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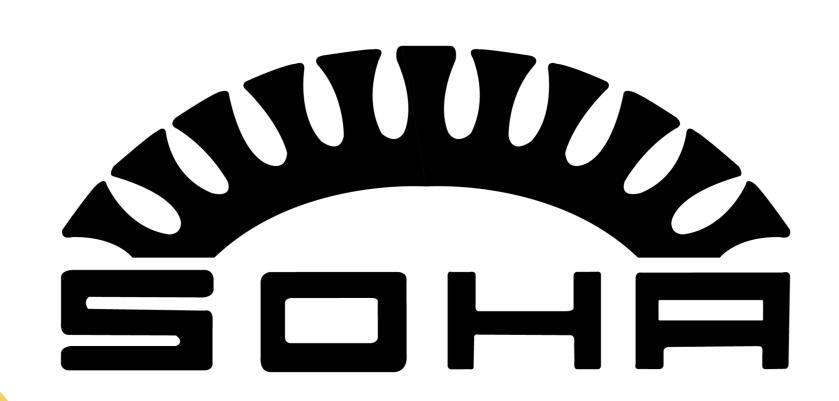
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His most recent book, a memoir, is
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Professor García is currently working on a biography of Eduardo Balderas, the first Spanish-speaking translator for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and also its first Latino patriarch.





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