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## GET OUT! Summer at the Olympic Sculpture Park: Jun 12-Sep 12, 2010

*The Seattle Art Museum brings together art, environment and community like never before in its first ever full season of outdoor events at the waterfront park.*

*Five ephemeral works of art by West Coast artists commissioned for the park, a weekly Farmers Market, festivals and performances are among season highlights*

**SEATTLE, MAY 4, 2010** – Get Out! and play, shop, party and create this summer at the Olympic Sculpture Park (OSP). The Seattle Art Museum has scheduled an entire summer season packed full of activities that combine visual art, green living and community.

The OSP summer season will be alive with art and events beginning with the June 12 kick-off during the *Celebrate Wildflowers* festival. The season will be punctuated by a weekly Farmers Market, music and art-filled Thursday evenings beginning in July, a rocking SAM Remix at OSP in August, and the season-closing *Salmon Return* festival in September. Throughout the season, Get Out! will aim to be socially responsible and environmentally friendly.

The Thursday Olympic Sculpture Park Farmers Market along the park's z-path will feature more than 30 local farmers and vendors. It will also showcase chef demonstrations by talent from throughout the region and wine tastings by TASTE Restaurant. The farmers market is presented in partnership with TASTE Restaurant and the Seattle Farmers Market Association (SFMA), who is proud to partner with SAM in the production of its summer series. SFMA is the organizer of the Ballard Farmers Market and five other neighborhood markets. This year it celebrates its 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary as founder of the neighborhood market movement in the Seattle area. The Olympic Sculpture Park Farmers Market takes place on Thursdays, 3:30-7:30 p.m., July 15th-September 9th

Seattle residents and visitors alike can also count on a range of weekly events, from jazz and rock performances and outdoor social dancing on Thursday evenings, to outdoor yoga and drawing in the park on Saturdays.

This summer, the museum is also thrilled to announce the installation of five ephemeral works of art at OSP. West Coast artists Jenny Heishman, Andrew Dadson, Mungo Thomson, Jessica Jackson Hutchins and Whiting Tennis are working on site-specific pieces that will be on view in various areas of the park beginning June 12.

In addition, on August 18 a new installation in the PACCAR pavilion will open to the public. Trenton Doyle Hancock's *A Better Promise* (2010), is an ambitious, site-specific installation that continues an imaginative and colorful epic saga that the artist has created and follows through his multi-media art works. The installation at OSP will include large-scale sculpture, wall drawings, and an interactive component encouraging viewers to bring their own "mounds of color" in the form of plastic bottle caps to the park and feed them to the work of art, thereby infusing color into OSP's PACCAR Pavilion.



Trenton Doyle Hancock, *The Ossified Theosophied, (Aborted but Beautiful)*, 2005. Color etching. © Trenton Doyle Hancock. Image courtesy James Cohan Gallery, New York.

A current schedule for the 2010 Get Out! Summer Season the Olympic Sculpture Park follows. All events are subject to change. And more activities are in the works, such as cooking demonstrations, wine tasting, music and more. Up-to-date information can be found on the museum's online calendar at [www.seattleartmuseum.org](http://www.seattleartmuseum.org), or by calling (206) 654-3100.

## GET OUT! SUMMER AT THE OLYMPIC SCULPTURE PARK

Schedule of Events, Current as of May 4, 2010

### JUNE

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#### Weekly Events

##### Saturdays

Jun 19-Aug 21

##### Yoga in the Park, 10-11 am

Free, drop-in, outdoor Yoga (no registration required) with fantastic instructors from [8 Limbs Yoga](#). Bring your own mat, water, and needed supplies. Note: no yoga if inclement weather.

##### Drawing in the Park, morning - dusk

Draw all day! Capture the sculptures, plant life and beautiful views of the Olympic Mountains and the Puget Sound through self-guided drawing. Easels and drawing materials provided.

##### Public Tours, Noon & 1pm

Site, Sculpture, Shoreline: Discover the Olympic Sculpture Park

##### Sundays

##### Public Tours, Noon & 1pm

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#### Special Events

##### Saturday

Jun 12

##### Celebrate Wildflowers Family Festival, noon-3 pm

The OSP Park Season kicks-off with this magnificent family festival all about native plants and local talent. Live music, art making and park tours will fill the afternoon. Make a playdate with the Olympic Sculpture Park. And carpool if you can!

##### Opening Day for Exhibition of Five Ephemeral Art Installations at the Park

Time-based works by West Coast artists Jenny Heishman, Andrew Dadson, Mungo Thomson, Jessica Jackson Hutchins and Whiting Tennis will be on view throughout the summer.

##### Seattle Aquarium Beach Naturalists, 10 am-2 pm

Explore the OSP pocket beach at low tide with Seattle Aquarium Beach Naturalists – local citizens who care about Puget Sound Beaches and have volunteered to help others learn about and enjoy our local beaches.

##### A Walk in the Park 2:30pm

Artists Whiting Tennis & Jessica Jackson-Hutchins, whose ephemeral, site-specific installations are on view at Olympic Sculpture Park beginning June 12, lead an exploration of the park from their unique point of view. Meet in the Pavilion.

##### Sunday

Jun 13

##### Seattle Aquarium Beach Naturalists, 10 am-2 pm

Explore the OSP pocket beach at low tide with Seattle Aquarium Beach Naturalists – local citizens who care about Puget Sound Beaches and have volunteered to help others learn about and enjoy our local beaches.

**Saturday  
Jun 19**

**SAM Creates – Unconventional Portraits: In Space and Time with Gretchen Bennett and D.W. Burnam, 2-4 pm**

*When musician D.W. Burnam reads or listens to lyrics, he thinks of space. When Seattle artist Gretchen Bennett reads or listens to lyrics, words emerge that relate to specific moments in time. During this two-hour project, Burnam and Bennett will lead participants in writing in reaction to sound, examining the influence of songs on the verbal formulation of personal experiences. Individual workshop tickets: SAM and Henry Art Gallery members \$14, students and seniors \$20, general admission \$24.*

**Friday  
Jun 25**

**Set the Table for SAM, 6 pm**

*Join us for Set the Table for SAM a fun and creative dinner party with a twist, along the Olympic Sculpture Park's iconic Z-path. SAM will provide tables, chairs, plates, glasses and a fabulous dinner prepared by some of the region's finest chefs. Guests take care of the rest by designing and decorating their own tables for dinner. The more outrageous the better! Prizes will be awarded for best table categories, and all funds raised will support the Seattle Art Museum's education and outreach programs. Tickets start at \$250 per person and include access the after party, Party in the Park. For more information contact Andy Burgess at 206.654.3138 or [andreab@seattleartmuseum.org](mailto:andreab@seattleartmuseum.org).*

**Party in the Park, 8:30 pm– 12:30am**

*Party in the Park is an energetic and creative late night party that activates the Olympic Sculpture Park. Guest will enjoy live music, DJ's, performances and a few surprises throughout the evening. Ticket Prices: \$75 before June 11, \$100 June 11-25 and \$125 at the door (pending availability). All tickets include late night nibbles and drinks, and all proceeds from Party in the Park benefit the Seattle Art Museum's educational and outreach programs. Party in the Park is 21+ only.*

**Saturday  
Jun 26**

**Seattle Aquarium Beach Naturalists, 10:30 am-1:30 pm**

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**Sunday  
Jun 27**

**Seattle Aquarium Beach Naturalists, 10:30 am-2 pm**

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## JULY

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### Weekly Events

**Thursdays  
Jul 15-Sep 9**

**Olympic Sculpture Park Farmers Market, 3:30-7:30 pm**

*Enjoy the Olympic Sculpture Park Farmers Market as you travel down the Z Pathway including TASTE for wine tasting and our own SAM booth with face painting and free drawing materials.*

**SAM Performs, 5:30-7:30**

*Cap off an evening at the farmers market with live performances by local musicians. July 22 and 29 bring Jazz performances in collaboration with Earshot Jazz. July 15, Local rock band Lonely Forest performs.*

**Saturdays**

**Yoga in the Park, 10-11 am**

*Free, drop-in, outdoor Yoga (no registration required) with fantastic instructors*

from [8 Limbs Yoga](#). Bring your own mat, water, and needed supplies.  
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**Drawing in the Park, morning - dusk**

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**Sundays**

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**Special Events**

**Saturday  
Jul 10**

**Seattle Aquarium Beach Naturalists, 9:30 am-1 pm**

Explore the OSP pocket beach at low tide with Seattle Aquarium Beach Naturalists – local citizens who care about Puget Sound Beaches and have volunteered to help others learn about and enjoy our local beaches.

**A Walk in the Park, 2:00pm**

Explore aspects of the Olympic Sculpture Park with local experts who specialize in the environment, land management, art and architecture, natural and cultural history and ecology of the Puget Sound. Meet in the Pavilion.

**Sunday  
Jul 11**

**Seattle Aquarium Beach Naturalists – Lowest Summer Tide, 10 am-2 pm**

Explore the OSP pocket beach at low tide with Seattle Aquarium Beach Naturalists – local citizens who care about Puget Sound Beaches and have volunteered to help others learn about and enjoy our local beaches.

**Saturday  
Jul 31**

**SAM Creates – Unconventional Portraits: Sculptural Icons with Scott Fife**

Seattle-based artist Scott Fife builds intricate portrait sculptures of pop culture icons using materials such as cardboard, screws, masking tape and glue. Participants in this workshop will work with the artist, using some of these same everyday materials, simple techniques and low-tech tools to create their own piece, perhaps their avatar. Individual workshop tickets: SAM and Henry Art Gallery members \$14, students and seniors \$20, general admission \$24.

**AUGUST**

**Weekly Events**

**Thursdays  
Through Sep 9**

**Olympic Sculpture Park Farmers Market, 3:30-7:30 pm**

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**SAM Performs, 5:30-7:30**

Cap off an evening at the farmers market with live performances by local musicians. August 5, jazz musicians take the stage, August 12 Andrew Oliver Kora Band melds Jazz with West African traditions, and August 19 continues with more jazz in the park, all in collaboration with Earshot Jazz.

On August 26 from 6-9 pm, the City of Seattle Department of Parks and Recreation brings **Dancing till Dusk** to OSP with live salsa band Tumbao, a real dance floor and free, professional dance instruction.

**Saturdays****Yoga in the Park, 10-11 am**

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**Special Events****Saturday  
Aug 14****A Walk in the Park, Second Saturdays 2:00pm**

*Explore aspects of the Olympic Sculpture Park with local experts who specialize in the environment, land management, art and architecture, natural and cultural history and ecology of the Puget Sound. Meet in the Pavilion.*

**Friday  
Aug 27****SAM Remix at OSP, 8 pm-midnight  
and Opening celebration for installation by artist Trenton Doyle Hancock**

*Experience SAM's Olympic Sculpture Park bursting at the seams with art, performances, talks, dancing and more at this late-night creative explosion! \$12 SAM members and students: \$15 general admission.*

**SEPTEMBER****Weekly Events****Thursdays  
Through Sep 9****Olympic Sculpture Park Farmers Market, 3:30-7:30 pm**

*Enjoy the Olympic Sculpture Park Farmers Market as your travel down the Z Pathway including TASTE (wine tasting) and our own SAM booth with face painting and free drawing materials.*

**SAM Performs, 6-9**

***Dancing till Dusk** social dancing with a live band, a real dance floor and free, professional dance instruction. On Sep 2, you're invited to wear white for the **Dancing till Dusk Ball Blanc** dance event, with waltzing and more featuring music by KGB. Sep 9 brings Big Band music by the [Seattle Reparatory Jazz Orchestra](#). Presented in collaboration with Earthshot Jazz and [Seattle Parks and Recreation](#).*

**Saturdays  
Through Sep 18****Public Tours, Noon & 1pm**

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**A Walk in the Park, Second Saturdays 2:00pm**

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**Sundays  
Through Sep 19**

**Public Tours, Noon & 1pm**

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**Special Events**

**Saturday  
Sep 11**

**Salmon Return Family Festival**

*Come out to the sculpture park to celebrate the close of summer. This family festival will be filled with music, contests, art making and more!*

**A Walk in the Park, 2:00pm**

*In this season's final Walk in the Park, explore aspects of the Olympic Sculpture Park with local experts who specialize in the environment, land management, art and architecture, natural and cultural history and ecology of the Puget Sound. Meet in the Pavilion.*

**Saturday  
Sep 12**

**Belltown Pet Parade**

*For the second year in a row the Belltown Community Council is bringing this fun neighborhood gathering to OSP. "Best friends" of all breeds – along with their humans – will parade along the park's Z-path and can enjoy professional pet massage and training advice, pet contests, cool prizes and more.*