Artist Julian Voss-Andreae works on his “Natural Cycles” art installation, “Large Buckyball around Trees,” with daughter Juliana in Tryon Creek State Park. The completed structure will be approximately 30 feet in diameter and consists of more than 500 feet of two-inch steel tubing embracing two maple trees.

‘Family day’ to feature art

Friends of Tryon Creek State Park will host a free family day Sept. 17 from 1 to 4 p.m. in the park. The event titled “Natural Cycles: A Celebration of Art in the Forest” is jointly sponsored by Friends of Tryon Creek and the Regional Arts and Culture Council. Five contemporary artworks will be on display for a year during the regular park hours.

Family day activities include special hands-on art projects for adults and children. Participants can make their own journal that includes bamboo prints, a lichen collage and drawings.

“I am very excited about this year’s Natural Cycles artists and I think park visitors will be too. The new art installations really demonstrate how nature, art and science are intertwined,” said Stephanie Wagner, Friends of Tryon Creek State Park Executive Director. “The Natural Cycles art installations also bring attention to the great natural beauty of this park.”

Tryon Creek State Park is located at 11321 S.W. Terwilliger Blvd. in southwest Portland. For more information on the art installation or family day call 503-636-4398 or visit www.TryonFriends.org.