



Ferry Dock & Landing  
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## TAKE A TOUR OR MIX & MATCH FOR A PERSONALIZED STROLL

These La Pointe walks (none more than 1.5 miles) offer highlights of our little town and allow plenty of time to stop on the beach, grab coffee or ice cream, or shop for Island originals.

### BIKERS

6.5 miles via Big Bay Road to Big Bay Town Park  
Canoe rental & Kayak tours: make arrangements downtown  
6 miles to Big Bay State Park via Middle Road

## EVERYDAY ART JUNKET TOUR

Round trip from Point 1 to Point 13 is 1.34 miles.

- 1 Pagoda:** Original wooden structure built c.1930s. Stone work was done by local masons, Hart Bros., later fortified by Tim Sullivan and Barb Brown.
- 2 Madeline Island Candles:** Hand-poured candles, local crafts, and gardens
- 3 Library Stepping Stones~Pat Gary DeBary Memorial Garden** was started by the Bayfield School District. Stones and tree signage honor loved ones. **The Library** features art and books by Island writers.
- 4 Wheeler Walkway:** Art of gardening junque with readily available material such as culverts made into planters (courtesy of Evan Erickson)
- 5 Stone Benches** by Tim Sullivan and Barb Brown, using Island and Lake Superior stones
- 6 Bell Street Gallery** See, hear, experience, art inspired by Lake Superior.
- 7 Tom's Burned Down Café:** Metal art, signs, junque, and other artful stuff
- 8 Art of Skateboarding:** Island teens collected donations and wrote grants – a dream come true.
- 9 La Pointe Center Art Gallery:** Rotating exhibits are offered May through October.
- 10 Metal Mobile Garden**
- 11 Woods Hall:** Art, weaving – an artist's co-op. Stone gathering benches by Tim Sullivan
- 12 Island Carvers:** Wood art and fairy village created by Island woodcarvers

Discover a **public art map** at  
[lapointecenter.org](http://lapointecenter.org)

## HISTORIC DOWNTOWN WALKING TOUR

Round trip from Point 1 to 9 is .6 miles.

- 1 U.S. Post Office** was part of the Old Mission Inn dining room addition built in 1900 and later moved to this site.
- 2 The Waterfront Building,** a simply-designed (circa 1900) building was once a grocery store.
- 3 The 4-ton Propeller** was salvaged from the tug *Ashland*, a working vessel used to tow log rafts on western Lake Superior in the early 1900s.
- 4 Madeline Island Museum Gete-gegoo-endazhi-waabanda'idung:** Explore the Island's rich history at Madeline Island Museum. Established in 1958
- 5 La Pointe School** is a quintessential two-room school house. In 2021, 12 elementary-age children attended.
- 6 Town Hall:** Designed in 1909 by Iron River Concrete Building Co. in a neo-classical style, town meetings have been held on this site since 1860.
- 7 St. Joseph Catholic Church** was built in 1901, to replace an earlier log structure destroyed by fire. Father Frederic Baraga established the first Catholic mission on the island in 1835, near the present-day marina.
- 8 Madeline Island Library Agindaasooowigamig:** Built as Bay View School in 1872-1873. Greek Revival style. Moved to present location in 1903. A front porch, two-story back addition, handicap accessible entrance, etc. were added.
- 9 Madeline Island Heritage Center:** Supported by the Madeline Island Historical Preservation Association, the story of the Island's history and its families is told through archival items that reflect life from the late 19th to early 20th century. Among the furnished buildings is the first protestant parsonage; the Angus House containing an early family archive of lake travel and fishing; the one-room Lakeview School which operated from 1905 to 1938; and a 130-year-old log bunk house from the pioneer Cadotte farm. The site also hosts a Veteran's Honor Garden and two murals of Island life.

### Guided Downtown Walking Tours

Inquire at the Ferry office or call 715-747-2051. Stroll in La Pointe with an Island guide. Learn history, news, and more. All ages. Free

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