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Suzette Wearne embroiders portraits as a way of working through a morass of difficult ideas about womanhood, what we hide and what we reveal of ourselves, about inter-generational trauma and a bunch of other first world problems. An almost compulsive stitching practice keeps her hands busy and her mind at peace.

This body of work, which began in lockdown during the COVID-19 pandemic, sees the artist focused on the late Diana, Princess of Wales. Inspired by a selection of photos from Britain's tabloid press, these works respond to a figure who was as beloved by the public for her outward glamour as she was condemned by the establishment and by herself. As Margaret Robson Kett observes 'to work portraits of Diana in fibre and buttons is beautifully apposite: she became a clothes horse who literally wore herself to a thread.'

The intentionally ambiguous title of the exhibition is an acronym for the viewer's interpretation. *BPD*'s laboriously made portraits present ideas about surface-tension, about adoration and self-loathing, and about Wearne's undying belief in the expressive potential of the button.

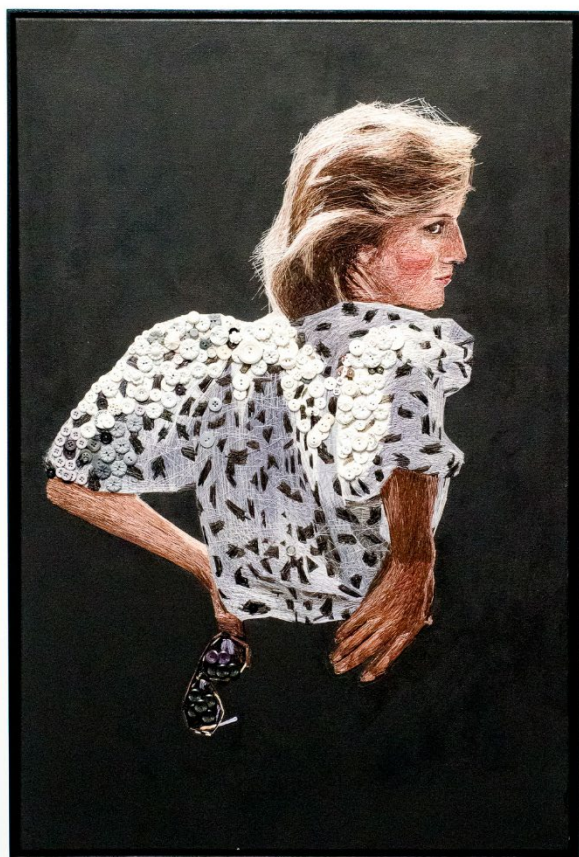
**Suzette Wearne**

26 July 1981, 2023-24

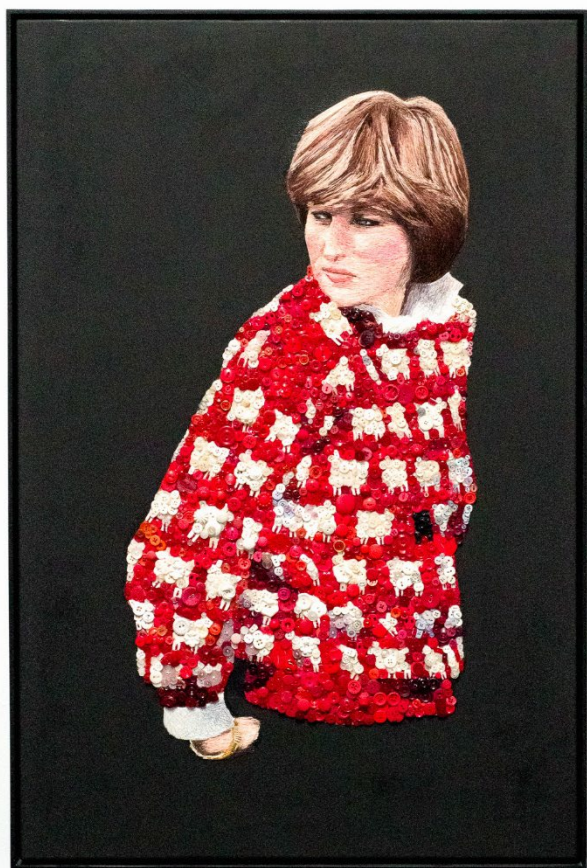
embroidery thread, buttons and acrylic paint on canvas, framed

76 x 50 cm

\$ 2,400.00



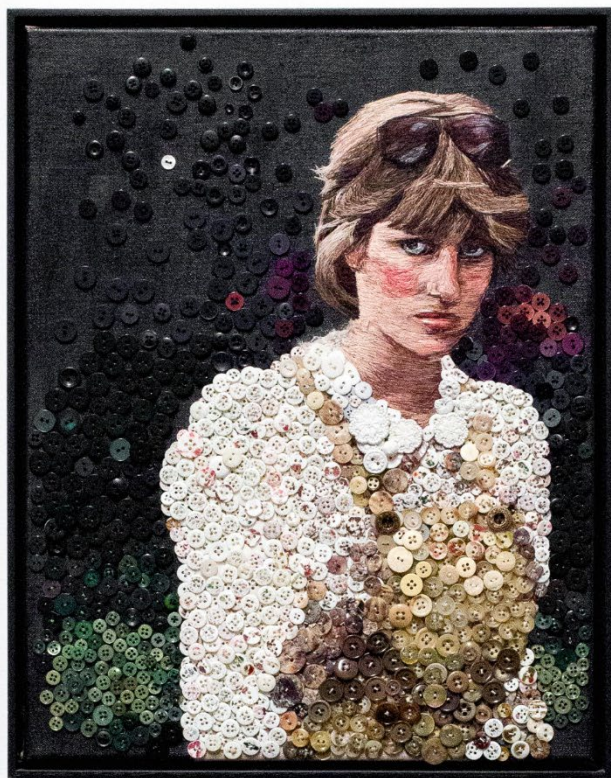
Suzette Wearne
June 1983, 2023-24
embroidery thread, buttons and acrylic paint on canvas, framed
93.5 x 63 cm
\$ 3,300.00

**Suzette Wearne***June 1981, 2021-22*

embroidery thread, buttons and acrylic paint on canvas, framed

93.5 x 63 cm

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Suzette Wearne

July 1981, 2022-23

embroidery thread, buttons and acrylic paint on canvas, framed

47.5 x 37 cm

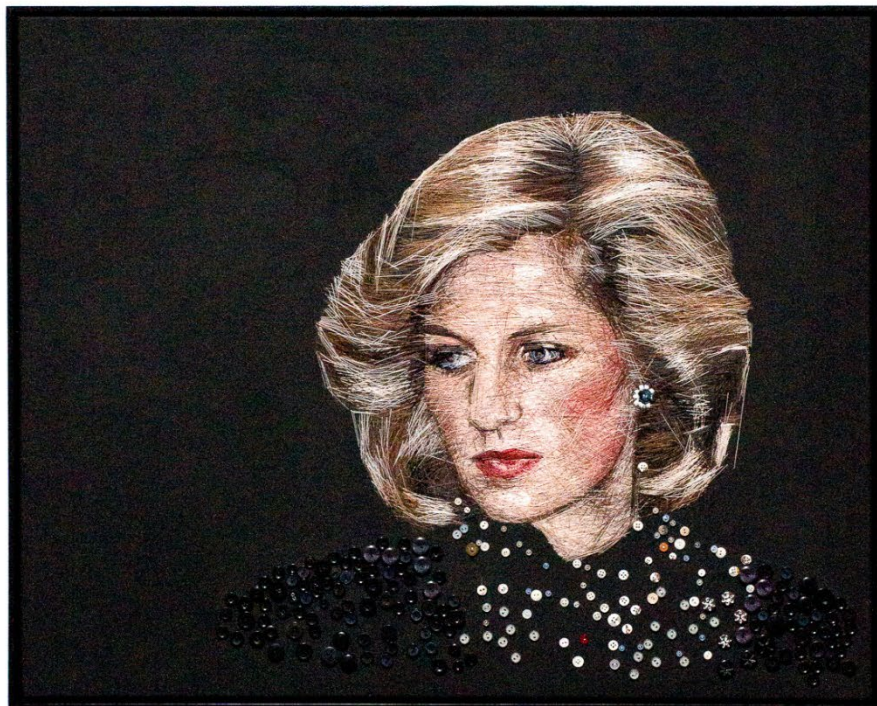
\$ 1,900.00



Suzette Wearne
1980, 2023-24
embroidery thread, buttons and acrylic paint on canvas, framed
47.5 x 37.5 cm
\$ 1,900.00



Suzette Wearne
20 June 1985, 2022-23
embroidery thread, buttons and acrylic paint on canvas, framed
62.5 x 93.5 cm
\$ 3,300.00



Suzette Wearne
21 May 1984, 2023-25
embroidery thread, buttons and acrylic paint on canvas, framed
63 x 78.3 cm
\$ 3,300.00



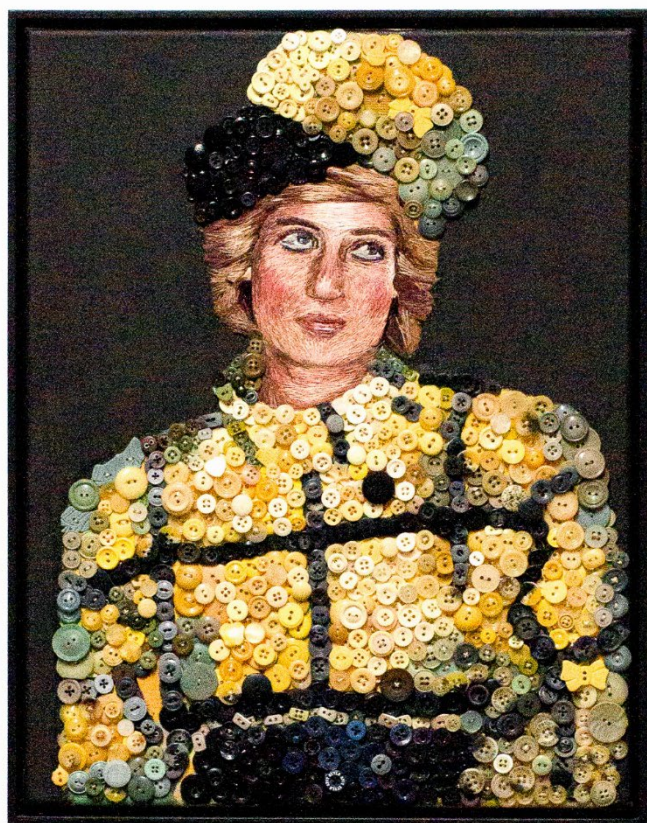
Suzette Wearne

5 November 1995, 2022

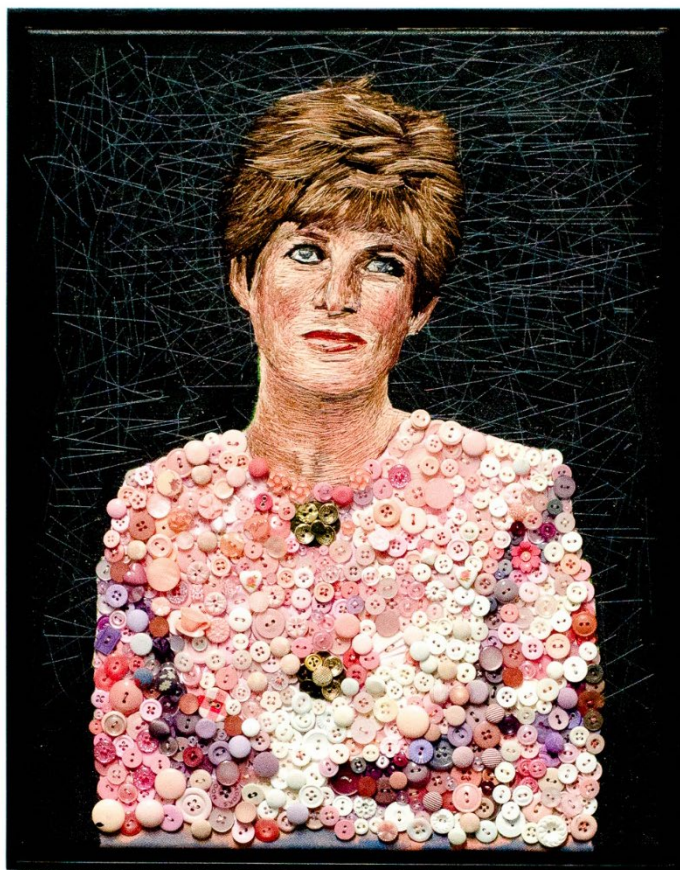
buttons, thread and acrylic paint on canvas, framed

43 x 43 cm

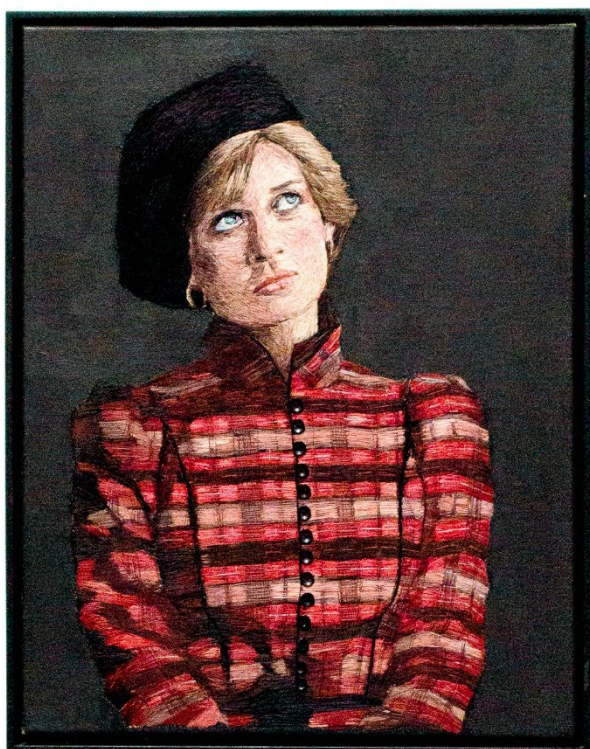
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Suzette Wearne
25 December 1987, 2022-23
embroidery thread, buttons and acrylic paint on canvas, framed
47.5 x 37.5 cm
\$ 1,900.00



Suzette Wearne
25 October 1991, 2022-23
embroidery thread, buttons and acrylic paint on canvas, framed
47.5 x 37.5 cm
\$ 1,900.00



Suzette Wearne

5 September 1981, 2021-22

embroidery thread, buttons and acrylic paint on canvas, framed

47.5 x 37.5 cm

\$ 1,900.00



Suzette Wearne

1967, 2021

buttons, thread and acrylic paint on canvas, framed

43 x 43 cm

\$ 1,800.00



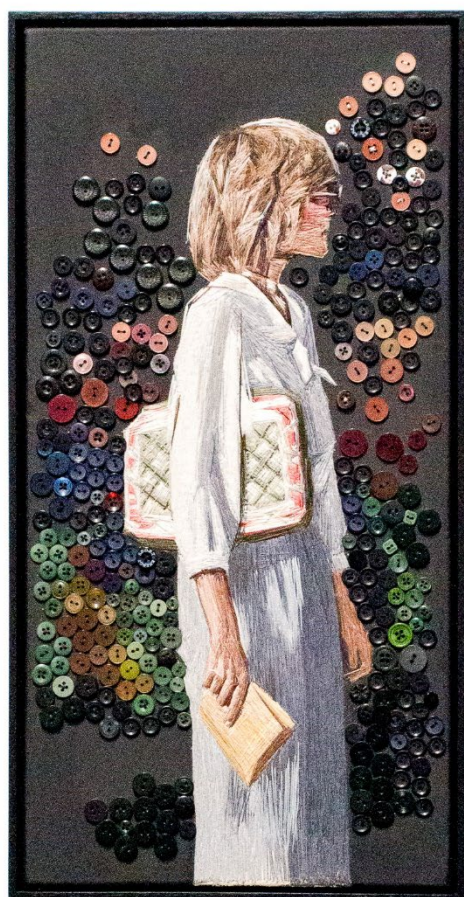
Suzette Wearne

c. 1967, 2022

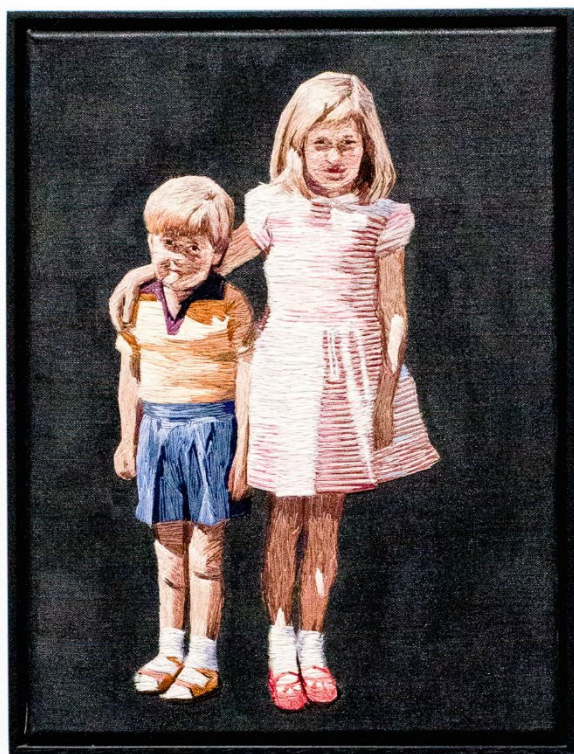
embroidery thread and acrylic paint on canvas, framed

47.5 x 37.5 cm

\$ 1,700.00



Suzette Wearne
29 July 1983, 2023-25
embroidery thread, buttons and acrylic paint on canvas, framed
52.5 x 27 cm
\$ 1,500.00



Suzette Wearne
1967, 2022-23
embroidery thread and acrylic paint on canvas, framed
42.5 x 32.5 cm
\$ 1,700.00