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MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR THE ANNUAL GALLERY WITHOUT WALLS PUBLIC ART CELEBRATION!

Lake Oswego, Oregon – The Arts Council of Lake Oswego and the City of Lake Oswego are excited to be changing the landscape with twelve new sculptures adorning the streets! The citywide celebration will be held September 18, from 3 to 5:30 PM, at City Hall, located at 380 A Avenue, Lake Oswego.

This family-friendly annual event promises to be filled with food, fun, and art created on the spot to buy and take home. Experience the unique opportunity to meet many of this **year's** sculptors and learn about how their work goes from idea to three-dimensional sculpture. The event culminates in docent-led tours of the new sculptures. Join in the fun for a grand tour of **some of this year's additions.**

Lake Oswego's public art program is unique as new pieces are loaned to the city each year. With the combination of both temporary and permanent pieces, over 80 + public sculptures make their home in Lake Oswego. As the permanent sculptures become beloved characters and fixtures throughout the City, the rotating sculptures allow the community to enjoy new artwork, processes, themes, media, styles, and outstanding talent each year.

"The Arts Council is thrilled to have a nationally recognized program and this year we have artists from all around the United States and abroad including Washington, Maryland, Oregon, Colorado, California, and Canada. Art is integral to our life in Lake Oswego because it provides us with deeper self—awareness, enjoyment, excitement, and more," remarked Nicole Nathan, Executive Director. "We hope the community and visitors will enjoy each new piece and join us for the celebration."

Other event activities include the dedication of the 2022 People's Choice award winner, Big Bright Brookie by artist Rick True, along with the ability to view the ARTspace Gallery exhibition, 12x12x12: A Celebration of Community.

The Arts Council of Lake Oswego administers the public art program on behalf of the City of Lake Oswego, and works collaboratively with the community to select, site, and maintain the nationally recognized Gallery Without Walls public art program. ACLO also oversees the City's permanent art collection of over 255 works, and provides accessible programming for the community through the ARTspace Gallery, education, outreach, and events that are inclusive for all.

About the Arts Council of Lake Oswego: The Arts Council of Lake Oswego works to ensure that the arts are an integral part of life in our community, now and into the future. The Arts Council is located at 380 A Avenue, Suite A, Lake Oswego, OR 97034. For more information visit http://www.artscouncillo.org or call 503-675-3738.

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