com.au

This exhibition features:

Alexi Freeman | www.alexifreeman.com | @alexifreeman

Kris Coad | www.kriscoad.com | @kriscoad

Octora | @octora_ox

Isabel Deakin/Kin Workshop | www.kinworkshop.com | @kin.workshop

Melanie Cobham | <https://www.mcobham.com> | @melcobham

Matthew Gove (APA) | www.artsproject.org.au/artist/matthew-gove/ | @artsprojectaust

Victoria Manganiello (USA) | <https://www.victoriamanganiello.com> | @victoriamanganiello

Paula do Prado (NSW) | <http://www.pauladoprado.net> | @cuervopuma