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It's impossible to walk more than a block in the Bay without stumbling onto some kind of artistic something or other. We breed new artistic litters like wild rabbits and the art scene here is constantly shifting and changing directions. Trying to paint a comprehensive picture is, frankly, a bitch of a task. But with a roster that includes over 50 individual artists and organizations and a program of gallery openings, performances and community engagements stretching over the next 3 months, Yerba Buena's "Bay Area Now 5" multidisciplinary triennial makes an admirable attempt at reining in all the thoroughbreds. While mainly going down at the museum, there'll also be performances at various satellite locations throughout the Bay and while you'd have to be an art nut of near Art Basel proportions to hit all the events over the next 90 days, check the schedule to pick and choose from their sizable artistic menu. Some standout events include Dohee Lee's experimental theater works combining traditional Korean performance with new video and dance, a series of lectures and performances by Oakland's Black Dot Artists, Inc., and a new site specific dance piece by Joanna Haigood and Zaccho Dance Theatre.