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glass-scul?ref=live

VISUALS: Photos available at www.structureoflove.com

EVENT: The Structure of Love Is Indestructible: International debut event

WHERE: The Harbor House at Percival Landing, 405 Columbia St NW, Olympia, WA 98502

COST: Free and open to the public

WHEN: Wed, Sept 11, 2013 – Sun, Sept 15, 2013

TIME: Wed, 12 noon - 9pm

Thurs—Sun, 9am - 9pm

A five-day international debut of *The Structure of Love Is Indestructible*, a sculpture by Olympia, WA artist Ross Matteson. The event will include an unveiling of the sculpture, keynote speakers, and live music. It will be ushered by fire fighters from the Olympia area. Each day of this event will have a different theme (see schedule below). The speakers and music will address these themes.

Event Schedule:

| DAY 1 – Honoring Service | Wed, Sept 11, 2013 | 12 noon– 9pm |
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| DAY 2 – Recognizing Peace and Justice | Thurs, Sept 12, 2013 | 9am – 9pm |
| DAY 3 – Courage in Journalism | Fri, Sept 13, 2013 | 9am – 9pm |
| DAY 4 – Uncovering Truth in Nature | Sat, Sept 14, 2013 | 9am – 9pm |
| DAY 5 – Interfaith Unity | Sun, Sept 15, 2013 | 9am – 9pm |

Updated schedule of individual speakers and performers at www.structureoflove.com

The Structure of Love Is Indestructible is a glass and polished stainless steel sculpture. The composition includes two 10-foot-tall glass towers intended to suggest the World Trade Center. The sides of each tower feature an ascending pattern of doves etched into the glass.

This 2013 sculpture is a monumental version of a smaller (4-foot) sculpture by Ross Matteson (also titled *The Structure of Love Is Indestructible*) that was created in October 2001. The original version was made to honor the individuals from more than 90 countries who had lost their lives or were injured during 9/11.

According to sculptor Ross Matteson, "I wanted to recognize the events of 9/11 without being sensational, depressing, or emphasizing mortality. Between 2001 and 2013 my message grew to embrace victims of any tragedy, not just 9/11. The *Structure of Love*, to me, means the *intelligence of Love*. It is an indestructible idea."

Ross Matteson is a Pacific Northwest sculptor with work in 16 countries. Museums that have featured or collected his work include the Gilcrease Museum (Tulsa, OK), Woodson Art Museum (Wausau, WI), National Museum of Wildlife Art (Jackson, WY), Natural History Museum (London, United Kingdom), and National Cowboy and Western Heritage Museum (Oklahoma City, OK).