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Sacramento--To call it intriguing is, quite simply, to not do it justice: 200 terra cotta soldiers, standing four feet tall, shoulder to shoulder, hoisting enormous nuclear bombs with infants inside. It's called Site 2801, a futuristic look at the lessons man may **not** have learned by the year 2801.

This powerful exhibit, opening at the Crocker Art Museum Saturday, March 10, is the creation of world-renowned artist and Sacramento area resident Gong Yuebin. Gong is known for creating works of art with recurring themes of life and death, past and future, reality versus the absurd. He is also the first local Chinese contemporary artist to have an exhibition at the Crocker, something first made possible with...

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Chinese contemporary artist to have an exhibition at the Crocker, something for which he feels quite fortunate. "Local artists rarely have a chance to exhibit at the Crocker," Gong says. "I am honored to be able to continue my passion to explore my beloved topic: human life and nature, its current state and its future."

Gong's background is as fascinating as his art. He experienced tremendous adversity when he was young; his childhood was filled with persecution and physical hardship. As an adult, he knew he wanted to be an artist and he received a graduate degree from Guangzhou Art University. He left a successful career as an art editor at a television and radio station when he immigrated to the United States in 2004 due to a medical crisis. Today he works at his midtown studio and lives in the Sacramento area with his family.

This archeological dig of the future, while not a political statement, is drawing the attention of national, state and city leaders.

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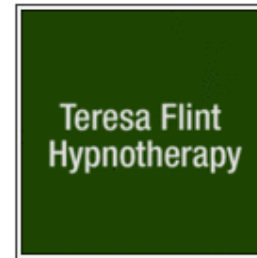
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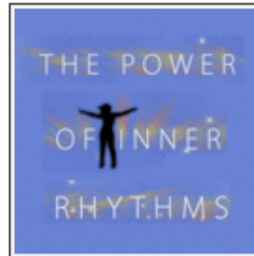
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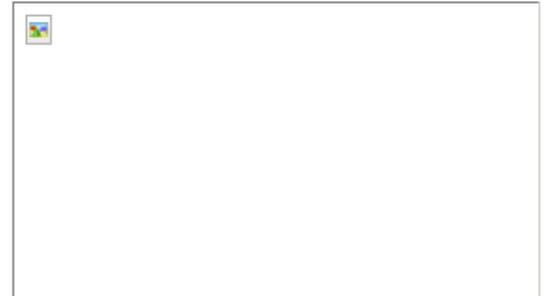
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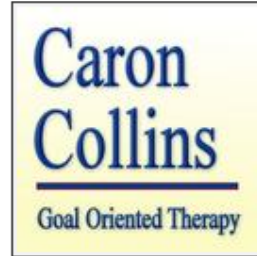


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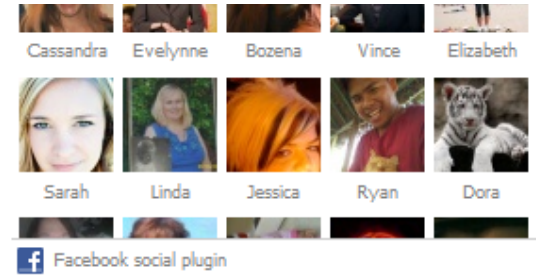


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