

Gallery to host talks, demos by 30 artists

Juried sculpture show starts today at CAVE



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Dave Gonzo's sculpture "Beauty and Decay" is on display this month at Art at the CAVE. Provided photo

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Are you ready to explore the deep, cavernous belly of artistic creation?



Through April 28, the Art at the CAVE gallery in downtown Vancouver is hosting a juried sculpture exhibit featuring 30 regional artists. Today, several of the artists will visit the CAVE and its next-door neighbor, a vacant space on Evergreen Boulevard that's been transformed into a temporary sculpture laboratory.

This is the Portland area's fourth annual International Sculpture Day outing, and the first time it's hopped north across the river. That's frankly quite an artistic coup for Vancouver.

For starters, you're welcome to visit the CAVE anytime today — from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. — to explore the artworks. Plus, a lineup of special events begins in the late afternoon, starting at 4 p.m. with visits to that sculpture lab next door.

"We've given two artists license to create an 'experience' for people," said key organizer Jennifer Corio. That'll include playing with different sculptural materials and building a group piece — perhaps after some creative reflection in a dark, creativity-generating room called "The Belly." It was all built by sculptors Andy Kennedy and Amber Metz.

Meanwhile, sculptors Dave Gonzo and Chayo Wilson will meld metal and clay in a live, collaborative demonstration. And, starting at 6 p.m., sculptors Chas Martin, Sue Westfall Quast and Craig Dorety will give artist talks, describing the creative pathways that got them here as well as the artworks themselves.

The makers of Proto Pasta, a "printable" hybridized thermoplastic filament manufactured right here in Vancouver, will be on hand to demonstrate new sculptural techniques.

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