



4 GLACIAL TRAIL SCENIC BYWAY
Discover agricultural roots, Native American history, & glacier-carved landscape (36 mi). Contact: Golden Hills RC&D at 712-482-3029



3 DRIFTLESS AREA SCENIC BYWAY
Explore trout streams, trails, parks, overlooks, & local art along Iowa's most scenic state byway (144 mi). Contact: Northeast Iowa RC&D at 563-864-7112



2 DELAWARE CROSSING SCENIC BYWAY
Explore rolling hills, civil war history, Lenox College, Lake Delhi, & the midwest's largest whitewater park (36 mi). Contact: Northeast Iowa RC&D at 563-864-7112



1 COVERED BRIDGES SCENIC BYWAY
View the iconic "Bridges of Madison County" & visit John Wayne's birthplace of Winterset (82 mi). Contact: Madison County Chamber at 515-462-1185



9 JEFFERSON HIGHWAY HERITAGE BYWAY
Tour along this north-south U.S. border-to-border route to experience the state's historical timeline (220 mi). Contact: Iowa DOT at 515-239-1369



8 IOWA VALLEY SCENIC BYWAY
Iowa's most culturally diverse byway features the Amana Colonies, Meskwaki Settlement, Czech Trail, and Belgian and German heritage. (77mi). Iowa Valley RC&D at 319-622-3264



7 HISTORIC HILLS SCENIC BYWAY
Trace footsteps of prehistoric people & visit over 100 Amish & Mennonite businesses (105 mi). Contact: Pathfinders RC&D at 641-472-6177



6 GREAT RIVER ROAD NATIONAL SCENIC BYWAY
Unwind through historic towns, follow the Mississippi Flyway, & view the ever-changing river (328 mi). Contact: Mississippi Parkway Commission 515-239-1664



5 GRANT WOOD SCENIC BYWAY
Take in rolling hills, inspiring art, local wineries, & a visit to the National Motorcycle Museum in Anamosa (80 mi). Contact: Northeast Iowa RC&D at 563-864-7112



14 WESTERN SKIES SCENIC BYWAY
Venture past America's largest Danish settlement & only working Danish windmill (142 mi). Contact: Golden Hills RC&D at 712-482-3029



13 WHITE POLE ROAD SCENIC BYWAY
Follow 700 white-painted poles through 5 towns as you cruise Iowa's first official paved state road (26 mi). Contact: White Pole Road Dev. Corp. 515-201-3133



12 RIVER BLUFFS SCENIC BYWAY
Enjoy historic river towns, prehistoric cultures, wineries, & local art galleries (109 mi). Contact: Northeast Iowa RC&D at 563-864-7112



11 LOESS HILLS NATIONAL SCENIC BYWAY
Follow the 220 mi. main route, or 185 mi. of excursion loops across America's largest deposit of windblown soils. Contact: Golden Hills RC&D at 712-482-3029



10 LINCOLN HIGHWAY HERITAGE BYWAY
Ride along America's first transcontinental highway to view historic main streets & landmarks (460 mi). Contact: Prairie Rivers of Iowa at 515-232-0048





Legend: State Scenic Byway (blue line), Heritage Byway (yellow line), National Byway (black line)

Byways shown: 1. Covered Bridges, 2. Delaware Crossing, 3. Driftless Area, 4. Glacial Trail, 5. Grant Wood, 6. Great River Road, 7. Historic Hills, 8. Iowa Valley, 9. Jefferson Highway, 10. Lincoln Highway, 11. Loess Hills, 12. River Bluffs, 13. White Pole Road, 14. Western Skies

Welcome to Iowa's Byways



BYWAYS OF IOWA FOUNDATION

ABOUT US

The Byways of Iowa Foundation is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization. Our mission is to help protect, enhance and promote cultural, natural and scenic resources along Iowa's byways, fostering authentic experiences with byway partners to increase visitor-related economic development.

- The Byways of Iowa Foundation cares about five priorities:
- 1) Protect and enhance byway resources
 - 2) Provide authentic experiences for byway travelers
 - 3) Develop and improve traveler infrastructure
 - 4) Educate partners and research opportunities
 - 5) Increase byway-related tourism & economic development revenue in Iowa

BECOME A MEMBER

Whether you are a community, an individual, or a corporation, your tax deductible donation is critical to help the Byways of Iowa Foundation accomplish our mission. We invite you to become a part of an organization that is making a difference across Iowa! Membership in the Byways of Iowa Foundation is an endorsement and annual gift which will help spur economic development and tourism while helping to enhance quality of life for Iowa's residents. The benefits of membership include savings, convenience and fun, but most importantly, our members are committed to making their communities better places to live, work and play.

To be connected with a Foundation Board Member, please contact Northeast Iowa RC&D, serving as fiscal sponsor, at **563-864-7112**, or visit the Byways of Iowa Foundation website at www.bywaysofiowa.org.



COMMUNITY CONNECTION THROUGH PUBLIC ART

Iowa's scenic byways are home to many art installations, but in 2019 there were 17 new works installed as part of the Byways of Iowa Foundation's statewide Public Art Initiative.

The new installations showcase the culture and character of rural Iowa communities. Through public engagement, every town in the Public Art Initiative chose a theme for its art project, then sought artists with local ties to help bring the theme to life.

These 17 installations are now ready for your selfies! In Belle Plaine, visitors contribute to the art by making their own sound waves. In Guttenberg, visitors can find the hidden main street map on the giant metal walleye. In Postville, the giant world spins and visitors can view brilliant and ever-changing colors through three teleidoscopes. Visitors can even grab lunch to go and picnic in the shade of Maquoketa's wooden gables.

In addition to the core funding provided by the Foundation, this special set of installations was possible because of support from the National Endowment for the Arts, Northeast Iowa RC&D, Iowa Arts Council, a Division of the Iowa Department of Cultural Affairs, Casey's General Stores, Iowa Department of Transportation, and more than 100 local partners. The installations are unique and represent the identities of each host community. Use this brochure to locate these new 17 works, find artist information, and get in touch with locals who can help you build out a day or weekend itinerary.

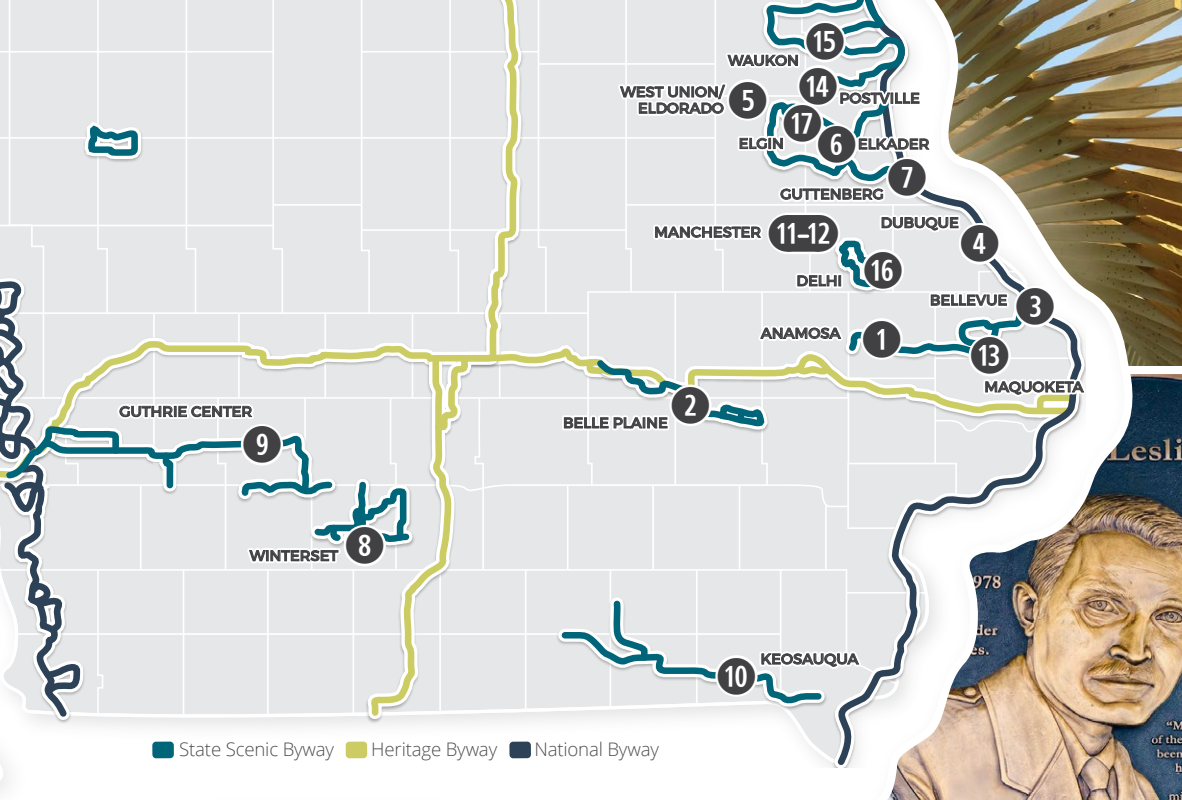
Selfie at Sound Park in Belle Plaine, IA



IOWA BYWAYS ART TOUR

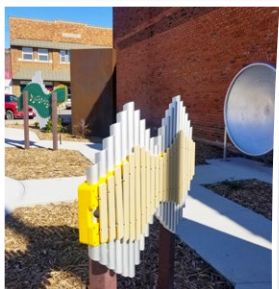


PUBLIC ART TRIP & RESOURCE GUIDE



1 Geared Up

Byway: Grant Wood | **Artist:** Cara Briggs Farmer
Location: Corner of S Elm and E Main Street, Anamosa, IA
 Peer through this steel sculpture of a Grant Wood-style window, in which images of the river and landscape are inset with motorcycle parts from the nearby National Motorcycle Museum.



2 Larry Schlue Memorial Sound Park

Byway: Iowa Valley & Lincoln Highway | **Artist:** John Schlue
Location: 711 12th Street, Belle Plaine, IA
 Transportation is part of Belle Plaine's history and identity. More than 70 trains pass through the downtown each day. In designing the sound park, the Belle Plaine born-and-raised artist was inspired by the trains he heard as a child. Make your own sound waves using the park's interactive instruments, and experience how train whistles and rumbles reverberate in the space.



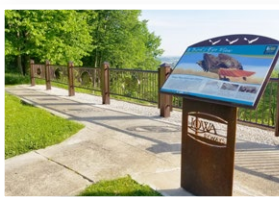
3 Living, Flowing Water, Ever-Changing

Byway: Grant Wood & Great River Road | **Artist:** Ronald K. Hansen
Location: 500 Block of S Riverview Drive, Bellevue, IA
 Overlooking the Mississippi River, this pair of sculptures represents historic steamboat smokestacks. Colorful, kinetic fish "swim around" the smokestacks in the wind.



4 Honey

Byway: Great River Road | **Artist:** Abigail Hedley
Location: 1685 Central Avenue, Dubuque, IA
 Inspired by the past and future of the neighborhood, this sculpture pays homage to nature with its many forms that convey warmth, dynamism, and tradition. The shape of the sculpture, which abstractly resembles a flame or flower, expresses childhood memories of family bonfires and a sense of wonder felt while exploring nature.



5 Artistic Overlook Barrier

Byway: River Bluffs | **Artist:** Dennis McElree
Location: 29191 Lincoln Road, West Union, IA
 Located in Goeken Park, which overlooks the community of Eldorado, this artistic steel fence illustrates the Turkey River Valley's history, culture and ecological diversity.



6 Three Bells

Byway: River Bluffs | **Artist:** Cara Briggs Farmer
Location: 211 S Main Street, Elkader, IA
 "Three Bells" features metal arches that reflect the rolling hills of the surrounding Iowa countryside. Ring this interactive sound sculpture in Founders' Park to echo the bells of the Clayton County Courthouse and St. Joseph's Catholic Church.



7 The Deepest Pattern

Byway: River Bluffs & Great River Road | **Artist:** Victoria Reed
Location: 500 Block of S River Park Drive, Guttenberg, IA
 This historic river town's walleye sculpture is just a short walk from the DNR Aquarium, Lockmaster's Heritage Museum, and Lock & Dam #10. While on-site, notice those aren't fish scales—they're streets and city blocks! Hidden on the sculpture is a map of the downtown. Can you find it?



8 George Stout Memorial

Byway: Covered Bridges | **Artist:** Michael Goodall
Location: 110 W Washington Street, Winterset, IA
 A tribute to Winterset's own George L. Stout, art historian, curator, and leader of "The Monuments Men", who helped save the world's most valuable works of art from the Nazis during World War II. The open book draws attention to Stout's many academic accomplishments in art conservation, while the negative space represents his tireless work behind the scenes.



9 Listen to the Wind

Byway: Western Skies | **Artist:** Hilde DeBruyne
Location: 307 State Street, Guthrie Center, IA
 This sculpture moves with the wind in the spirit of the Native American proverb incorporated into its design: "Listen to the wind, it talks. Listen to the silence, it speaks. Listen to your heart, it knows."



10 Van Buren County Family Farm Art Tribute

Byway: Historic Hills | **Artist:** Van Buren Artist Collaboration
Location: 20439 Hwy 1, Keosauqua, IA
 A large, barn-shaped sculpture celebrates the rich agricultural heritage of Van Buren County and expresses gratitude to area farmers for their longstanding efforts.



11 Three Elements

Byway: Delaware Crossing | **Artist:** Cara Briggs Farmer
Location: 314 W Main Street, Manchester, IA
 Three steel sculptures portray sun, water, and agriculture—three elements critical to Manchester's development and success.



12 Manchester Whitewater Park Mural

Byway: Delaware Crossing | **Artist:** Dan Hatala
Location: 302 S 2nd Street, Manchester, IA
 This colorful, large-scale mural makes a splash by showing recreationists enjoying the Maquoketa River at Manchester Whitewater Park.



13 Gables

Byway: Grant Wood | **Artist:** Daniel Caven
Location: 129-141 S Main Street, Maquoketa, IA
 In the heart of Maquoketa's downtown greenspace, this wooden structure provides outdoor seating and represents all residents of the "Timber City" living under the same roof of community.



14 Hometown to the World

Byway: Driftless Area | **Artist:** Steve & Peggy Kittelson
Location: 101 E Greene Street, Postville, IA
 Give the giant mosaic globe a spin, then look through each of the three surrounding teleidoscopes to create your own kaleidoscopic experience. Follow the vibrant ocean currents to find the color-changing glass animals on their home continents, monuments like the Statue of Liberty and pyramids of Egypt, and the tiny heart in grassy green Iowa glass. This installation was inspired by the diversity of the Postville community.



15 Crossroads

Byway: Driftless Area | **Artist:** Cara Briggs Farmer
Location: Corner of Main Street and Spring Avenue, Waukon, IA
 Inspired by colors represented in Native American culture and Waukon's offset intersection, this steel and painted plexiglass sculpture plays on colors and shapes.



16 Jump In

Byway: Delaware Crossing | **Artist:** Mike Seibert
Location: Corner of Franklin and 3rd Street (Delhi City Park), Delhi, IA
 A steel archway created by late artist and resident Mike Seibert highlights the area's family-friendly fishing, water skiing, and lakeside activities.



17 Eagle's Nest

Byway: River Bluffs | **Artist:** Dennis McElree
Location: Walking trail between Elgin & Clermont; 23493 Canoe Road
 The art piece that inspired it all! Located along the Turkey River Recreational Corridor Trail in Elgin, this sculpture features a giant eagle's nest with spotting scopes that enable visitors to view an actual eagle's nest. The nest's scale represents the approximate size of an eagle's nest if an average-sized adult human were an average-sized mature bald eagle.