Artisan Yellow Brick Road Trip

Art seems to come naturally in the Sunflower State, where golden wheat fields and colorful sunsets provide the creative inspiration. Browse an array of arts and crafts as you travel through Kansas and you might even find yourself chatting with the artists. Be sure to also check out our blogs that feature arts, culture and heritage across the state: Arts-Culture-Heritage Blogs

1. Grassroots Art Center*
   213 S Main St, Lucas,
   (785) 525-6118
   Website

2. Birger Sandzen Memorial Gallery*
   401 N First, Lindsborg
   (785) 227-2220
   Website

3. SculptureTour Salina
   Downtown Lee District, Salina
   (785) 825-0535
   Website

4. Blue Sky Sculpture*
   12th & Kansas, Newton
   (316) 283-8027

5. Karg Art Glass
   111 N Oliver, Kechi
   (316) 744-2442
   Website

6. Keeper of the Plains*
   650 N Seneca, Wichita
   (316) 350-3340
   Website

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Lucas

1. Grassroots Art Center*
   Visitors enjoy the creativity of primarily retired individuals working with recycled materials such as metal, wood, pull-tabs, limestone, cement, computer motherboards and even chewing gum. The Art Center has also developed the Great Post Rock Limestone Courtyard Exhibit.

   *Looking for more unique opportunities in Lucas? May we recommend:

   **Bowl Plaza**
   119 S Main St, Lucas
   (785) 525-6118
   Unique public restroom which is a work of art in itself. Astonishingly detailed mosaics cover the inside and outside walls.

   **Brant’s Meat Market**
   125 S Main St, Lucas
   (785) 525-6464
   Website
   This family owned business since 1922 specializes in homemade, ready to eat ring bologna and several homemade sausages.

   **Deeble House & Rock Garden / Garden on Isis**
   213 S Main St, Lucas
   (785) 525-6118
   Website
   Ms. Florence Deeble created back yard postcard scenes made from colored cement and rocks. In 2002 Mrs. Pilar began radically changing the interior of the Deeble House into the Garden of Isis.

Lindsborg

2. Birger Sandzen Memorial Gallery*
   View the largest and most extensive collection of Sandzen’s paintings, prints, drawings and watercolors found anywhere in the world. The Gallery also presents exhibits of work by local and regional as well as nationally recognized artists. The gallery has an impressive collection of prints, ranging from European to American regionalist printmakers, and a variety of art from Asia.

   *Looking for more unique opportunities in Lindsborg? May we recommend:

   **Hemslöjd**
   201 N Main St, Lindsborg
   (785) 227-2053
   Website
   Hemslöjd is a gift and woodworking shop where you can visit with the craftsmen and artist as they work. Their specialty is the personalized house-sign in the shape of the beloved Swedish Dala Horse.

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Red Barn Studio*
212 S Main St, Lindsborg
(785) 227-2217
Website
Visit the working studio of the ultimate upcycler, professional artist and craftsman Lester Raymer. You’ll see his art and handiwork, from paintings and prints to ceramics and metalwork.

Small World Gallery
127 N Main St, Lindsborg
(785) 227-4442
Website
Photography by National Geographical photographic photographer Jim Richardson and IBIS Woman jewelry by Kathy Richardson.

Swedish Crown Restaurant
121 N Main, Lindsborg
(785) 227-8422
Website
Located in the heart of "Little Sweden USA" The Swedish Crown Restaurant features a mix of traditional Swedish dishes and American favorites with a unique twist.

Salina

3. Sculpture Tour Salina
An outdoor exhibit of sculptures that changes each spring. Artists from across the country, and beyond, submit work to be considered by a jury for each exhibition. Stroll through the thriving downtown, tour the sculptures and vote for your favorite piece.

Looking for more unique opportunities near Salina? May we recommend:

Cozy Inn*
208 N 7th St, Salina
(785) 825-2699
Website
Try the renowned Cozy Burger (better known as a “slider”) at this 1922 diner. Voted Kansas’ favorite hamburger by USA Today.

Salina Art Center
242 S Santa Fe, Salina
(785) 827-1431
Website
An innovative contemporary art space focusing on the art, artists, and culture of our time.

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Stiefel Theatre for the Performing Arts
151 S Santa Fe, Salina
(785) 827-1998
Website
This beautifully renovated historic Fox Theatre presents a tremendous variety of performances year round, from live theatre to film; music and comedy concerts, and dance performances.

Newton

4. Blue Sky Sculpture*
The sculpture requires a patient and contemplative viewer. The cloud motif, the passageway, the stoneware figures, the arced shape, and the fluid reflective files are intended to blend with the natural sky.

Looking for more unique opportunities near Newton? May we recommend:

Carriage Factory Art Gallery
128 E. Sixth, Newton
(316) 284-2749
Website
This two-story former carriage factory is now an art gallery with Kansas landscapes and other fine art for sale by Kansas and regional artists. Music, refreshments, and featured art occurs every Third Thursday.

Prairie Harvest
601 N. Main, Newton
(316) 283-6623
Website
Prairie Harvest offers a wide selection of Kansas-made products, healthful whole foods and more in their retail store. They also offer a wonderful bakery and deli with homemade foods perfect for a lunch stop.

Kechi

5. Karg Art Glass
This Midwest treasure features some of the most exquisite works of art created by a diverse selection of artists. The gallery showcases a variety of art forms from glass art to metal sculptures and paintings. Watch hand-blown art glass in a picturesque cedar and stone building in the heart of Kechi.

Looking for more unique opportunities near Kechi? May we recommend:

Artisan Lane Shops
128 W Kechi Rd, Kechi
(316) 200-0512
Home to a wood shop, weaving studio, two quilt shops, a refinishing furniture workshop, and a barbecue restaurant. You can walk from shop-to-shop to discover unique, artistic and collectible finds.

Kechi Playhouse
100 E Kechi Rd, Kechi
(316) 744-2152
Website

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Since 1983, 150 productions have graced the small stage, utilizing the talents of 434 local actors. The Playhouse produces 5 shows every year from June to October.

**Wichita**

6. **Keeper of the Plains**
   The 44-foot Cor-Ten steel sculpture now stands elevated on a 30-foot rock promontory, surrounded by a plaza which describes the Plains Indian way of life. Be sure to check the schedule on when the “Ring of Fire” is lit each evening.

   *Looking for more unique opportunities near Wichita? May we recommend:*

   **Larkspur Bistro & Bar**
   904 E Douglas, Wichita
   (316) 262-5275
   [Website](#)
   Sit comfortably while you sip a favorite wine, a stellar meal on the way as evening colors dash the sky. Melodies from the piano simmer with the day's end breeze and pleasant conversation with a good friend.

   **Music Theatre of Wichita**
   225 W Douglas, Ste 202, Wichita
   (316) 265-3107
   [Website](#)
   Internationally recognized for its Broadway quality productions and where many Broadway artists have earned their wings.

   **Roxy's**
   412 ½ E Douglas, Wichita
   (316) 265-4400
   [Website](#)
   Comedic, musical shows presented in a cabaret style theatre. This live performance venue in downtown Wichita also features concerts.

   **Ulrich Museum of Art**
   1845 Fairmount, WSU, Wichita
   (316) 978-3664
   [Website](#)
   Focusing on modern & contemporary art—spanning the 20th & 21st centuries. Named one of the "Top 10 outdoor campus sculpture collections" by "Public Art Review."

   **Wichita Art Museum**
   1400 W Museum Blvd, Wichita
   (316) 268-4921
   [Website](#)
   As the largest art museum in the state the museum houses one of the country's finest collections of American art. The museum features nearly 7,000 works of art, many galleries and a unique museum store.

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