

Art Museum Tours and Activities



John Michael Kohler Arts Center and Art Preserve Sheboygan, Wisconsin

Plan a Group Tour with Us!

Two Art Venues. Eight Galleries. Thirty-Five Artist-Built Environments.

Called “a gem of a museum” in the New York Times, the John Michael Kohler Arts Center and Art Preserve welcome day and extended group tours every year. Bus tours of all ages arrive year-round for the contemporary art exhibitions and personalized tours. Guided tours by docents and educators are customized based on timeframe, age range, activities, and interests.



John Michael Kohler Arts Center.

The original museum is located near Lake Michigan. The **John Michael Kohler Arts Center** offers rotating exhibitions featuring contemporary artists. Numerous artistic mediums are on display. Museum guides provide entertaining and informative walking tours through eight galleries. Known for having the top washrooms in the country, the Arts Center features six award-winning artist-commissioned facilities. Outdoor gardens feature scenic paths and sculptures. Enhance the tour experience with shopping in the gift shop, dining at the onsite café, and crafting hands-on art projects in the studio.



The Art Preserve of the John Michael Kohler Arts Center.

Opened in 2021, the **Art Preserve** is a few miles west of the Arts Center. It hosts the first and only collection of artist-built environments in the world. Discover fascinating large-scale works of art that invite exploring who we are and our relationship to the spaces we occupy. Visitors enter the Art Preserve through a “forest” of soaring timbers. Inside, they will find intriguing, multifaceted works of art by more than thirty-five artists who transformed homes, yards, and other spaces. Winner of the 2022 American Architecture Award.



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Top image: Installation view of works by
Neki Chand at the Art Preserve, 2021.



Planning Made Easy

From 8 to 50 People ... Let Us Customize Your Group Tour!

Our museums were designed for groups. Because of the convenient location and changing exhibitions, groups come back year after year. Sheboygan is located between Milwaukee and Green Bay on Interstate 43. Both museums offer easy drop-off and ample parking. Washrooms are near the front door for easy access. Large and small spaces (indoors and outdoors) are available for group dining.

We can customize your tour based on timeframe, capacity, ability, interests, age range, and budget.

Come see the award-winning washrooms, two sculpture gardens, ARTspace at the Shops at Woodlake in Kohler, street art and art installations around town, the James Tellen Woodland Sculpture Garden (10 miles away in Town of Wilson), and more!

MUSEUM HOURS: Tue., Wed., Fri.: 10:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.
Thurs.: 10:00 a.m.–8:00 p.m.
Sat., Sun.: 10:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m.
Closed Mondays and select holidays

Pricing and Fees

- Bus and motorcoach parking is free at both museums.
- Free admission for self-tour groups ... please make a reservation.
- Docent-led tours are \$10 per person, per location (8-person minimum).
- Hands-On Art Workshops available starting at \$20/person.
- Boxed lunches start at \$15 each and include a beverage.
- The above pricing does not include tax and gratuity.

Other Items to Know

- All tour visitors receive a small token to commemorate their visit.
- Each guest receives a 10% discount for the retail museum stores.
- Museums are ADA compliant and wheelchair accessible.
- One hour is recommended per museum. You can tour one or both museums.
- Free digital marketing kit available with photos and descriptions.



Live music weekly during the summer.



Midsummer Festival of the Arts every July!

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More to Do in Sheboygan County ...

Combine your group tour with other Sheboygan-area attractions including botanical gardens, shopping, award-winning dining, cheese tours, trails, museums, theatre productions, brewery tastings, racetracks, golf courses, and more! VisitSheboygan.com

1 Detail of Joy Feasley and Paul Swenbeck's *Listen, the Snow Is Falling* washroom installation at the Art Preserve, 2021. 2 A visitor explores the exhibition *Creative! Growth!* at the John Michael Kohler Arts Center, 2022. 3 James Tellen Woodland Sculpture Garden Open House, 2022. James Tellen, (center) untitled (mill tableau), n.d.; concrete and metal, (right) untitled (tavern scene tableau) (detail), n.d.; concrete and metal. John Michael Kohler Arts Center Collection, gift of Kohler Foundation Inc. 4 Visitors explore the work of Nek Chand at the Art Preserve, 2022. 5 Levitt AMP Sheboygan performance by Dustbowl Revival, 2022. 6 Midsummer Festival of the Arts.