

ARTIST BIO

Christian Lemmerz (b. 1959, Karlsruhe, Germany) lives and works in Copenhagen, Denmark.

Christian Lemmerz was trained at The Royal Danish Academy of Fine Arts in Denmark 1982-1986 and was a part of 'Værkstedet Værst' 1982-84 and 'Performancegruppen Værst' from 1985 onwards.

Christian Lemmerz' span is extensive and pluralistic. Regardless of the material, whether it be sculpture in marble or rigorous drawing, his works can generally be characterized as an aesthetic of effect. The artworks grasp out and clutch into the surroundings and call for more than merely contemplation.

There are only a few themes and taboos that are not turned upside down in the Lemmerzian universe, which stretches between phenomenological philosophy and focal points such as suffering and death.

Lemmerz has pointed out that art has to take effect in the manner of a provocative confrontation. However, as he maintains, art also has to do with experience. And sculptures are particularly suitable for establishing a confrontational and experience-exchanging situation. In such a situation, the sculpture connects with the perceiving body. Instead of being a distanced onlooker, the viewer becomes an active participant, who gets moved in one direction or another.

Lemmerz has exhibited in Denmark e.g. at ARoS, Statens Museum for Kunst and in Cisternerne and widely abroad, e.g. Stavanger Art Museum, Norway and Leo Koenig Inc., New York, USA.



ARTIST CV

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SELECTED SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- 2025 *Medea*, Hans Alf Gallery, Copenhagen, Denmark
- 2023 *Works 22/23*, Hans Alf Gallery, Copenhagen, Denmark
- 2022 *Krieg*, Hans Alf Gallery, Copenhagen, Denmark
- 2021 *20/21*, Hans Alf Gallery, Copenhagen, Denmark
The Last of Us, Faurshou Foundation, New York, USA
- 2020 *URIEL*, Hans Alf Gallery, Copenhagen, Denmark
- 2019 *Eyscape*, Copenhagen Contemporary, Copenhagen, Denmark
- 2018 *Not I*, Tang Contemporary Art, Hong Kong
Reality Virtual Reality, Museum der bildenden Künste Leipzig, Germany
- 2017 *The Night is Large*, Hans Alf Gallery, Copenhagen, Denmark
Virtual Reality Art, Faurshou Beijing, China
Lust, Randers Art Museum, Denmark
- 2015 *Limbo*, Hans Alf Gallery, Copenhagen, Denmark
- 2014 *Andante*, Cisternerne, Copenhagen, Denmark
- 2013 *Eine Gruppenausstellung*, Horsens Art Museum, Denmark
Pseudoskral, Galleri Franz Pedersen, Denmark
Angst, Galleri Brandstrup, Oslo
- 2012 *Resurrection*, Space of Drawings, Copenhagen
- 2011 *Inferno*, Stavanger Art Museum, Norway
- 2010 *Genfærd/Ghost*, ARoS, Aarhus Art Museum, Denmark
Inferno, Galleri Brandstrup, Oslo
- 2009 *Largo*, Statens Museum for Kunst, Copenhagen, Denmark
- 2007 *City of God*, Horsens Art Museum, Denmark
The Omen, Leo Koenig Inc., New York, USA
- 2006 *God*, Galleri Faurshou, København, Denmark
- 2005 *A.l.l.t.a.g.*, Ålborg Kunstforening, Denmark
- 2004 *Dopo La Storia*, Horsens Kunstmuseum, Horsens, Denmark
- 2003 *Dopo La Storia*, DCA Gallery, New York, USA
Rio, Galleri Faurshou, Denmark
- 2002 *The Wake*, DCA Gallery, New York, USA
- 2001 *The White of The Eye*, Kunstforeningen Gammel Strand, Denmark
- 2000 *Cogito (auch)*, Galleri Franz Pedersen, Horsens, Denmark
Copycat, Galleri Faurshou, Copenhagen, Denmark
- 1999 *GODDOG*, DCA Gallery, New York, USA
- 1998 *Palimpsest*, DCA Gallery, New York, USA
- 1997 *Dopo La Storia II*, MUHKA, Antwerp, Belgium
Dopo La Storia, Galleri Faurshou, Copenhagen, Denmark
Dialouge, The Power Plant, Toronto, Canada
- 1996 *Holy Spirit*, The 23rd international Biennial of Sao Paulo, Brazil
- 1995 *Dio Cane*, Galleri Faurshou, Copenhagen, Denmark
- 1994 *Scene*, Esbjerg Kunstmuseum, Esbjerg, Denmark

- Red Room*, Franz Pedersen Kunsthandel, Horsens, Denmark
Anatomi, Den Kongelige danske Kobberstiksamling på Statens Museum for Kunst, Copenhagen, Denmark
White Shadow, DCA Gallery, New York, USA
- 1993 *Abfall*, Vestsjællands Kunstmuseum, Sorø, Denmark
Geschlecht, Galleri Faurschou, Copenhagen, Denmark
Lichtfall, Espace Enface, Bruxelles, Belgium
Lebernebel, Art Cologne, Cologne, Germany
- 1992 *New Works*, Franz Pedersen Kunsthandel, Horsens, Denmark
- 1991 *Limbo*, Horsens Kunstmuseum, Horsens, Denmark
Der Zwilling, Kunstforeningen af 1990, Copenhagen, Denmark
- 1989 *Melancholia*, Galleri Prag, Copenhagen, Denmark
- 1988 *Wiederaufbereitung*, London Bar, Barcelona, Spain
Kathasis, Galleri Prag, Copenhagen, Denmark
Psyke, Galleri Specta, Aarhus, Denmark
Skrevet i Vand (Written in Water), Aarhus Kunstmuseum Århus, Denmark
London Bar (w. Erik A. Frandsen), Barcelona, Spain
- 1987 *Afasi*, Galleri Prag, Copenhagen, Denmark
Das Schweigen, Køge Skitsesamling, Køge, Denmark
Requiem, Horsens Kunstmuseum, Horsens, Denmark
- 1986 *La scultura moderna é sempre bella*, Galleri Specta, Århus, Denmark
- 1985 *Tegneserie* (w. Michael Kvium), Galleri Basilisk, Copenhagen, Denmark
Værst (w. Michael Kvium), HVOR, Copenhagen, Denmark
- 1984 *Scenes principales* (w. Kirsten Langkilde), Galleri Sub-Set, Copenhagen, Denmark
Codelia (w. Erik A. Frandsen), Tranegården, Gentofte, Denmark

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2021 ENTER Art Fair, Hans Alf Gallery, Copenhagen, Denmark
- 2020 *The Great Big Winter Show*, Hans Alf Gallery, Copenhagen, Denmark
Christian Lemmerz&Norbert Tadeusz, Horsens Art Museum, Horsens, Denmark
The Quarantine Show, Hans Alf Gallery, Copenhagen, Denmark
Duo Solo Exhibition of Michael Kvium & Christian Lemmerz, Tang Contemporary Art, Bangkok, China
ENTER Art Fair, Hans Alf Gallery, Copenhagen, Denmark
Art Herning, Hans Alf Gallery, Herning, Denmark
- 2019 ENTER Art Fair, Hans Alf Gallery, Copenhagen, Denmark
Art Herning, Hans Alf Gallery, Herning, Denmark
- 2018 CODE Art Fair, Hans Alf Gallery, Copenhagen, Denmark
Darkest Before Dawn, Nordic Contemporary, Paris, France
Carl Nielsen og Anne Marie Carl Nielsens legat, Den Frie, Copenhagen
- 2017 CC:LAB Virtual Reality, Copenhagen Contemporary, Copenhagen, Denmark
TESER, Fuglsang Art Museum, The Museum of Religious Art, Lemvig, Denmark +
Stiftung Christliche Kunst in Wittenberg, Germany
- 2016 *Célébration*, Ringsted Galleriet, Ringsted, Denmark
The Continual Condition, Hans Alf Gallery, Copenhagen, Denmark
- 2014 *Fluid Flesh*, Nordic Contemporary, Paris, France
Masterpieces, Gallerie Wolfsen, Denmark
Et Brask Sprak, Munkephus, Denmark

- Nocturne, Sydhavn Station, Denmark
 Drømmeland, KUNSTEN, Aalborg, Denmark
 Portraits of God, Hans Alf Gallery, Copenhagen, Denmark
 OMHANDLING!, Gallery Poulsen, Copenhagen, Denmark
 2013 What am I Doing Here?, Esbjerg Art Museum, Denmark
 Director´s Choice 7-9-13, ARoS, Denmark
 Every Day Matters, Faurschou Foundation, Denmark
 Den hvide udstilling, Horsens kunstmuseum, Denmark
 2012 Rock – Paper – Scissors, LARM Galleri, Copenhagen
 Alpha-Beta-Gamma, BKS Garage, Copenhagen
 Lys over Lolland, Lolland, Denmark
 Dengang i 80'erne, Horsens Art Museum, Denmark.
 Wonders- Masterpieces from Private Collections in Denmark, KUNSTEN, Aalborg, Denmark
 2011 Sjælens Spejl, Naturfølelsen i Dansk kunst. Holstebro Art Museum, Denmark
 Zartbitter, E105, Berlin, Germany
 2010 Det' vores kunst, KØS, Museum of Art in Public Spaces, Denmark
 Connexions, Esbjerg Art Museum, Denmark
 Skulpturparken Veksølund, Denmark
 Tilløb til rum, Clausens Kunsthandel, Denmark
 2009 Kontrapunkt, Esbjerg Kunstmuseum, Denmark
 2008 Jesus Crisis (w. Michael Kvium), Galleri Brandstrup, Norway
 Ruin-Vision, Vejle kunstmuseum, Denmark
 Kunsten bag Tremmer, Kunstmuseet Køge Skitsesamling, Denmark
 2007 POPcentric, Gering & Lopez Gallery, New York, USA
 Trace, Esbjerg Art Museum, Esbjerg, Denmark
 Sculpture: from Thorvaldsen to Lemmerz, Vestsjælland Art Museum, Sorø, Denmark
 2006 Ridykeulous, Participant, New York, USA
 2005 Self Preservation Society, Leo Koenig Gallery, New York, USA
 Fairy Tales Forever – a contribution to H.C. Andersen, ARoS, Denmark
 Lemmerz, Kvium, Frandsen, Galleri Brandstrup, Oslo, Norge
 Sculptures, Veksølund, Denmark
 2004 KLF, DCA Gallery, New York, USA
 Hvid Marmor, Thorvaldsens Museum, Copenhagen, Denmark
 Clinch, Statens Museum for Kunst, Copenhagen, Denmark
 2003 Decembristerne, Den Frie udstillingsbygning, Copenhagen
 2002 Den Haag Sculptuur 2002 / The Hague Sculpture 2002: Europe's Image, Myth & Religion, Den Haag, The Netherlands
 Socle du Monde, Herning Kunstmuseum, Herning, Denmark
 2001 Christian Lemmerz, Ingvar Cronhammer og Peter Laugesen, Nordjyllands Kunstmuseum, Denmark
 2000 Mennesket, Arken Museum for Moderne Kunst, Ishøj, Denmark
 Solutus, Per Kirkeby, Christian Lemmerz, Bruce Nauman, Carl Pope, Marc Quinn, Jenny Saville, Mark Tansey, Galleri Faurschou, Copenhagen, Denmark
 Eyegoblack, Pinacoteca do Estado de Sao Paulo, Brasil; Den 7. Internationale Biennale, Havanna, Cuba; Museo Nacional de Bellas Artes, Buenos Aires; Museo de Arte Contemporaneo, Chile; Trapholt Museum of Modern Art, Denmark
 1999 Inderlighedens Spil (Christian Lemmerz, Marina Abramovic, Iver Joks, Erik Pisani, Christian Partus, Andreas Serrano, Line Vagaard, Shirin Neshat & Anders

- Serrano), Lillehammer Art Museum, Lillehammer, Norway
- 1998 Janine Antoni, Wim Delvoye, Christian Lemmerz, Zbigniew Libera, Marc Quinn, Galleri Faurshou, Copenhagen, Denmark
- 1997 *The Louisiana exhibition 1997*, Louisiana Museum of Modern Art, Humlebæk, Denmark
Kropsnær, Heine Onstad Kunstcenter, Oslo, Norway; Alvar Aalto Museo, Jyväskylä, Finland; Vestsjællands Kunstmuseum, Sorø, Denmark; Kyarvalsstadir, Reykjavik, Iceland
- 1996 Kropsnær, Norrköping Kunstmuseum, Norrköping, Sweden
Statens Museum for Kunst besøger Charlottenborg, Charlottenborg, Copenhagen, Denmark
Skønheden og dyret, Brandts Klædefabrik; Fyns Kunstmuseum, Odense, Denmark
Den surreelle skulptur fra 1930'erne til i dag, Nordjyllands Kunstmuseum, Ålborg, Denmark
Metamorfosen (w. Ingvar Cronhammar & Niels Hansen Jacobsen), Herning Kunstmuseum, Herning, Denmark
Krop - det nøgne menneske, Århus Kunstmuseum, Århus, Denmark
Ska' det være skulptur, Horsens Kunstmuseum, Horsens, Denmark
KLF (w. Michael Kvium & Erik A. Frandsen), Arken Museum of Modern Art, Denmark
- 1995 *Welfare*, Galerie du Temple, Paris, France; Stockholm Art Fair, Stockholm, Sweden
- 1994 *Works on paper*, Galleri Faurshou, Copenhagen, Denmark
Art Copenhagen, Galleri Faurshou, Copenhagen, Denmark
FIAC, Galleri Faurshou, Paris, France
Art Cologne, Galleri Faurshou, Cologne, Germany
- 1993 *Inferno*, Statens Museum for Kunst, Copenhagen, Denmark
FIAC, Galleri Faurshou, Paris, France
- 1992 *Kronen på Værket*, Art in Town, Copenhagen, Denmark
Spejlbilleder, Det Nationalhistoriske museum på Frederiksborg, Denmark
- 1988 *Ateliers en liberte: 17 artistes danois*, Foundation Cartier, Paris, France
Galleri F15 (w. Erik A. Frandsen, Peter Bonde and Claus Carstensen), Moss, Norway
Galleri Specta, Aarhus, Denmark
- 1987 *De danske Vilde (The Wild Danish)*, Nordens Hus, Reykjavik, Iceland; Nordens Hus, Faroe Islands
Skulpturens tid, Sophienholm, Denmark
- 1986 *William H. Michaelsen's Tegnelegat*, Den Kongelige Danske Kobberstiksamling på Statens Museum for Kunst, Copenhagen, Denmark
Limelight, Charlottenborg, Denmark
Vild med kunst, Aarhus Kunstmuseum, Århus, Denmark
- 1985 *Ung dansk kunst*, Unge kunstneres samfund, Oslo, Norway
Ler-etuder I, Eks-Skolens Forlag, Copenhagen, Denmark
Ler-etuder II, Horsens Kunstmuseum, Denmark
Ler-etuder III, Galleri Specta, Århus, Denmark
Man skal ikke altid give folk en hjælpende hånd, Vesterbrogade, Copenhagen, Denmark
- 1984 *Xeroxgrafi*, Kastrupgaardssamlingen, Kastrup, Denmark
Gud og Gramatik, Charlottenborg, Copenhagen, Denmark
De danske, Kulturhuset, Stockholm, Sweden
Skulptur Nu, Århus Kunstbygning, Århus, Denmark

- 1983 *Grevinde Danner billeder/billeder fra det tabte paradys*, Værkstedet Værst, Copenhagen, Denmark
Græsset malker koens ben, Værkstedet Værst, Copenhagen, Denmark
Furious, Skaanska Konstmuseum, Lund, Sweden
Fantasiens Tømmermænd, Charlottenborg, Copenhagen, Denmark
- 1982 *Der Ring des Niebelungen*, Værkstedet Værst, Copenhagen, Denmark

SELECTED COMMISSIONS

- 2018 SOS, Danish Ministry of Culture, Copenhagen Light Festival
- 2017 *Lazarus*, Commission for Ny Carlsbergfondet at Bispebjerg Hospital
Silence, Memorial for policemen killed on duty. Carrara marble, Danish Police headquarter.
Dark Rain, Commission of 280 square meter ceiling painting at Bestseller Store Romerhus in Aarhus, Denmark.
- 2013 *Todesfigur*, donated by Architect Henning Larsen, Ny Carlsberg Glyptotek, Denmark
- 2012-13 *Altar*, crucifix and window. Marble, bronze and gold leaf, Lyngby Church, Denmark
- 2010-13 *Paradiso*, private commission. Marble and bronze, Vejle, Denmark
- 2008 *Madonna (Darfur)*, Søndergade in Horsens, Denmark
- 2006 *Jailbird*, State Prison Østjylland, Denmark
- 2000 *Adam-Kadmon*, Pustervig Torv, Aarhus, Denmark

SELECTED PUBLIC COLLECTIONS

- Esbjerg Kunstmuseum, Esbjerg, Denmark
Horsens Kunstmuseum, Horsens, Denmark
Department of Prints and Drawings, National Gallery of Art, Copenhagen, Denmark
Køge Skitsesamling, Køge, Denmark
Det Nationalhistoriske Museum på Frederiksborg, Hillerød, Denmark
The Saatchi Collection, London, Great Britain
Statens Museum for Kunst, Copenhagen, Denmark
Vestsjællands Kunstmuseum, Sorø, Denmark
ARoS, Aarhus Kunstmuseum, Århus, Denmark
Randers Kunstmuseum, Randers, Denmark
Herning Kunstmuseum, Herning, Denmark
Saxo Collection, Denmark
Stavanger Art Museum, Norway

GRANTS

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| 2018 | Carl Nielsen og Anne Marie Carl Niensens legat |
| 2010 | Livsvarig ydelse, Statens Kunstfond |
| 2009 | Thorvaldsen Medallion |
| 1998 | Eckersberg Medaillen |
| 1987 | Arthur Købke legatet Hafnia rejselegat Irgens Berghs kunstlegat |
| 1986 | Michaelsens tegnerlegat |