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Q&A: Pop-up art studio Bottle & Bottega seeks long-term sites in Portland, Beaverton



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Joni Marsch

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Everyone can be an artist. At least that's Joni Marsch's working philosophy as owner of **Bottle & Bottega Portland**.

Marsch, a 32-year-old transplant from Illinois, brought the small, women-owned franchise to Portland nearly a year ago. Bottle & Bottega is one of the area's few adult pop-up art studios, where artists of any skill level can sign up for a painting class (termed parties by Marsch) guided by a local artist.

Marsch lives in Beaverton and has offered events at several locations throughout the Portland area as her business remained mobile. But now, she's looking for a permanent spot in downtown Portland, and said she has her eye on downtown Beaverton for a second location in the future.

We caught up with Marsch at a painting party at **Thirst Bistro** on the Portland waterfront recently, and she shared her experiences studying business and art in France, keeping painting events fresh and balancing her two passions. Answers have been edited for clarity and brevity.

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