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FriendsWithYou Will Open a Large-Scale “Light Cave” Installation at The Standard High Line Plaza Today

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Described as a “living breathing monument,” *Light Cave* by Los Angeles-based art collective **FriendsWithYou** will go on view today at The Standard High Line Plaza in New York and will stand through the month of September. The large-scale, inflatable installation measures 55 ft. x 25 ft. x 14 ft. and was described by the *New York Times* as an “abstract, prehistoric cave.” Visitors to The Standard will have to go through the sculpture to enter the hotel, taking in what the press release calls a “sensory rich experience.”



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The artists behind FriendsWithYour, Samuel Borkson and Arturo Sandoval III, say in the release that Light Cave, made possible by the hotel and the **Art Production Fund**, is a “cathedral of the spirit,” adding that the “interactive experience is manifested with the purpose of joining people together in a metaphysical sense.” This feel-good, communal message is what we’ve come to expect from **FriendsWithYou**, a duo that builds their practice off of a concept of new mysticism. Last year, FriendsWithYou brought giant inflatable sculptures to Art Basel Miami Beach for their installation **Somewhere Over the Rainbow. They told us of the installation:** “We wanted the experience to be like you made it to the end of the rainbow, a place where healing colors radiate people as they chill and play with our work making their own adventure.” We expect their new work to be just as sublime.