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New Public Art Sculptures to Be Dedicated

A ceremony to officially dedicate the Village's two new pieces of public art has been scheduled for 10:30 a.m., Sat., Nov. 23.

The ceremony will begin at the southeast corner of Oak Park Avenue and North Boulevard where *Cedar Stairway*, a carving of western red cedar by artist Jene Highstein, is located, before moving on to the newly renovated Dole Learning Center, 255 Augusta St., the site of *Keepsake*, a bronze sculpture by artist Scott Wallace. A reception will follow the ceremony at the Dole Learning Center.

"The role of the Public Art Advisory Commission is to facilitate the placement of art that enhances the character of Oak Park," said Rick Palmore, chair of the Commission, citizen volunteers who advise the Village Board on public art acquisition and placement. "We strive to select art that not only has an aesthetic quality, but also contributes to the rich social fabric of the our community."

Cedar Stairway and *Keepsake* join Michael Brown's limestone *Gate*, now in its second year in the pedestrian walkway next to Pier One Imports on Lake Street.

For more information on the Public Art Advisory Commission or art in the Village call 358.5692.

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