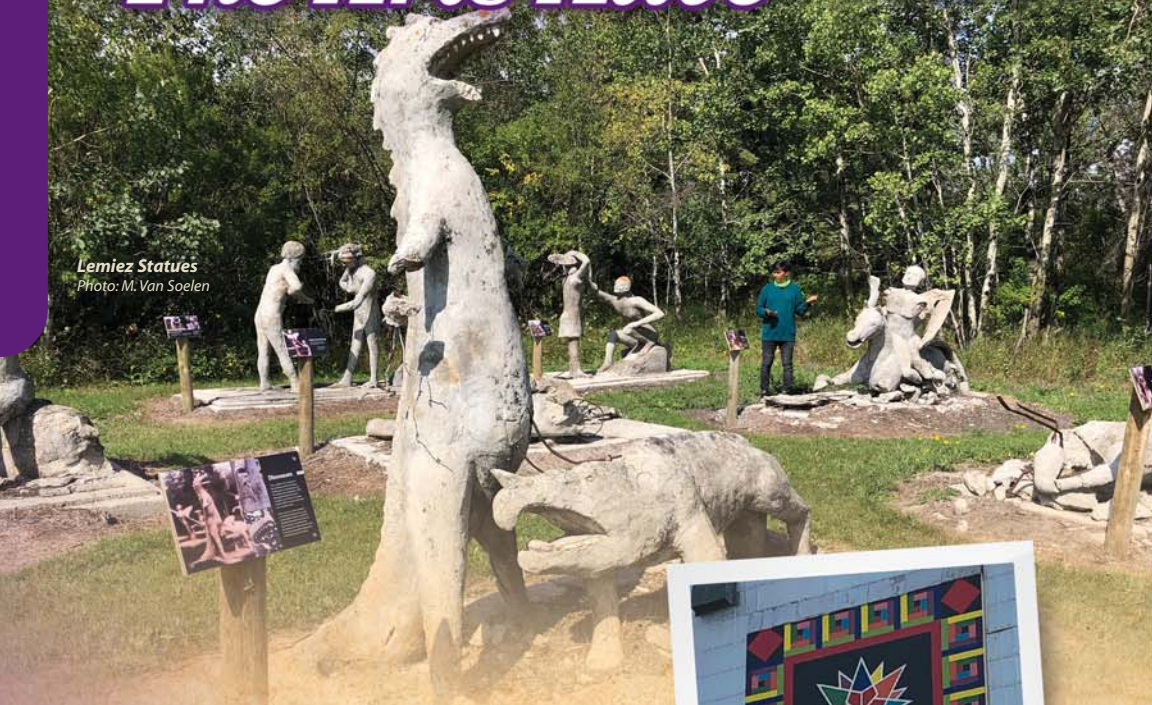


# “The Arts Alive”

**Lemiez Statues**  
Photo: M. Van Soelen



## Interlake “BARN QUILT Trail”



Quilts have always told a family's story; it's like their DNA! Join us as we are “**Quilting our Roots Together**” across the region on our **Interlake Barn Quilt Trail**. You'll take a self-guided tour of the Barn Quilt sites (over 50) viewing the colourful, painted quilt art enhancing the landscape. From Oak Hammock Marsh in the south to Steep Rock in the northwest, you'll see a variety of designs and enjoy the charm of the Interlake. The largest quilts to date in Manitoba and possibly Canada- there are 2 of them (12' by 12') over 60' high found on a 1948 Wooden Grain Elevator in Warren. You will discover several on Henderson Hwy also, so the Trail is around Lake Winnipeg to the east side of the Red River. Follow online to see the quilt locations grow to encompass the entire region. See: [interlakebarnquilts.com](http://interlakebarnquilts.com) Become a part of this wonderful gift of Art & Beauty! Would you like to join the Interlake Barn Quilt Trail? Contact: [info@interlaketourism.com](mailto:info@interlaketourism.com). Need a barn quilt painted for you? Contact: [aren2@live.ca](mailto:aren2@live.ca).

## Lemiez Statues

- Located approximately 1 mile south of Grahamdale, along PTH 6.

A rebirth has happened in the northwest area of the Interlake! Armand Lemiez, a painter and artist, originally from Belgium was a master at turning his farmland into his own outdoor gallery. Being a very creative man, he channeled his mind into both his farming and his art. Building his house to showcase his art was important; however, he was so prolific he ran out of room. Eventually he had to build a separate cinderblock building.



Canada 150 Barn Quilt on Elevator in Warren

At age 72 he began an ambitious project of creating 21 large concrete sculptures, designed to interact with their surroundings and on a wide range of subjects. Before his death he wished the government to turn his homestead into a park- it was decided his work was of “No cultural value,” the paintings were lost and the wilderness reclaimed his gallery. Explore the grounds now and glimpse into Lemiez's world of Sculpture. The site will be open seasonally - June – October, see the signage at the highway.

## “South of the Lakes Art Tour” with Prairie Oak Regional Arts Council



Talented, creative artists call the southwest area of the Interlake home. Touring, you will be visiting artisans and studios in the **Stonewall, Warren, Rosser, Stony Mountain and Teulon areas**. Their annual mid-September art show includes more than 15 sites to visit, often finding a group of artisans gathered at one location, increasing your experience. Creative art classes offered at the 55+ Centre in Stonewall. Call: 204-467-2163


**Quarry Park Heritage Arts Centre - Stonewall** 

Rebuilt from ashes this amazing new "hidden gem" has a theatre stage and sound system, room to host events, gala dinners, weddings and art exhibits. Huge glass walls allow natural light in, balconies overlook the old quarry with access during events. An amazing space for art exhibits, live entertainment, cultural events and more. Take in the heritage displays while you are there. See exhibits from South of the Lakes Art Tour here. Call: 204-467-7980.  
See: [stonewallquarrypark.ca](http://stonewallquarrypark.ca)



**Wm Kurelek Monument**

- Located at Hwy 7 & 67 in a roadside park. This monument celebrates the life and work of a renowned Ukrainian Canadian Interlake artist. Wm Kurelek was raised at a Dairy farm in the Stonewall area, starting out as a self taught artist. This monument depicts paintings sketched from his memories of growing up in the Interlake and later his visits home as well as a biography. Well known for 160 works on the Passion of Christ, William also illustrated a number of children's books.

**Arborg & District Multicultural Heritage Village [ADMHV]** 

- Located on the east side of Arborg on Hwy 68. A lifetime of recording Interlake history hangs on the walls in the Old parish hall at the Village. In 2014 Millard Barteaux, donated his entire collection of 200+ paintings of Interlake churches. The religious history of the pioneers & their struggles to maintain their faith while living in this new land is depicted for all time. For more on Bart's work, Go to: [arbortheritagevillage.ca](http://arbortheritagevillage.ca)  
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**Gwen Fox Gallery - Selkirk**

- Located at corner of Main St. & Manitoba Ave in Selkirk. Art and history blend wonderfully in this c1907 Selkirk Post Office Building, home to the Gwen Fox Gallery and the Selkirk Community Arts Centre Inc. The gallery showcases the GFG members works, exhibits change February through December. Onsite **Gallery Gift Shop**...support a local artisan. Open Tuesday to Saturday 11-4 pm, year-round, except January. See: [gwenfoxygallery.com](http://gwenfoxygallery.com) or Call: 204-482-4359. [GPS-N 50 08.695 W096 52.355]

**Ponemah Beach Central**

- Located at Central Ave. & Railway St., Ponemah. Heritage is right next door this c.1929 former Post Office/grocery store. You will find the Dunnottar Train Station next door. Call: 204-389-5682 or [dunnottarstation.org/artcentre](http://dunnottarstation.org/artcentre)

### Gimli Art Club & Sea Wall Gallery (GAC)



- Located at 3 Centre St. on Gimli's waterfront.

GAC has played a vital part of the growing arts community in the Interlake since 1969. Over 60 members takes on a greater role in the community with children's programs, workshops, and the renowned Seawall Gallery. The Seawall murals depict stories and history of the Interlake, painted and maintained by Gimli Art Club members. Gallery is open to the public daily from **May long weekend through September long from 11am - 5pm**. It features original paintings, collage works, pottery, glass work, photography and sculpture. A wide range of artistic endeavors provide you choices for that perfect gift for those special occasions. Proud partner in **The WAVE Tours** at Flag #30 in both June and September. After the September Long weekend, they open weekends from 11am-4pm until just before Christmas. During winter, it becomes a workshop space with times for classes in a diverse range of mediums, active in the community year-round. Call: 204-642-8217, See: [gimliartclub.com](http://gimliartclub.com) & FACEBOOK. [GPS-N50 37.910 W096 52.355]

### Gimli Film Festival



- Located in various sites around Gimli.

Annually, the Gimli Film Festival showcases over 100 feature films, documentaries and short films from Manitoba, Canada and abroad, that promise informative, fascinating and riveting entertainment. The five-day festival in July has free evening screenings on a 35-foot screen perched above the beautiful waters of Lake Winnipeg. When the sun sets on this scenic prairie town, thousands of people make their way down to Gimli beach with their blankets and chairs. They are dedicated to celebrating the art of film to empower, engage and inspire! It is the largest rural film festival in western Canada. Call: 204-642-8846 or see: [gimlifilm.com](http://gimlifilm.com) [GPS-N 50 37.853 W096 59.171]

### Lakeside Quilters

- Winners of the Interlake Tourism Association's 2016 Event of the Year under \$5,000 award.

Lakeside Quilters continue to quilt, enjoying the company of other fabric artists. They will be back next year with their displays of beautiful quilts and other handcrafted articles at their show. Interested in joining them? Email: [lakesidequiltersinterlake@gmail.com](mailto:lakesidequiltersinterlake@gmail.com) or visit: [facebook.com/lakeside.quilters.54](https://facebook.com/lakeside.quilters.54)

### The A-Spire Theatre & A-Spire Players

- Located on 2nd Ave., Gimli.

Live theatre, a Municipal Heritage 1905 church and the A-Spire Players makes for an excellent combination with performances by local talent and theatre groups from around the province. The A-Spire Theatre, with a unique steeple and a raven guarding the front door has performances mainly from June until the end of August, on weekends. Located on 2nd Ave., Gimli. Call: 204-641-4627

### "The WAVE Artists Studio Tour"



#### - Winnipeg Beach Arts & Culture Co-op

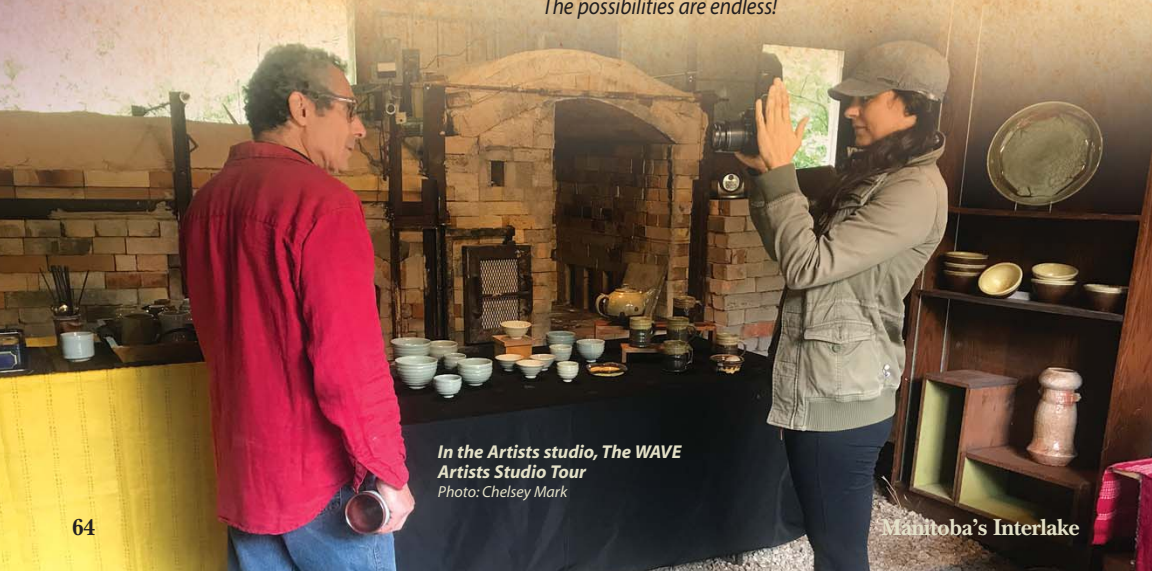
- Located in various artists Studios from Hwy 67 north to Arnes area along Hwy 8, 9 and 222.

The west shore of Lake Winnipeg has drawn and nurtured artists of every kind for many years now. Our annual self-guided driving tours which take place in June and then again in late August or September, give you a glimpse into the world of our many talented artists and artisans. Our artists welcome you into their studios to enjoy their artwork, chat about art and inspiration, view art being made, and maybe take home a treasure or two. Plan your trip for one day or two. Travel by way of Hwy 8 or 9 and 222, and watch for the Blue WAVE Flags along the way. You can pick up a brochure or look us up online ([watchthewave.ca](http://watchthewave.ca)) for information about each artist's studio and to see the map for planning a more detailed itinerary.

### Continuing in 2020... The Waves Just Keep on Rolling...

Some of The WAVE artists will make themselves available to groups throughout the year! In addition to the two annual tours WAVE artists are offering:

- Customized small group studio tours
  - Art activities for reunions, birthday & other celebrations
  - Group paint nights, demonstrations & presentations
  - Activities flexible with room to meet specific group needs
- Check out the Year-Round Activities section on [watchthewave.ca](http://watchthewave.ca).  
*The possibilities are endless!*



In the Artists studio, The WAVE Artists Studio Tour

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