Numerous candlelight vigils have been held around the world to remember Falun Gong practitioners who have died in China from torture. The lotus flower is a symbol of enduring beauty and purity in Chinese culture because, although it rises from the murky bottom of a pond, , its radiant beauty unfolds unblemished above the water's surface.

***Relentless**. This is a scene from a Chinese detention centre, where prison guards are given directives to "transform" people who practise Falun Gong that is, force them to renounce their beliefs. When brainwashing classes do not work, practitioners are subjected to relentless beatings, sometimes to death.*

***Homeless**. A little girl comes home from school only to find her parents gone. The two pieces of white paper on the door are official notices stating that the house has been condemned by the "610 Office" a Gestapo-like agency set up specifically to eradicate Falun Gong. The red paper on the door reads "Truthfulness, Compassion, Forbearance"*

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ART EXHIBITION

This painting is based on a true story. The mother and son were arrested in China simply because they practise Falun Gong. Despite the beatings, the boy had no tears, only one question: Why? Why were they being detained? Why were they treated this way?