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Sight of the Week

Liberty Sculpture Park: Crazy Horse,
Tiananmen Square

Field Review by
the Team at
[RoadsideAmerica.com](#) Yermo, California

In 2017 a group of friends, including Weiming Chen, a Chinese-born dissident and sculptor, bought 36 acres of desert next to the I-15 freeway. Chen christened it **Liberty Sculpture Park**, and told reporters that its purpose was to champion the human desire for freedom and condemn the oppression of Chinese communism. Artwork chosen for the park would be visible every day to thousands of passing motorists on the interstate. All artists were invited to contribute, but for now only Chen's work is standing in the desert.

His first sculpture, "The Origin of Freedom Number One: Chief Crazy Horse," is a 15-foot-high head of the Native American leader (And surprisingly similar to a much older big chief head in **Saskatchewan**). Chen said it marked the 140th anniversary of Crazy Horse's death in 1877.



Unlikely neighbors: Chinese dissident and giant ice cream sundae.