

Arriving from the South East

Headquarters:

Robert Rae Gallery of Fine Art
184 W. Main St.
Stoughton, WI 53589
Ph: (608) 577-0177

Artists and Galleries are numerous throughout the downtown. Look for the gold art signs and colorful flags to locate tour artists, Laura Bradley (#21), Mary Cuff (#22), Derek Hambly (#23), Becky Guzman (#24), Cindy Hoesly (#25), Gary Kvalheim (#26) and Gary Walker (#27). North on Hwy 51 you will find more artists. Watch for signs at Schneider Road and County Rd B. Ralph Stromquist (#17) and Eleanor White (#18) both talented photographers, who live around the corner from each other. Karen McKean (#16) is a multi-talented artist who paints and works with clay. Brook Johnson (#19) is showing her pottery for the first time this year. Steve Kozar (#20) is a highly acclaimed painter, whose paintings are often mistaken for photographs.

Coming from the South

Headquarters:

Allen Creek Gallery, owned by local potter Matthias James (#35)
137 E. Main St.
Evansville, WI 53536
Ph: (608) 882-2415

Learn about the communities' connection to windmills when you stop at the Eager Building to see Becky Chalmer's Jewelry (#34) and Bill Buchanan's amazing wood animal portraits (#33). Check out the historic buildings and grand old homes in Evansville. Art is part of the fabric of Evansville and they celebrate it publicly. Watch for the windmills and barn quilts.

Starting in the Center of the Tour

Headquarters:

The Firefly Coffeehouse
114 N. Main St.
Oregon WI 53575
Ph: (608) 835-6238

From the Firefly Coffeehouse in historical downtown Oregon, you can quickly get to Ann Miller's stained glass studio (#12) where you can also see Carol Giffin's fused glass work (#11) and Joella Miller's intricate chainmaille jewelry (#13). Head west on A to Ann Kleckner's home studio (#30). You are almost there when you crest a large hill. Ann's studio is at the bottom of the hill. Ann creates unique fused glass pieces. You will also find Mary Doers (#29) who molds PMC Clay to make unique inclusions in her jewelry, and local Oregon photographer Mark Buehl (#28). Head south to see the extraordinary art of Dan Ott (#32), or continue on to enjoy the beautiful flower gardens at the home of photographer Dick Dornaus (#10). Then on to the Wood Cycle, where master wood worker Paul Morrison (#9) takes you through the entire cycle from tree to furniture. Next, Prairie Arts Metalworks' Rich Fizzell (#8) will show you how he uses everything from scrap iron to his silo to create useful works of art. Bernie Lynch's art business (#31) is called "closer views" for a reason; you'll discover some truly amazing images from nature. Follow County A heading

west to William Wolberg's home studio (#7), to enjoy the serene setting that inspires his photographs.

Heading South from Madison

Headquarters:
Roman Candle Pizzeria
2685 Research Park Dr.
Fitchburg, WI 53711
Ph: (608) 278-1111

Don't miss the two artists showing in Fitchburg. Head west on PD and follow the art signs. Mark Dilley (#14) is both a painter and a photographer, while Bonnie Lubet (#15) creates beautiful jewelry pieces with natural stones. Heading west to Verona and Paoli you will see two accomplished glass blowers, Audrey Handler (#2) and Scott Simmons (#3), plus potter Kristen Walker (#4), who is opening her studio for the first time this year. In Belleville, see the whimsical art of Rena Askey (#5) and Amy Faldet (#6). Further on, visit Chuck Bauer (#1), a painter who has set up his studio in Blanchardville and is very excited to share his paintings reflecting the area. We promise the scenery on the way will be worth it!

Approaching From the West

Headquarters:
Artisan Gallery
6858 Paoli Rd.
Paoli, WI 53508
Ph: (608) 845-6600

Paoli has long been a destination for art lovers and bicyclists. Check out the galleries, gift shops, and the famous cheese shop. Relax while you enjoy an ice cream cone and take in the sounds of the little stream. At the head quarters they can direct you to Scott Simmons (#3) and Kristen Walkers (#4) studios, which are nearby.