Early Phase of the Temporary Sculpture Park on a Vacant Lot next to Studio Place Arts

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Barre is famous for its 20th-century granite sculptures, which can be seen on display throughout the city as well as on the outskirts of town in the remarkable Hope Cemetery. But stone sculptors in and around central Vermont are not just relegated to the past.

Studio Place Arts is exhibiting five large-scale works outside and two dozen smaller pieces inside its gallery in downtown Barre. The display "Rock Solid In and Out" features contemporary art derived from the state's renowned deposits of granite and marble, ranging from "Daddy's Chair," a functional outdoor seat carved by Giuliano Cecchinelli II from a one-ton block of granite to a host of more abstract sculptures on exhibit indoors.

"Rock Solid In and Out" is on display through Nov. 5. Phone: 479-7069. Online: <u>www.studioplacearts.com</u>.

The temporary sculpture park outside Studio Place Arts in Barre on Monday, October 17, 2011. / GLENN RUSSELL, Free Press



"Coagulation" by Gampo Wickenheiser, part of the "Rock Solid In & Out" exhibit at Studio Place Arts in Barre on Monday, October 17, 2011.