



ENVELOPMENT

By Charles Rosenberg

On View: September 1 – 28, 2023

The Institute for Art and Olfaction welcomes Los Angeles-based artist Charles Rosenberg, whose show *Envelopment* is on view at IAO Gallery in September, 2023.

Envelopment refers to the effect of fragrances as well as the feeling one has when wrapped in a blanket. The artist has created a series of quilts that are presented in three-dimensional form, rather than as traditional wall hangings, so that the viewer is surrounded by each work. Fragrances created by the artist are inspired by the colors of each of the quilts, and experienced while standing within the space of the quilt.

The current series of quilts is an outgrowth of the artist's explorations in geometric abstraction. This exploration started when he created a series of sewn paper works in the nineties. He also made his first fragrances at that time, when he worked at the legendary New York herb store Angelica's. The work on paper that has constituted Charles' art practice since then has been limited to black, white and gray but his craft practice – as manifested in his quilt works – has been a space in which he feels comfortable creating with color. Working with a range of colors parallels the creative work of perfumery which combines hues in the form of fragrance notes.

The artist has dedicated one of the works in the show to the memory of his recently deceased mother, who had an unconditional love of perfume; and another to the memory of Conor McTeague whose passion for fragrance was only limited by the boundaries of his despondency.



Opening Reception: Friday, September 1, 6 - 8pm

Open hours can be found at artandolfaction.com/exhibitions

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IAO Gallery is accessible by wheelchair.
There is a one-inch cement lip at the entry
to the space.



ABOUT CHARLES ROSENERG



Charles Rosenberg is an artist working in Los Angeles.

He has had solo exhibitions at Pacific Design Center (Los Angeles), Nation (Seattle), Sylvia Heisel (New York) among other galleries, and has been included in group exhibitions at Peter Mendenhall Gallery, Frieze LA, Francois Ghebaly Gallery, the California African American Museum, Sandra Gering Gallery, Last Projects, Galerie Ascan Crone in Germany, and many more.

Rosenberg received his M.S. from Bastyr University and his B.F.A. at Rhode Island School of Design, where he was the recipient of the Pell Medal for Excellence in Art History.

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ABOUT IAO GALLERY

The Institute for Art and Olfaction's gallery is devoted to exhibitions, performances, installations and other expressions that make use of or engage with the medium of scent.

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