A Meatpacking Cave

On Monday, another plaza, farther downtown, will also be enveloped in a monumental work of public art. FriendsWithYou, a Los Angeles artist duo known for its childlike inflatable sculptures, has created “Light Cave,” an abstract, prehistoric-cave-like installation that will be 25 feet tall when placed in front of the Standard Hotel on Washington Street in the meatpacking district. Visitors will walk through the structure to enter the hotel.

Organized by the nonprofit Art Production Fund, the structure, which will remain up until early October, will be illuminated from the inside. “It’s been like building a piece of architecture,” Sam Borkson, one of the FriendsWithYou artists, said, calling “Light Cave” “a cathedral of the spirit.”