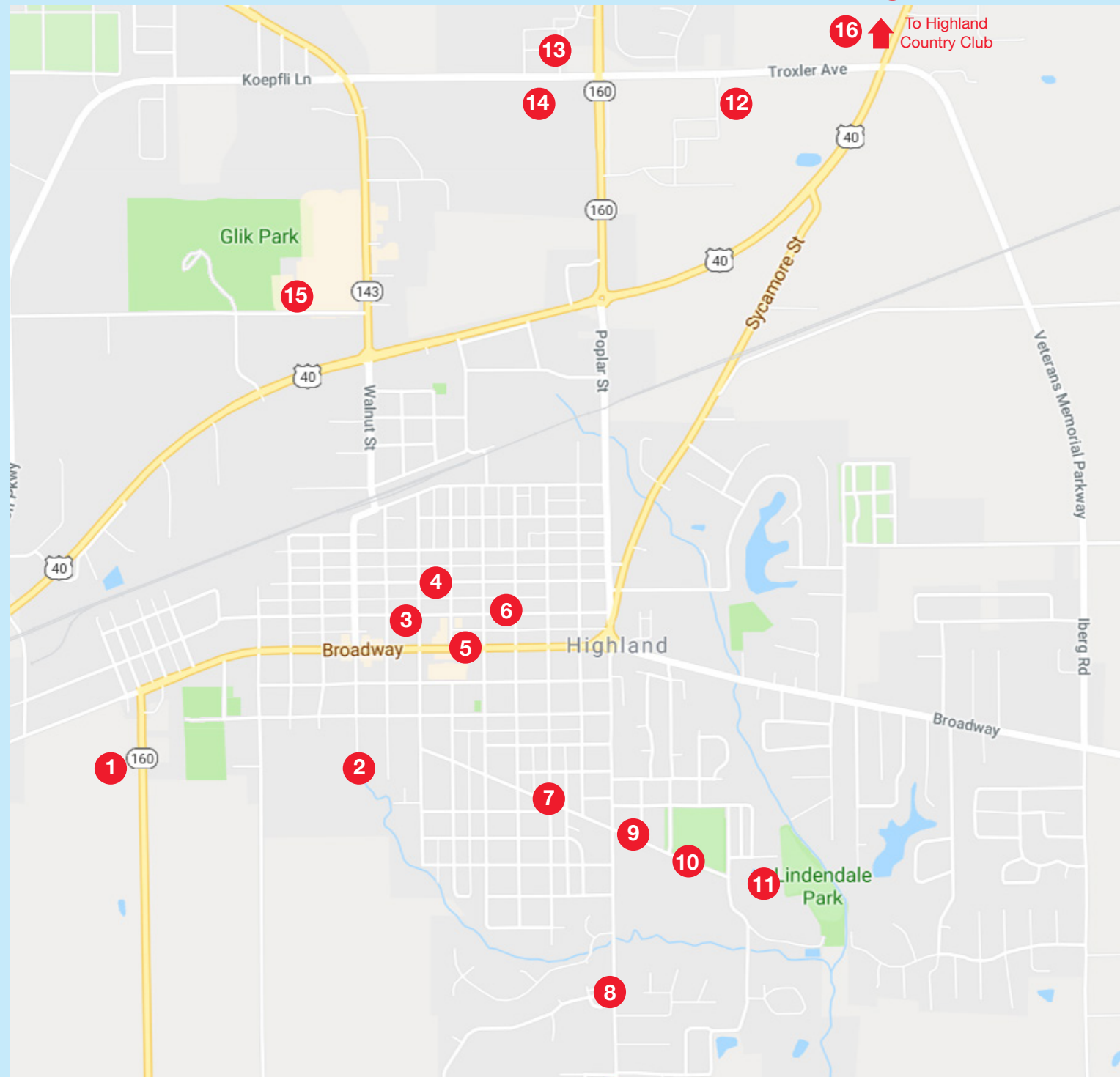


## Highland Art Walk



The Highland Arts Council (HAC), founded in 2003, actively promotes the arts in and around the community of Highland through a variety of activities and projects. HAC, a volunteer-run organization, provides a showcase for local artists and an educational opportunity for members of the community to be exposed to the arts. It enriches people's lives through the appreciation of and exposure to local artists and encourages community access to professional visual, literary, and performing artists and a variety of art forms, music, dance, literature, and theater. Our mission is to create a forum for people who share a love and interest in the ARTS.

### HAC's Major Projects

**Art in the Park**, an annual outdoor juried fine art show and sale with 60+ artists

**Art of Soul**, a 5-week, two-hour educational program for the Highland residents and surrounding communities

**Commissioned Art**, created for the delight of the entire community

**Art Affair**, an art-focused fund raiser

**Youth Arts Expo**, an event to highlight youth vocalists, instrumentalists, thespians, and visual artists

Sponsorship of **Hard Road Theatre**, the local community theater company

Sponsorship of **Heartland Community Chorus**, the local community chorus

Sponsorship of **Street Art Festival**, a festival of chalk artists

### We're Looking for YOU!

**Everyone who has a passion for the arts and the desire to join a wonderful community organization is welcome in the Highland Arts Council!** You may join as a Student, Individual, Family, Corporation, or Lifetime. Whatever your situation, you will be surrounded by friends who also love the Arts.

We have a lot of fun and we work hard to promote the Arts in the Highland community. We have long time members and we have new members. We welcome those who have lots to contribute and we welcome those who can only contribute a little. Either way, the Arts Council can be whatever you choose to make it and we're glad to have you... consider becoming a member today!

To join, go to [www.HighlandArtsCouncil.org](http://www.HighlandArtsCouncil.org).



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# HIGHLAND ART walk

*A self-guided tour of art within  
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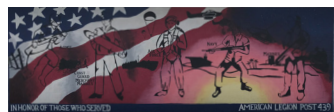
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1. *American Legion* – 1130 New Trenton Road, Highland, Illinois

**A.** This striking mural was commissioned by American Legion Post #439 in 2015 to honor the memory and service of the military men and women of Highland. Each branch of the military is depicted in silhouette, along with representations of some of the battles fought in United States history. The mural was created by artists Julie Korte and Veronica Jones.



2. *The Highland Home* – 1600 Walnut Street, Highland, Illinois

**B.** The Highland Home has an entire hallway filled with original artwork created by residents of The Highland Home and donations made from local artists. Enter the original part of the building any day from 9 am – 9 pm. Tours of the Highland Home Museum can also be scheduled.



3. *Highland Square* – 907 Main Street, Highland, Illinois



Arts Council.

**D.** "The Highland Mosaic" on the Square, designed by Pat Imming of Highland, who was the art teacher at the Highland Community School District, Elementary School. She brought in Lillyann Killen Rosenberg, a mosaic artist from Boston, to help to teach the concept in 1981. All of the children in her classes made individual pieces of clay art about Highland and Pat Imming arranged them to create the mosaic. The City Council approved its position prominently displayed on the City Square. Funds to bring in this expert were raised by Pat and her students from Highland businesses, organizations and individuals.



**E.** "Hide & Seek," tree sculpture created by Brian Willis of Granite City, Illinois, and commissioned by the Highland Arts Council, stands on the west side of the City Square. The tree was slated to be cut down by the City Park & Recreation Department because it had died, but was transformed into the sculpture you see now.

**F.** "The Arts" on Square, a tree sculpture created by Brian Willis of Granite City, Illinois, and commissioned by the Highland Arts Council through a sponsorship of the Chamber of Commerce's 2017 Street Art Festival, celebrates the arts within our City and, hopefully will recognize the Treehouse Arts Center we hope to build at the Silver Lake.

**G.** The Latzer Memorial Library is home to glass blown by the SIUC Art

4. *Louis Latzer Library* – 1001 Main Street, Highland, Illinois

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Department students as a demonstration at the 2013 Art in the Park, its tenth anniversary. It was commissioned by Highland Arts Council and donated to the Library.

**H.** Highland's iconic City Fountain, painted by Sheree Dvorachek of Belleville, Illinois, graces the Latzer Memorial Library and was commissioned by Highland Arts Council. It commemorates the beauty of the Fountain, built in 1937 in celebration of the City's centennial, and the forward-thinking of the founders of the City of Highland.



**I.** Kloss Furniture donated this 400-pound statue of a girl reading after purchasing the building previously owned by SuperValue in 2018. Curt Horstman from the Korte Co. restored it; the City Electric Department moved it; and the Korte Co. installed it. The Librarian, Angela Kim, named her Alice in honor of one of Louis Latzer's daughters and because she resembles Alice in Wonderland and the Cheshire Cat.

**J.** Many other pieces of art are scattered throughout the Library. Take your time to appreciate all of them.

5. *City Hall* – 1115 Broadway, Highland, Illinois



**K.** "Celebrating Highland's 175th Anniversary," created in 2012 by Lucy Telthorst Gish and her daughter, Mari, and commissioned by Highland Arts Council, decorates the outer wall of City Hall.



**L.** Inside City Hall, the original artwork created for the 175th Anniversary logo enhances the lobby walls. It was painted by Lynnette Schuepbach, an artist from Highland, and she donated it to the City.



**M.** This mixed media painting represents landmarks from each of the Sister Cities – Sursee in canton of Lucerne, Switzerland and Highland, Illinois, USA – was painted by local artist, Jerome Zobrist, and donated to the City of Highland in 1999.

6. *Chamber of Commerce* – 1216 Main Street, Highland, Illinois



**N.** The eye-catching stained glass rendition of the iconic downtown fountain on the Square can be seen right inside the Chamber's new office. It took six weeks to complete and contains 370 pieces. Creator, Val Buchmiller of Highland, credits his wife, Theresa, for making good color choices, and Val takes satisfaction in knowing that years from now, his grandchildren can say "My grandpa made that!"

7. *Lila's Garden* – corner of Olive Street and Lindenthal Avenue, Highland, Illinois



**O.** Sarah Walker of Highland was commissioned by the Highland Arts Council to create a clay sculpture/bird bath at the 2014 Art in the Park. It was donated to the Highland Garden Club's Lila's Garden.

**P.** "Girl and Boy Dancing" statue made from designer resin and hand-finished in a faux bronze finish was funded by the Highland Area Community Foundation Bob and Rita Hardy Beautification grant and a monetary gift from Don and Barbara Johannes in memory of Carol and Dwight Rogier, Jr. in 2014. It reminds Lila's Garden visitors of the care-free days of summer.



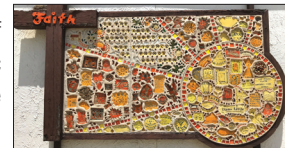
**Q.** The Curly-Q wind feature in Lila's Garden was created by Dave Drenzik of Tucson, Arizona. It was funded by the Highland Area Community Foundation Bob and Rita Hardy Beautification grant and a monetary gift from the Rita Hardy and Chinn families.

**R.** Lila's Garden is also the home of "Iron Garden Tool Sculpture" created by Gary Main of Barry, Illinois, in 2014. It was made from old farm implements and gifted to Lila's Garden by Mary and Denny Horton.



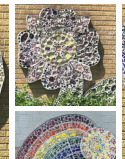
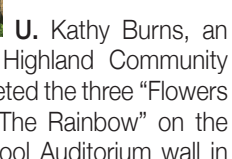
8. *Faith Countryside Homes* – 100 Faith Drive, Highland, Illinois

**S.** Pat Imming worked with the residents of Faith Countryside Homes to create a mosaic entitled "Faith" in 1986. It is outside the entrance.



9. *Highland Elementary School* – 1800 Lindenthal Avenue, Highland, Illinois

**T.** The Elementary School Auditorium wall was decorated by Pat Imming and her students with "The Butterfly Mosaic" in 1982, "The Learning Tree Mosaic" in 1984, "The School Bus Mosaic" in 1986, and "The Hot Air Balloon" in 1988.



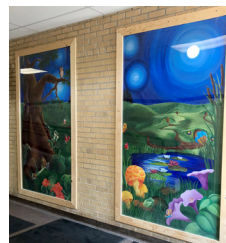
**U.** Kathy Burns, an art teacher at Highland Community Schools, completed the three "Flowers Mosaics" and "The Rainbow" on the Elementary School Auditorium wall in 1985.

10. *Highland Primary School* – 1600 Lindenthal Avenue, Highland, Illinois



**V.** A mosaic on the ground in front of the Primary School in memory of Amanda Blake was created in 1985. The individual pieces of the mosaics were created by the Elementary School students and pulled together by Kathy Burns.

**W.** "Fairy Fantasy," created in 2010 by Lucy Telthorst Gish and her daughter, Mari, and the first mural commissioned by Highland Arts Council, was donated to the Highland Primary School. It was placed in the hallway so that all students could appreciate its beauty.

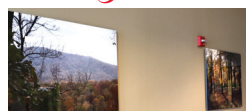


11. *Lindendale Park Swimming Pool* – corner of Park Hill Drive and Lindenthal Avenue, Highland, Illinois

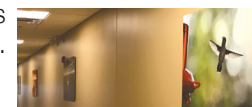
**X.** "Underwater Fantasy," also created by Lucy Telthorst Gish and her daughter, Mari, in 2011 was commissioned by Highland Arts Council and beautifies the outdoor swimming pool building at Lindendale Park.



12. *St. Joseph's Hospital & Medical Building* – 12866 Troxler Avenue, Highland, Illinois



**Y.** Photography from local artists was a result of a contest encouraging people to submit images from around the region that they felt would encourage the healing process for patients at the hospital. Work from various artists hangs throughout the walls of the hospital. Photos were donated by the artists and produced by St. Joseph's Hospital. (Visit public spaces only.)



**Z.** The statue of Saint Francis of Assisi was created by artist, Tom Foppe and made possible through a bequest of a donor who felt a deep connection with the Franciscan heritage of HSHS St. Joseph's Hospital. Tom carved the life-sized statue from clay with intricate detail of a wolf, squirrel and bird, which accompany Francis. It was then cast in bronze and was blessed and dedicated in 2018.



13. *Highland Middle School* – 2813 IL 160, Highland, Illinois



**AA.** This floral triptych was based on a photo taken by Brady Kesner of Highland and pixilated and drawn and divided on three 2' x 4' panels by Alisha Bailey. The Highland community painted the pixilated pieces square-by-square at the Spring Bloom Festival, Street Art Festival, Art in the Park, and Youth Arts Expo. The Highland Middle School framed each piece and hung it for all of the students and community to enjoy.

14. *Highland High School* – 12760 Troxler Avenue, Highland, Illinois

**BB.** The "Floating Ball" sculpture in front of the Highland High School was created by the manufacturing class taught by Joe Schaefer. It shows that the Arts are an important component of the educational system in Highland.



**CC.** "Geese in Flight" at Highland High School was created by the manufacturing class taught by Joe Schaefer in 2005. The metal geese are positioned such that a flock takes off from the Middle School and lands at the High School symbolizing the students' transitions from Middle School to High School.

**DD.** "Geometrics" was also created by the manufacturing class at the High School illustrating that art can be created while learning industrial skills.



15. *Glik Park* – 12525 Sportsman Road, Highland, Illinois



**EE.** (left) "Reimagine" a sculpture created by Marianist Monk Brother Mel Meyer and purchased by Highland Garden Club sits at Glik Park. During his lifetime, Brother Mel produced over 10,000 works of art in numerous and diverse mediums.

**FF.** (right) "Memorial Statue for Blanche Hediger" at Glik Park was created by Alex Kovac, born in Budapest, Hungary and now living in New York State. It was funded by Blanche Hediger's family.



**GG.** (left) "Memorial to Cara Gruenfelder" was installed at Glik Park in 2006 and created by Haubner.

**HH.** (right) The gong at the entrance to the Labyrinth at Glik Park was created by Highland High School manufacturing class and installed in 2006. Please, feel free to walk the Labyrinth for a relaxing end to the Art Walk in Highland, Illinois.



16. *Highland Country Club* – 13403 Country Club Road Route 40, Highland, Illinois

**II.** In 2019, a member of the Highland Country Club anonymously commissioned Brian Willis to create two chain-saw carved sculptures from trees that were scheduled to be removed.

