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## Essential Arts: Coronavirus can't stop L.A.'s most devoted museum fan

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My layers have grown out and I'm looking like Mandy Patinkin in "The Princess Bride." I'm **Carolina A. Miranda**, staff writer at the Los Angeles Times, with the week's essential arts news — and important playwright boxer shorts.

### Essential image



"Untitled (100)," 2002, by Michael LeVell, who was scheduled to have a solo show at Tierra del Sol Gallery when the pandemic hit.  
(Michael LeVell / Tierra del Sol Gallery)

**Michael LeVell's** solo show at **Tierra del Sol Gallery** in Chinatown was supposed to have a March 14 opening. Like countless other exhibitions, it was canceled. LeVell's work is inspired by the pages of **Architectural Digest**. The artist, who is legally blind, holds the magazine close to study its lines and forms and creates works inspired by what he sees.

Learn more about LeVell by visiting [the gallery's website](#), which features a video walk-through of the show. (His ceramics of furnishings, btw, are really charming.)

This is an edited version of the article

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