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BEST LOCAL MUSICIAN(S)

1. **Sol Seed** solseedmusic.com.
2. **Soul Vibrator** soundcloud.com/soulvibrator.
3. **Medium Troy** mediumtroy.com.

BEST VESTIGE OF EUGENE ART

1. **New Zone Gallery** newzonegallery.org.
2. **Karin Clarke Gallery** 760 Willamette St. 684-7963. karinclarkegallery.com.
3. **Jordan Schnitzer Museum of Art** 1430 Johnson Ln., UO Campus. 346-3027. jsma.uoregon.edu.

A staple gallery during the First Friday ArtWalk is now homeless, but missed enough to be voted the best “vestige” of Eugene’s art scene. New Zone has been around for 30 years and has been homeless before, says curator Steve La Riccia, but with rising rents downtown and more occupied storefronts, finding a new space is difficult. (They were shut out of their previous space when the property owner raised the rent from \$250 to \$3,000, he says.) With no more Mayor’s Art Show or a Salon de Refusés, and one less spot on the First Friday ArtWalk, art patrons are noticing the absence. “The spaces that used to be available aren’t available anymore,” La Riccia laments. “We are the city of the arts and outdoors and I don’t know where that is anymore. We have the First Friday ArtWalk but if there’s no galleries, where are they going to go? There are galleries, but nothing like the space we had.”



BEST INDIE BOOKSTORE

1. **Tsunami Books** 2585 Willamette St. 345-8986.
2. **Smith Family Bookstore** 525 Willamette St., 343-4717; 768 E. 13th Ave., 345-1651. smithfamilybookstore.com.
3. **J. Michaels Books** 160 E. Broadway. 342-2002.

Tsunami Books has been number two for the past 12 years, and now, in what might be their last year in existence, they’ve finally nabbed the top spot. “Sometimes it takes a long time to be fully recognized,” says owner Scott Landfield, with his characteristic dry humor. “The past year we’ve had quite a remarkable staff. I’ve been real happy with the clerks, and if I’m happy I know the customers are very happy too.” Tsunami customers appreciate the bookstore as a venue as well, hosting poetry slams and music of all sorts. Its future is uncertain, though. Its 22nd year might be its last, as their lease is up in July 2017 and Landfield doesn’t know what will happen then. “We’re about to begin a community process to see what’s next,” he says. “Look on Facebook or our website for info on the future of Tsunami Books.”

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BEST DISPENSARY

1. **Twenty After Four** 420 Blair Blvd. 393-6524. twentyafterfour.com.
2. **Moss Crossing** 2751 Friendly St. 636-3724. mosscrossing.com.
3. **Eugene OG** 2045 Franklin Blvd. 505-7575. eugeneog.com.