

CALIFORNIA STATE FAIR

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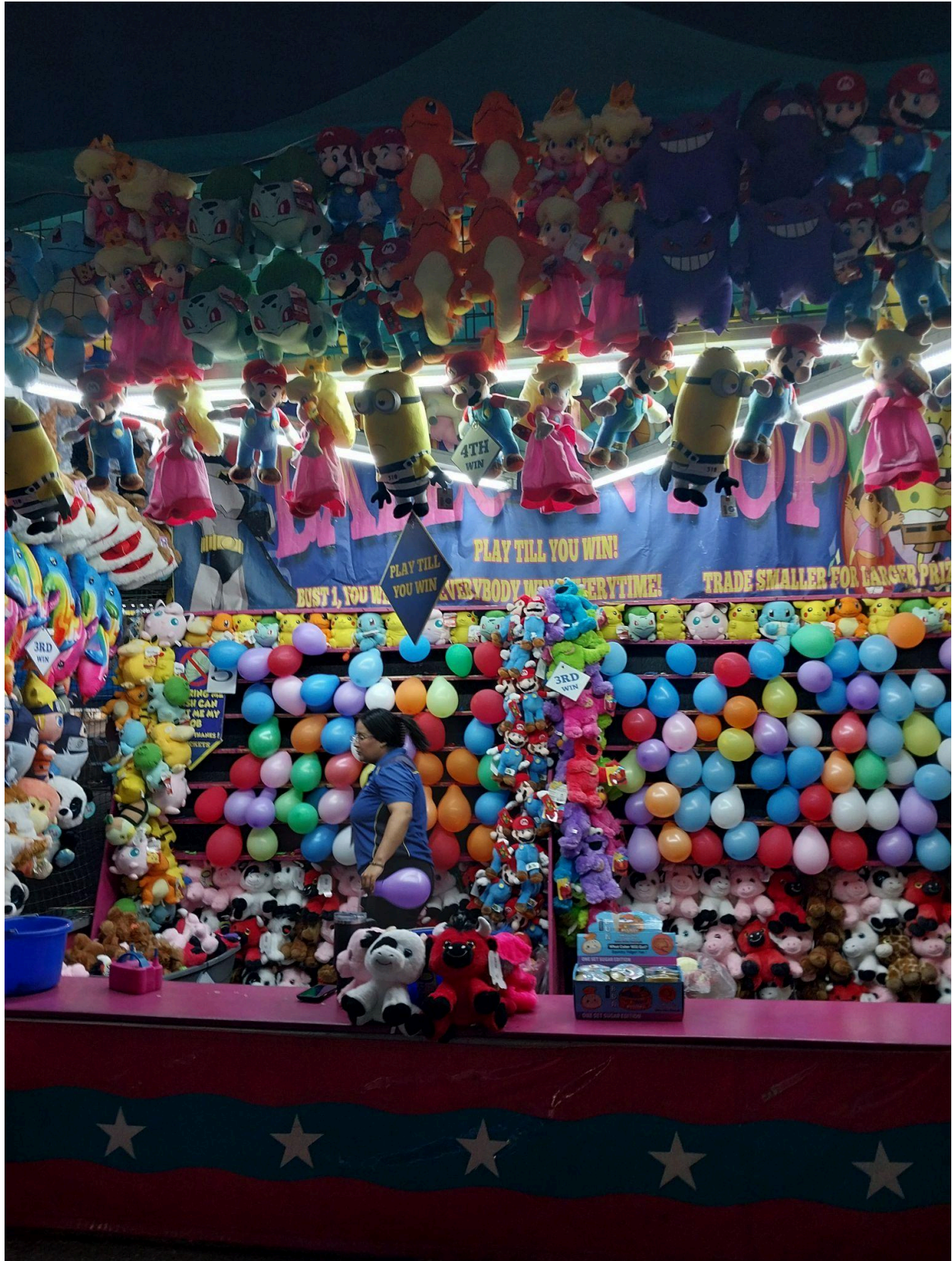






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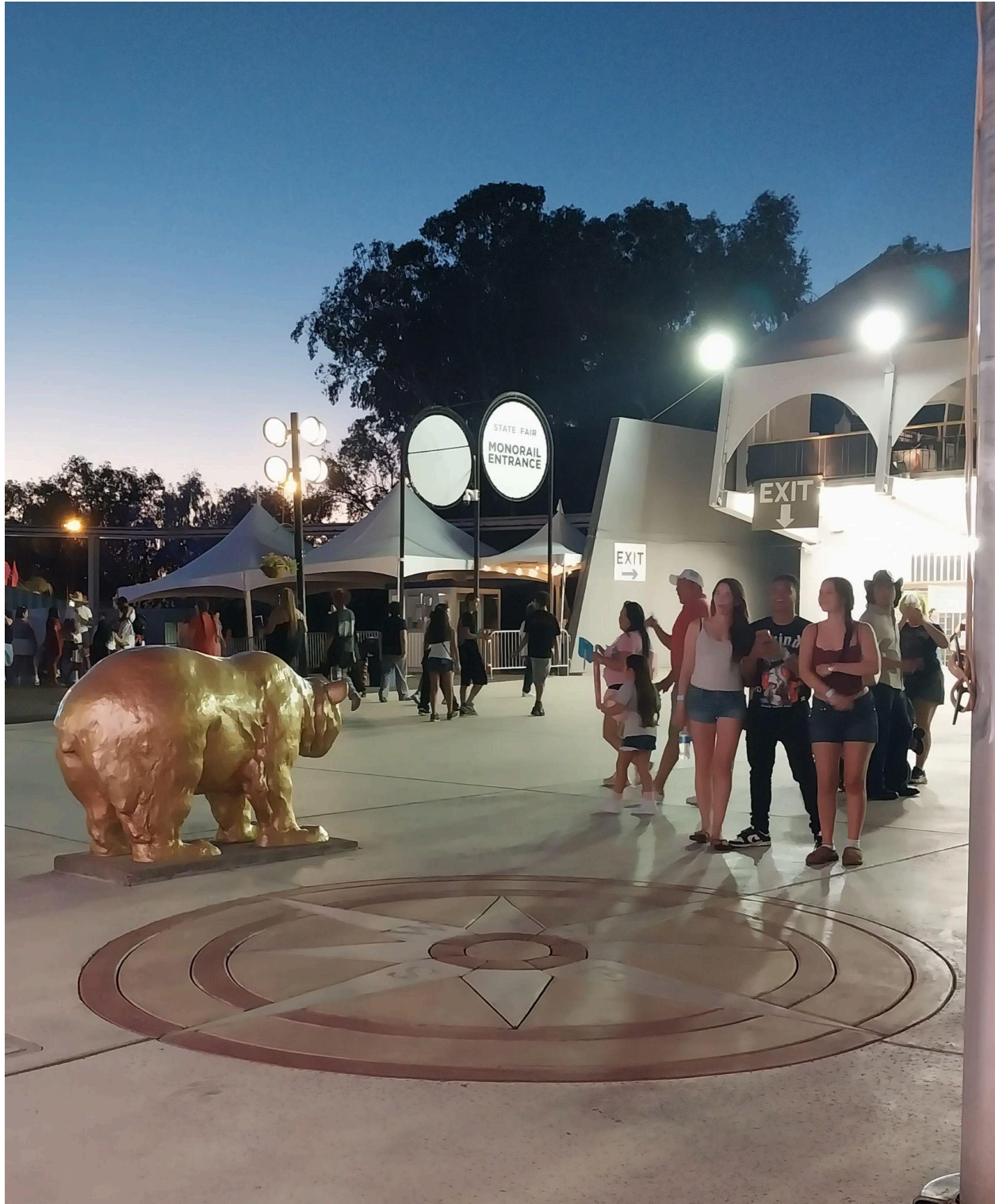


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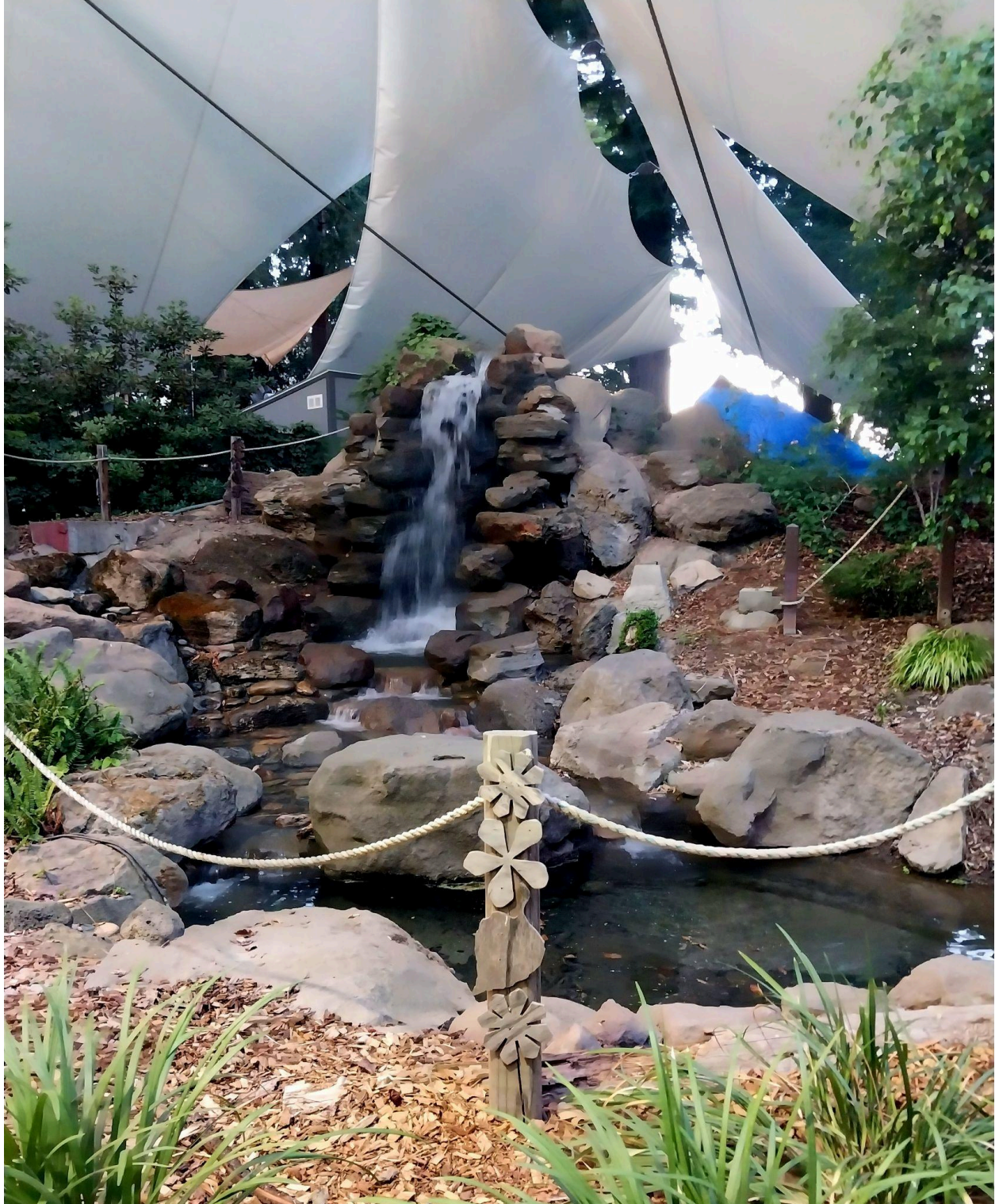


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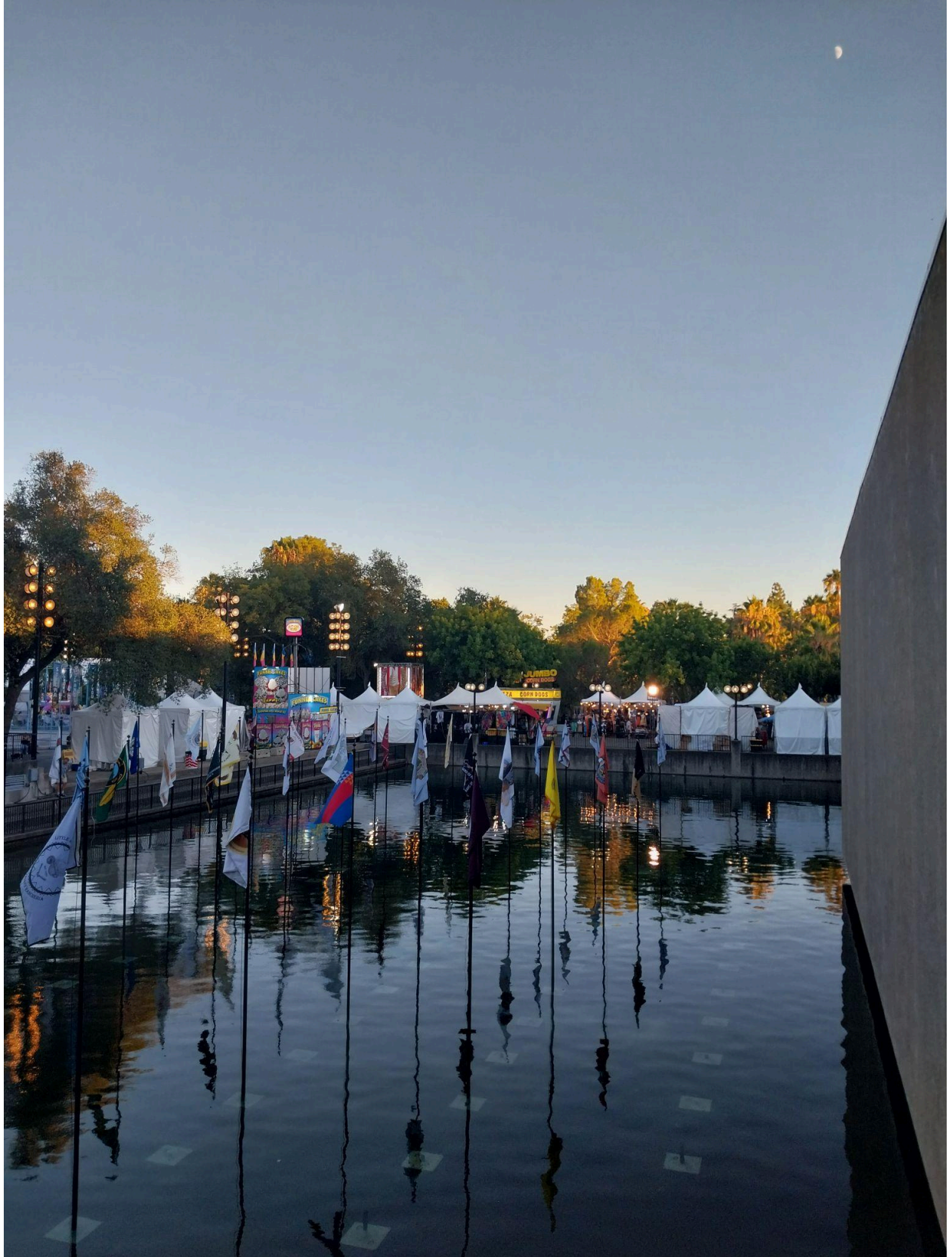


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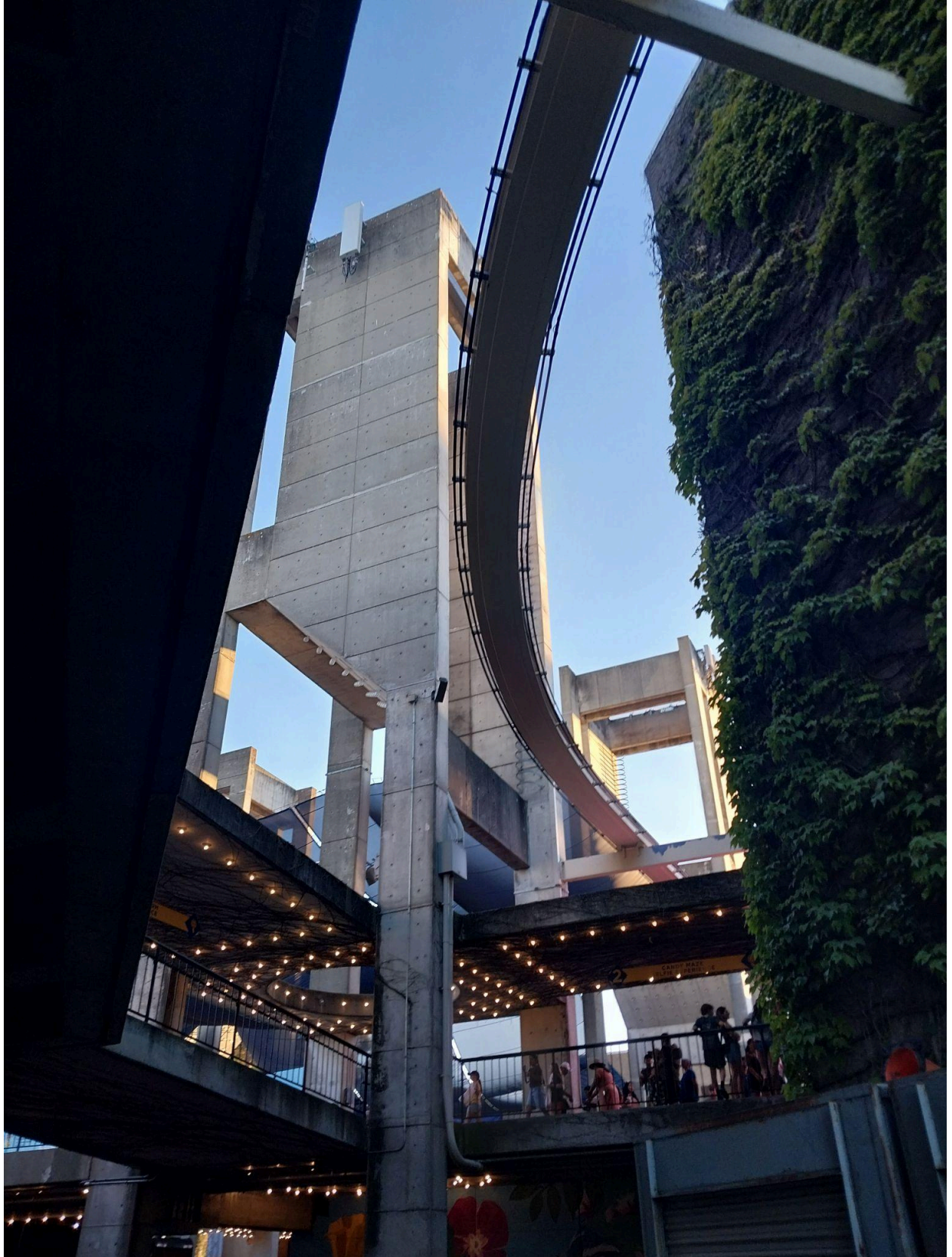








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In Memoriam-

The artists featured have passed on but left an important legacy that impacted generations of other Native artists.

Frank Day, Maidu

A gifted storyteller and teacher, Day translated the Maidu perception of the world into colorful narrative images. His symbolic and imaginative paintings were created from memory rather than observation.

David Ipina, Yurok

A well-known multimedia artist, writer, and poet from the Sacramento region, Ipina was widely respected in the Californian Native American community for his advocacy and iconic quote: "Mother Earth is not a resource, she is an heirloom."

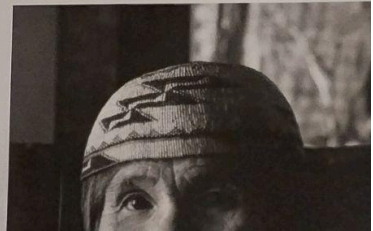
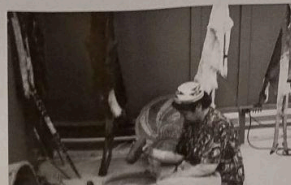
Dugan Aguilar, Mountain Maidu/Pit River/Walker River Paiute

Aguilar's photos defy the romanticized and melodramatic images by which Native people are often depicted. Ranging from portraits of military veterans, basket makers, and dancers to meditative landscapes, Aguilar's work documented, and continues to contribute to the perseverance and renewal of Native California's living, vibrant cultures.

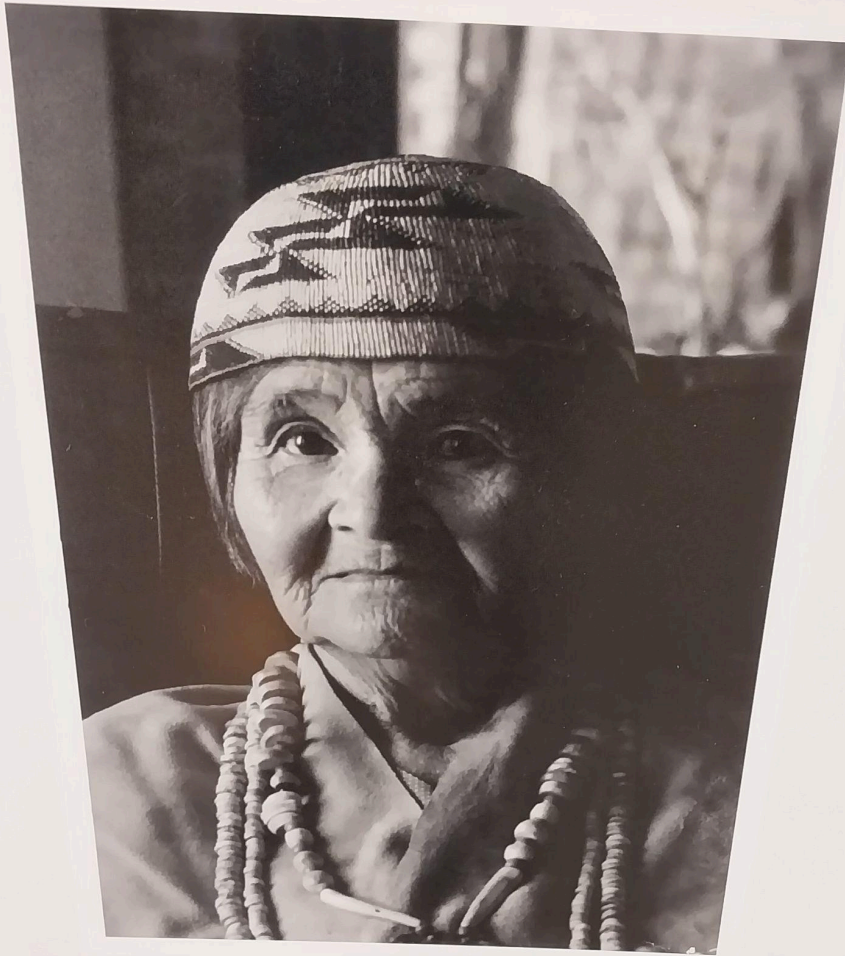
Tyrone Aaron Douglas, Pomo

Douglas attended the American Indian Art Institute (AIAI) in Santa Fe, New Mexico, where he earned his degree in Fine Arts. Art was Tyrone's life and his wall-sized paintings of Pomo dancers and regalia that came to life and became his signature piece in his art.

E POTTS, MOUNTAIN MAIDU







Marie Potts (1895-1978)
California State Fair Curator













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MAZES & LABYRINTHS

Labyrinth Designs

It is said the labyrinth is the oldest image created by man that does not duplicate anything in nature. Labyrinths are thousands of years old and were created by many ancient cultures. They were carved into stone, minted on coins, woven into textiles, and painted on pottery. They were laid out for walking using rocks, turf, tiles, and brick.

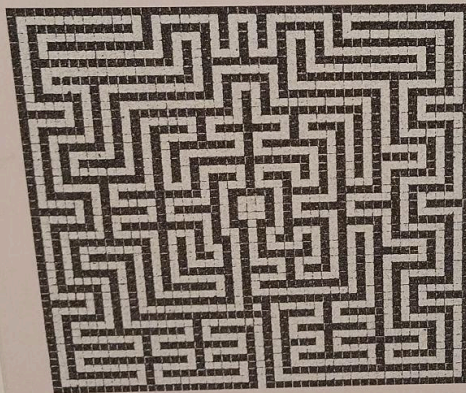
Labyrinths were used for decoration, rituals, dancing, meditation, and religious ceremonies. They are still enjoyed today. Here are some examples.



Cretan Labyrinth



Chartres Labyrinth, France



Roman Tile Labyrinth



Man in the Maze
Native American



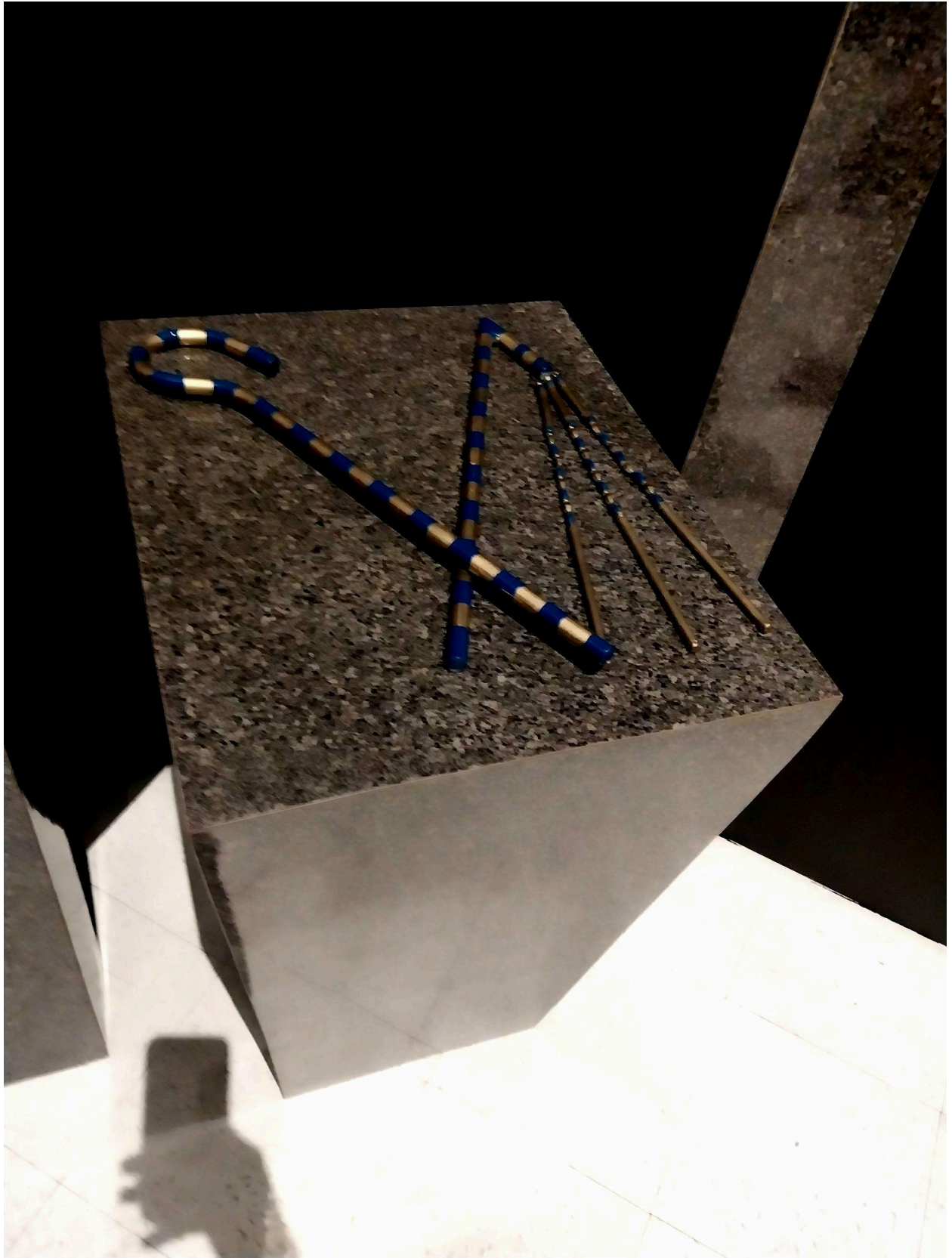




FUN WITH LABYRINTHS



From the outside to the center and back out again.







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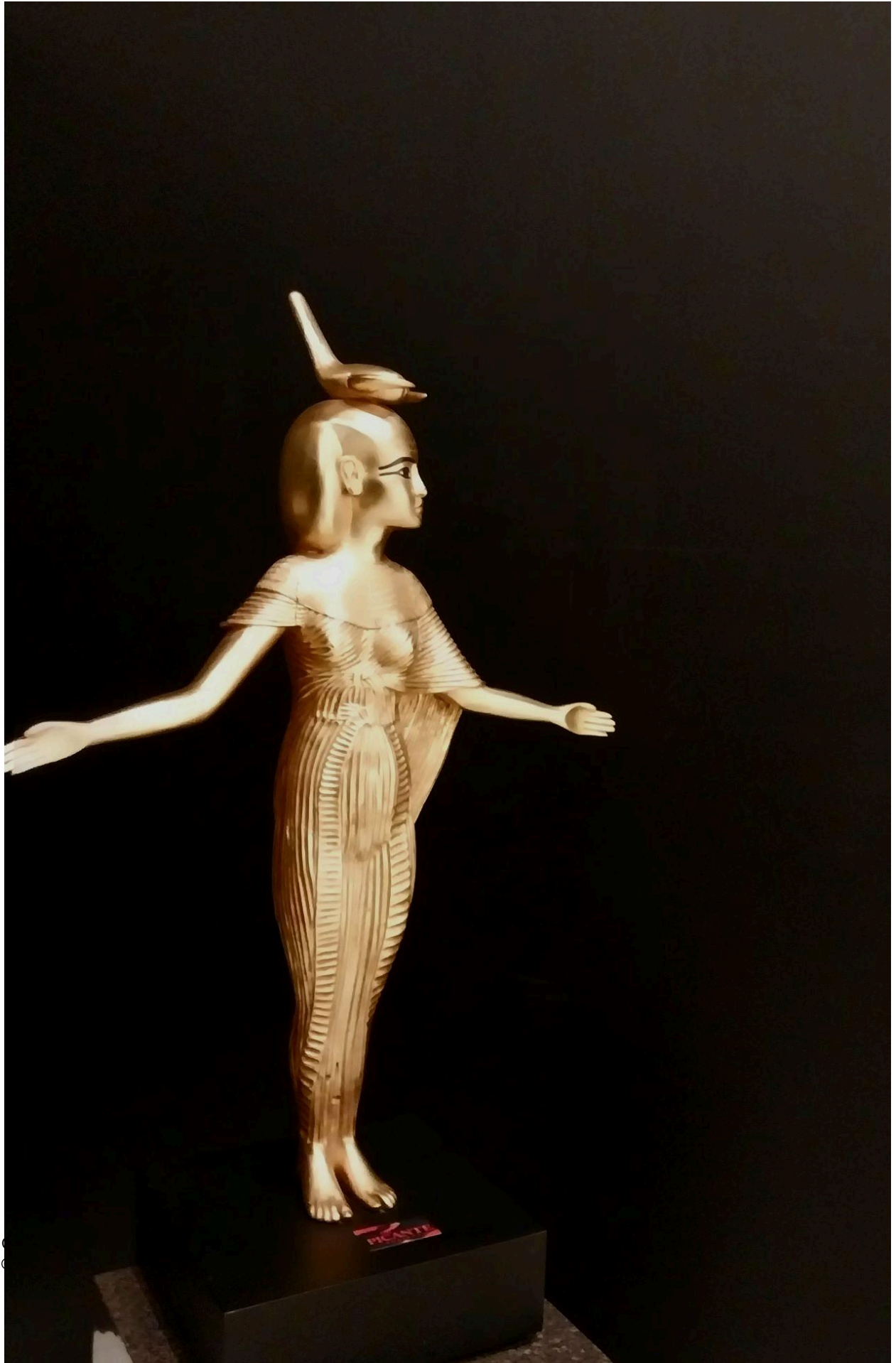




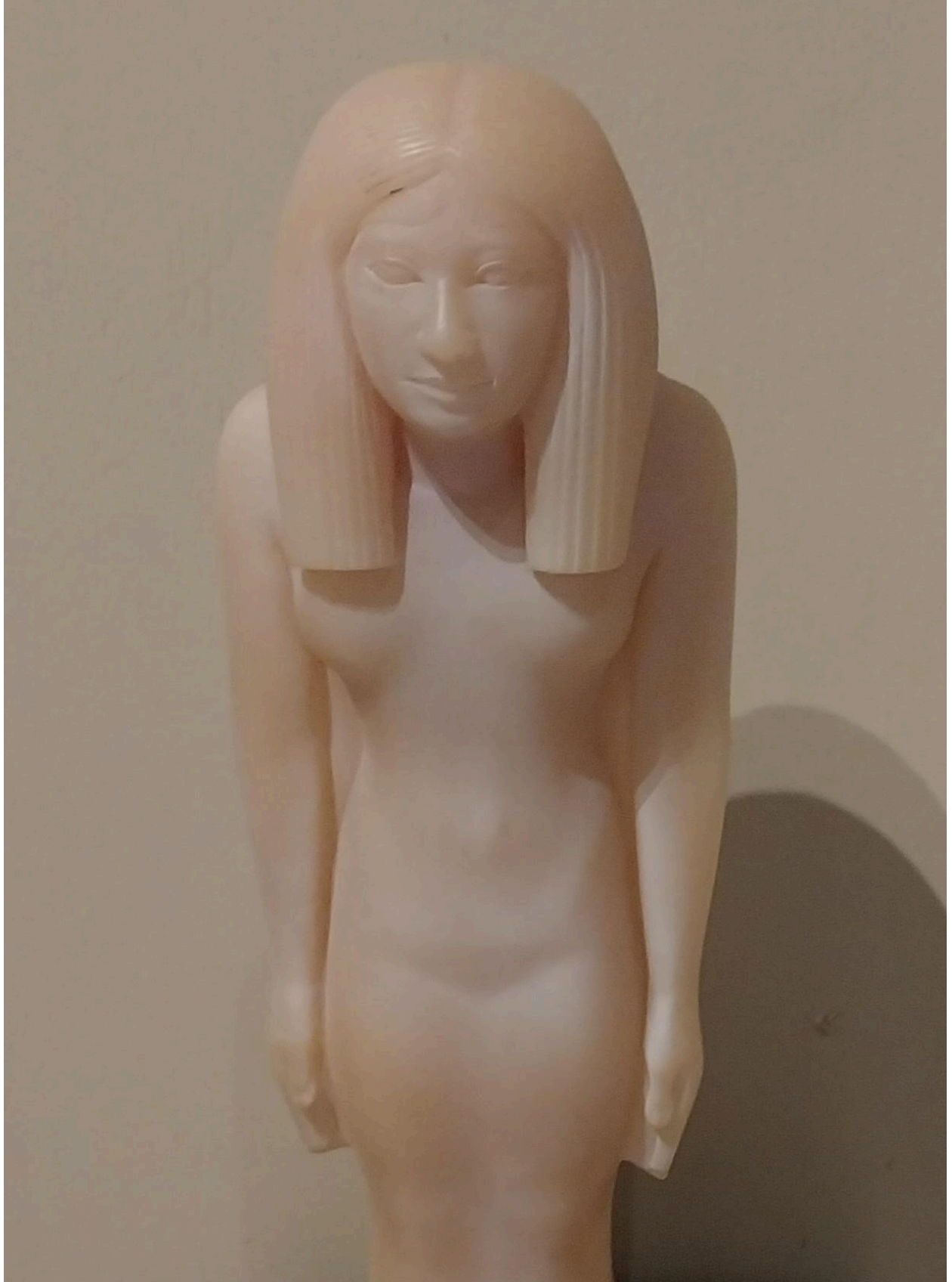
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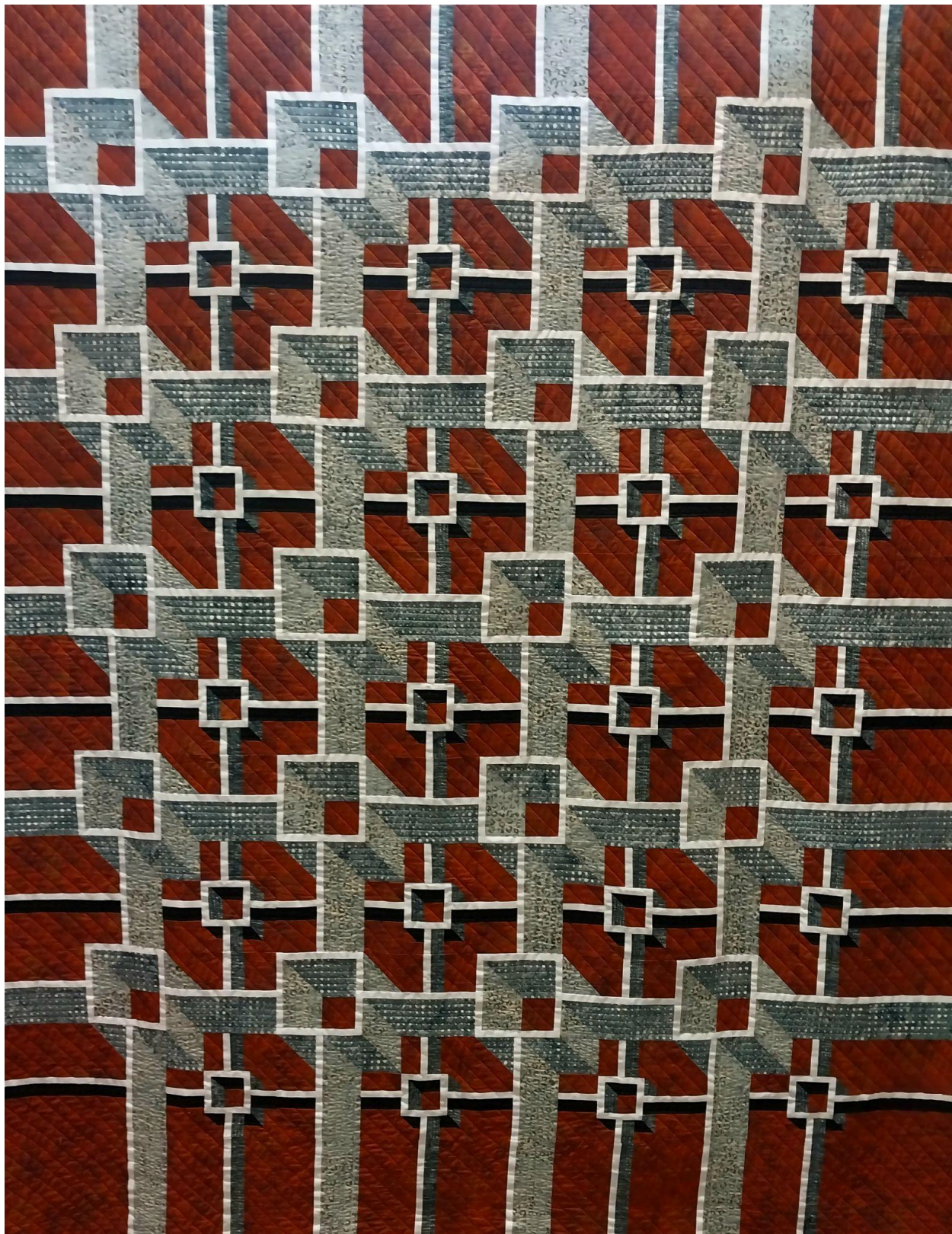


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