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Two-Day Sculpture Exhibition at Evergreen Arboretum: Aug 19-20, 10 AM - 5 PM Featuring Carving Workshops and Artist Demos

Evergreen Arboretum and Gardens, in conjunction with the Northwest Stone Sculptors Association (NWSSA), is delighted to announce a captivating two-day outdoor sculpture exhibition taking place on August 19th and 20th. This event promises to be a feast for the senses, showcasing an array of exquisite sculptures created by talented member artists of the NWSSA. The exhibition will be open to the public on the Arboretum grounds from 10 AM to 5 PM both days, allowing ample time to explore the stunning gardens, interact with the sculptors, and admire the diverse range of works displayed on plinths throughout the venue.

Attendees will have the unique opportunity to witness creative artist demonstrations on both days. The Arboretum will host one demonstration, while a second demo will be held downtown at our Fresh Paint booth near the Schack Art Center. These demonstrations offer an immersive experience, allowing visitors to witness the artistic process firsthand and gain insights into the techniques employed by these talented sculptors.

Please note that the Arboretum will close to the public at 5 PM on Saturday to accommodate a private evening event.

In addition to the exhibition and artist demos, Evergreen Arboretum will host two Stone Carving Workshops on Saturday, August 19th. These workshops are open to participants from 9 to 99 and will teach participants the art of carving animal shapes from soapstone. Workshop #1: 10 AM - Noon and Workshop #2: 1 PM -3 PM. Members of the NWSSA will provide hands-on guidance, demonstrating stone filing techniques and helping each participant create their own unique sculpture. The workshops will take place outdoors in the upper parking lot of Evergreen Arboretum Classroom 105. Participants are advised to dress appropriately for the weather and wear clothes that can get dirty. The tools used in the workshop are simple and safe, and all necessary supplies will be provided.

To secure a spot in the Stone Carving Workshops, preregistration is required. Please note that a non-refundable prepaid materials fee of $30 applies. To register, please visit: https://www.evergreenarboretum.com/store/carving-soapstone-animals-workshop-1-2dwzp

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to our generous Sculpture Walk sponsors for their invaluable support: The Northwest Stone Sculptors Association, Newland Construction, and Sunnyside Nursery. Their commitment to promoting the arts in our community is deeply appreciated.

About Northwest Stone Sculptors Association (NWSSA): NWSSA is a dynamic association that brings together artists and enthusiasts passionate about stone sculpting. With a rich community of members, NWSSA promotes stone sculpting as an art form, provides educational opportunities, and supports collaboration and networking among sculptors in the Northwestern region. For more information, please visit https://nwssa.org