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Lisa Levine is a fine art photographer and educator, born and raised in Brooklyn, New York, who has worked in her Oakland studio for more than twenty-five years. In recent years she has been working on public art commissions, creating large-scale artworks for public spaces.

Solo Exhibitions

2026	Orchard Gallery, Oakland, CA — Lisa Levine
2025	ArtSpan, San Francisco, CA — Brightside
2023	Richmond Art Center, Richmond, CA — Enough Considered (with Anne Wolf)
2022	Dortort Center Gallery, UCLA, Los Angeles, CA — Speak Memory North Berkeley Wealth Management, Berkeley, CA — Buoyant (two-person show)
2019	Albany Community Center Art Gallery, Albany, CA — Song Cycle
2015	Rhythmix Cultural Center, Alameda, CA — Water (two-person show) Mountain View Center for the Performing Arts, Mountain View, CA — Counterpoint
2013	Metropolitan Transportation Commission, Oakland, CA — Crossing Over
2012	Rhythmix Cultural Center, Alameda, CA — Counterpoint
2011	Oakland Museum, Oakland, CA — Counterpoint PHOTO Gallery, Oakland, CA — Counterpoint
2009	Alameda Public Library, Alameda, CA — Topographies and Past Tense

Invitational Exhibitions

2025	Gray Loft Gallery, Oakland, CA — Align (6-person show)
2024	Jen Tough Gallery, Santa Fe, NM — Super Fresh ARC Gallery, San Francisco, CA — 48 Pillars
2023	Sanchez Art Center, Pacifica, CA — 50/50: 50 Works in 50 Days
2022	Jen Tough Gallery + Artsy — Above and Below
2021	ARC Gallery, San Francisco, CA — 48 Pillars Springboard Arts, Chicago, IL — Momentum Center for Fine Art Photography, Ft. Collins, CO — Altered Images
2019	Gray Loft Gallery, Oakland, CA — Blue
2018	Art San Diego / Jen Tough Gallery — Best in Show Award
2016	Jingletown Art Center, Oakland, CA — Forty Fridas
2015	Slate Gallery, Oakland, CA — Body Language (3-person show)
2014	CSU East Bay, University Art Gallery — Conceptual Photography Metropolitan Transportation Commission, Oakland, CA — Spanning the Bay
2013	David Brower Center, Berkeley, CA — Congregating 333 Bush Street Lobby Installation, San Francisco, CA

2012	Oakland Airport (Oakland Museum) — From the Golden Gate Bridge to Oakland Mills Building Lobby Installation, San Francisco, CA
2011	Kala Institute, Berkeley, CA — Fresh Work Academy of Art University Gallery, San Francisco, CA — Faculty Show Berkeley Civic Arts Center, Berkeley, CA Mills Building Gallery, San Francisco, CA SF Arts Commission Gallery, San Francisco, CA — You Look Familiar
2010	Louie Meager Gallery, Ohlone College — The Educated Eye CSU East Bay, University Art Gallery — Annual Faculty Exhibit

Selected Exhibitions

2023	Los Angeles Center for Photography — Personal Territory Amanda Smith Gallery, Johnson City, TX — Water Escondido Arts Partnership, Escondido, CA — Real or Not So Much
2022	Griffin Museum of Photography, Winchester, MA — Annual Exhibition
2020	de Young Museum, San Francisco, CA — Bay Area Artists
2015	LensCulture — Home
2014	ARC Gallery, San Francisco, CA — Four Square
2013	Dickerman Print, San Francisco, CA — New Residents
2012	Bedford Gallery, Walnut Creek, CA — Snap
2011	ARC Gallery, San Francisco, CA — Foto, Pushing Boundaries SF Arts Commission Gallery, San Francisco, CA — You Look Familiar
2010	Vermont Photo Space, Essex Junction, VT — Interactive Portraits

Grants, Awards, Residencies & Commissions

2025	Gensler Architecture — Large-scale exterior artwork Alameda County Art Commission — Fire Training Station, Awarded Commission Benioff Children's Hospital, Oakland, CA — Large-scale wallcovering UCSF/John Muir Surgery Center, Berkeley, CA — Two artworks in metal + wallcovering Kaiser Permanente, Berkeley, CA — Two large-scale artworks in metal
2023	Artrepreneur Collage Competition — Winner
2022	Harbor UCLA Replacement Program — Finalist
2020	Sevens Foundation — Genesis NFT Grant
2019	Alameda County Art Commission — Utility Box Project
2018	Art San Diego — Best in Show Award
2017	SF MUNI Bus Public Art Project — 8 artworks Alameda County Art Commission — Glass Public Art Project
2016	Texas Tech University — Finalist, mural project
2015	Northern Texas University, Denton, TX — Large-scale commission
2014	Texas Tech University, Lubbock, TX — Large-scale tile mural
2013	City of Atlanta Cultural Affairs Commission — Banner installation
2004–14	Artist-in-Residence, Kala Institute, Berkeley, CA

Publications & Media Coverage

2026	Photographique Magazine, Issue #003, Featured Artist of Merit
2023	Shout Out LA, Canvas Rebel Magazine, Amanda Smith Gallery Publication
2022	Feature Shoot, Indie Emergente Magazine, VoyageLA Magazine, Westart
2021	Artists of the Bay Area, Vol. 2; 48 Hills Magazine; ADF Photo
2020	Artnet News
2019	Pollux Award Gala Exhibition; Salann Magazine
2018	The Photo Review
2016	Academy of Art U News
2014	Shots Magazine; LensCulture Editor's Pick
2011	Lenscratch
2007	San Francisco Chronicle
2006	Like Sand from Orchid's Lips, TCB-Café Publishing

Teaching & Community Work

2008–20	Adjunct Faculty, Photography Dept., Academy of Art University, San Francisco
2000–10	Lecturer, Photography, CSU East Bay
2003–08	Adjunct Faculty, Photography, Ohlone College, Fremont, CA
2006–12	Adjunct Faculty, Photography, Solano College, Fairfield, CA

Education

1981	M.F.A. (Photography), CUNY–Brooklyn College (Teaching Assistantship)
1978	B.F.A. (Photography), School of Visual Arts, NYC

Permanent Collections

Alameda County Art Commission	UCSF Hospitals
Kala Institute	City of Mountain View
Berkeley Civic Arts Center	Charles Schwab
SF Public Utilities Commission	Lucille Packard Children's Hospital
City of Atlanta Cultural Affairs Commission	Benioff Children's Hospital and Others
Kaiser Permanente	

Representation

Springboard Arts (Chicago)	SLATE Gallery (Oakland)
SFMOMA Artist Gallery (San Francisco)	ARC Gallery (San Francisco)
Kala Institute Gallery (Berkeley)	Suzy Locke & Associates (Oakland)
Danielle Wohl Fine Art (Palo Alto)	Grigio Art Consultants (Sacramento)