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Back to Nature

On September 27, Southwest Portland's Tryon Creek State Park hosted an exclusive preview party for the fourth annual exhibit *Natural Cycles: A Celebration of Art in the Forest*. The five new sculptures, scattered along the 775-acre park's Trillium Trail, are intended to create awareness of topics like invasive species and the importance of sustainability. Around 130 people turned out for the arty sneak-peek and chipped in \$15,000 for **Friends of Tryon Creek State Park's** education and park-restoration programs.



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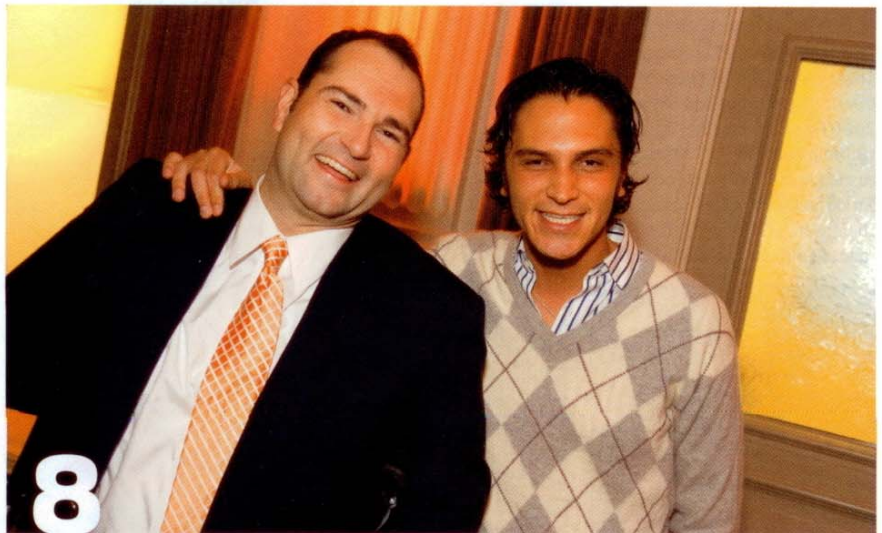
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6 Sharon Hawley, a Friends of Tryon Creek State Park board member, offers up a plate of figs with Rogue Creamery blue cheese and walnuts during *Natural Cycles: A Celebration of Art in the Forest*.

7 2008 *Natural Cycles* artists Lee Imonen (from left), Vicki Lynn Wilson, Jen Pack, Julie Lindell, and Brennan Conaway raise a glass to celebrate the event's opening night.

Breaking Boundaries

Nearly 300 backers filled the Governor Hotel for **Incight Foundation's** second annual Harvest Gala on October 2. Founded in 2002, the Southwest Portland-based nonprofit empowers those with disabilities by helping them pursue higher education and land jobs. An appearance by US Paralympics champion April Holmes was a highlight of the event, and the inspirational evening tallied a record-breaking \$103,000.



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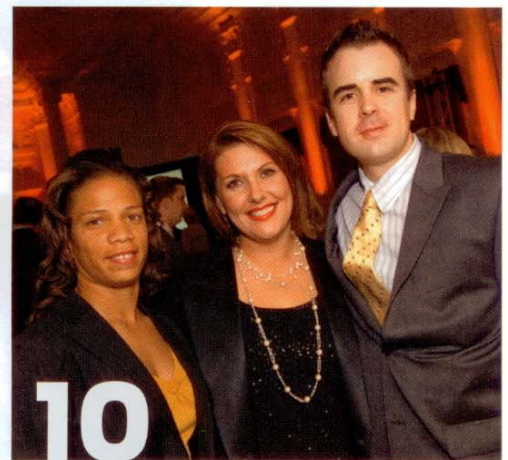


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8 Incight founder and chair Vail Horton (left) and his brother Paul Tennant take time to celebrate the fact that, since its inception in 2002, Incight has provided more than \$1.2 million in scholarship aid and program support to people with disabilities.

9 Partygoers Kathi Yockey and Grove Hunt share a laugh during the Harvest Gala.

10 Incight board member John Friess (far right) and event coordinator Beth Horton (center) log a little time with 2008 Paralympics three-time gold medalist April Holmes. A Nike-sponsored athlete, Holmes, who lost her left leg in 2001 in a train accident, founded the April Holmes Foundation to assist those with physical disabilities.



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