TREMONTON & GARLAND AREA

PUBLIC ART TOUR

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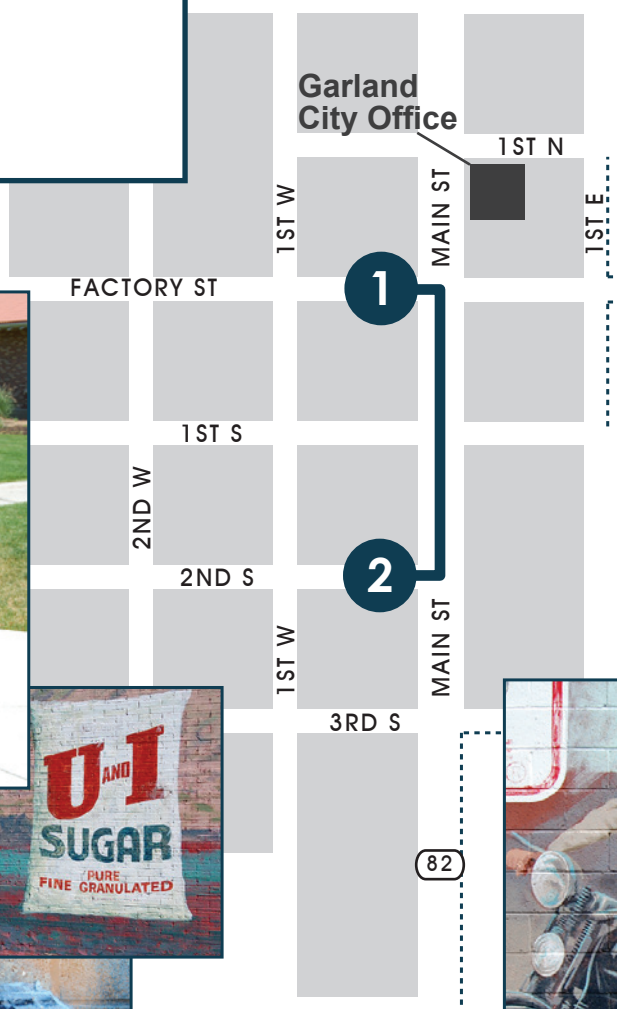
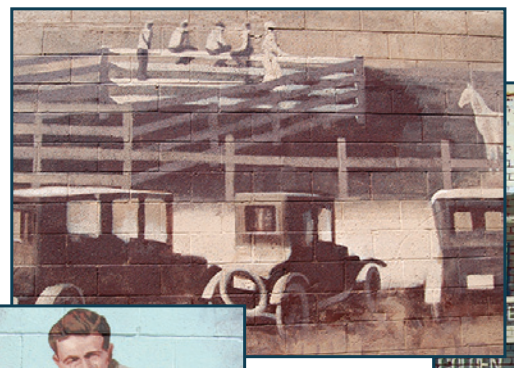


NOTE: IT IS ROUGHLY 2 MILES BETWEEN GARLAND AND TREMONTON CITY.

This self guided walking tour allows you to be steps away from works of art in the Bear River Valley. Much is known regarding the history of the artwork and the artists who created it.

We invite you to experience this work up close and learn about the significant people and events that help define the life and character of this region.



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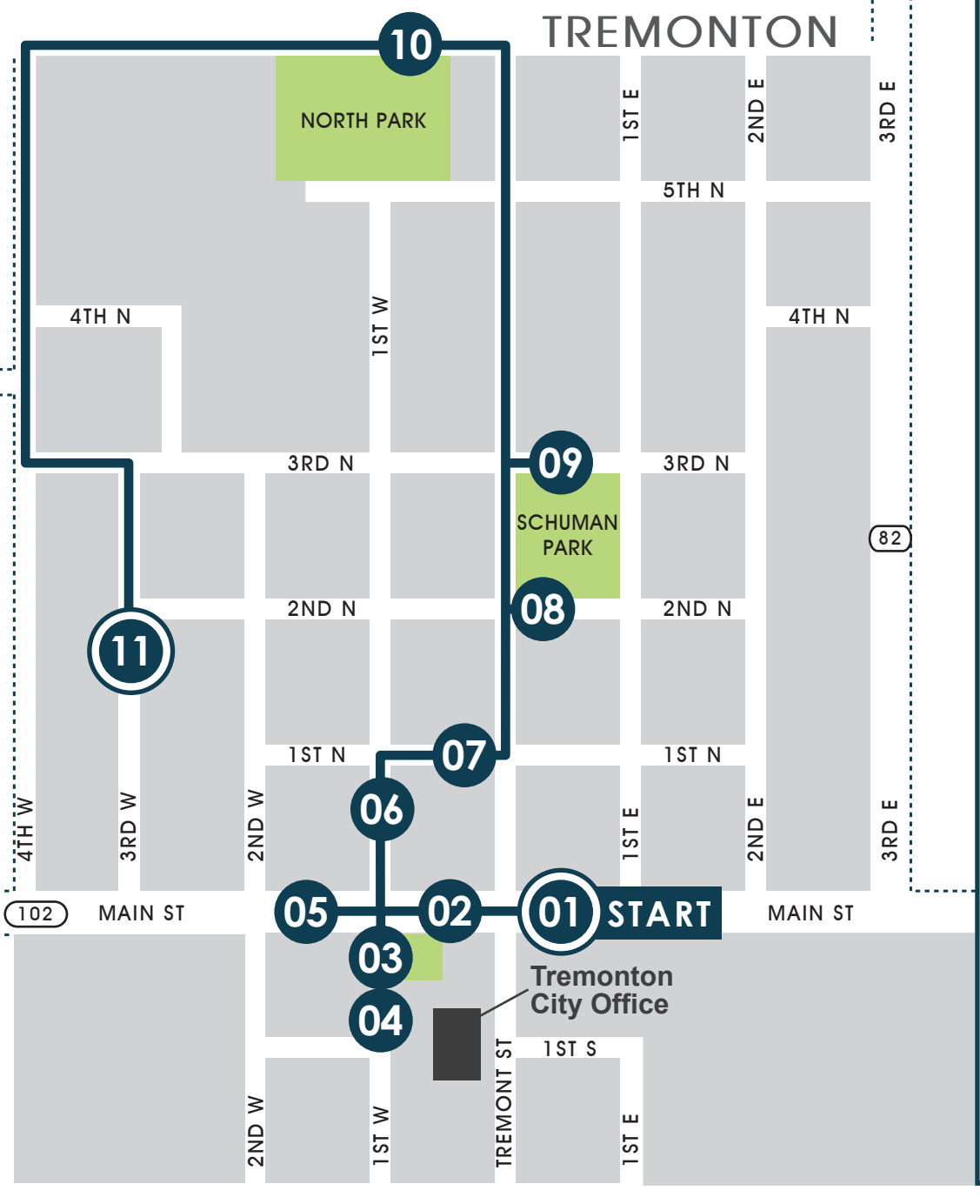

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PUBLIC ART TOUR INFORMATION

TREMONTON

1 1920's Downtown Welcome Mural
25 E. Main

Downtown Welcome Mural depicts Tremonton's Main street ca. 1920. The mural was created from a photograph provided to the City by Barry Cole in celebration of the Tremonton City Centennial in 2003. The mural was completed in 2014 by local artist Jason Nessen and funded in part by grants provided by Box Elder County Tourism Tax Advisory Board and by the Utah Division of Arts & Museums.

2 Midland Hotel Mural
41 W. Main

Midland Hotel Mural gives the glimpse of a grand hotel and once city landmark built in 1914 by David Holmgren on the corner of Main Street and 100 West. The hotel was advertised by the phrase "Well Furnished Rooms & Meals à la Carte and of the Best." Mr. Holmgren also served as Mayor of Tremonton from 1924 to 1927. The Hotel and surrounding buildings were destroyed by a fire in the early morning hours of January 31, 1995 and Midland Square now stands in its place. The mural was created from a photograph by local artist, Jason Nessen in 2003, and was funded in part by the David Holmgren Family and by Jay D. & Alice C. Harris.

3 Midland Square Veterans Memorial
31 S. 100 W.

Midland Square Veterans Memorial is part of Midland Square Park created in downtown Tremonton where the historic Midland Hotel once stood. The memorial was conceived by A. C. Christensen of Elwood, Utah, who supervised its construction. Mr. Christensen was a veteran of World War II, and spent three and a half years in a Japanese prison camp. The memorial consists of a block-shaped monument displaying portraits of the four Borgstrom brothers from nearby Thatcher, Utah who died within six months of each other in 1944, during World War II. Jackie Allred Hunlow sculpted the portraits. Overlooking the monument is a larger-than-life bronze statue of a soldier gazing at the four brothers. The statue stands 7-feet 7-inches tall and was sculpted by local artist Val Lewis. Surrounding the memorial are stainless steel plaques where the names of over 3,000 local veterans are etched according to the wars in which they served. The memorial was dedicated on August 18, 2001. Funding to construct the mural was provided by private donations.

4 Mountain Mural
51 S. 100 W.

Mountain Mural exists on an older building that once housed the City Fire Department and City Offices from the 1930's through the early 1970's. The building is now used for storage by a local business. See "Teton Murals" to read about how this mural may have appeared at this location.

5 1st Golden Spike Rodeo Mural
140 W. Main

1st Golden Spike Rodeo Mural is inspired by a photograph taken in 1925 of the first county rodeo; also believed to be the oldest and longest running rodeo in the State of Utah. The original location of the rodeo grounds was near 300 North and 400 West in Tremonton. The mural was painted by local artist, Jason Nessen in 2007, and funding was provided by a grant from the Box Elder County Tourism Tax Advisory Board.

6 Jeppsen Family Collage Mural
60 N. 100 W.

Jeppsen Family Collage Mural was commissioned by the Darrell Jeppsen family in 2008. It depicts the life of an influential Garland/Tremonton family and long time owners of several area businesses, some of which are still in operation today. The mural was painted by local artist Jason Nessen.

7 Home Mural
100 N. 25 W.

Home Mural was commissioned by Bear River Valley Realty, a local Real Estate firm. The mural was painted by local artist, Jason Nessen in 2007. **Note how the actual building windows are incorporated into the mural.*

8 Library Statue
200 N. Tremont St.

Library Statue is where characters come to life as children read from the story of Peter Pan. The bronze statue was sculpted by local artist Val Lewis in 2007 and sits on Shuman Park property in front of the Library. Funding for the statue was provided by community donations.

9 Shuman Park Bell
300 N. 48 E.

Shuman Park Bell honors John Shuman, one of the first settlers of Tremonton, who in 1903, donated a portion of his homestead for the creation of a community park, known today as Shuman Park. It is also a place of honor for the Town Bell that tolled curfew to children for 25 years, and rang for special occasions or emergencies until being replaced by an electric siren in 1936. The Tremonton City Library, built in 1927, sits on the southwest portion of the park property where the bell and monument were erected on July 24, 1970. The bell and monument were relocated from the front of the library to its current location in July 2014.

10 Sports Mural
600 N. 100 W.

Sports Mural is a collage of youth participating in sports activities for which North Park is celebrated. Located on the concession building on the grounds of North Park, this mural will be completed in the spring of 2015 by local artist Jason Nessen, and funded in part by grants provided by Box Elder County Tourism Tax Advisory Board and by the Utah Division of Arts & Museums.

11 Mountain Mural 2
160 N. 300 W.

Mountain Mural 2 painted on the side of the scale house at a site of one of the first grain mills in Tremonton. To read about how this Mural may have appeared at this location, see "Teton Murals."

GARLAND

1 U & I Sugar Beet Factory Mural
10 W. Factory

U & I Sugar Factory Mural. The sugar factory was built in Garland in 1903 by William Garland. After 75 years, the last beet was processed and the factory was closed in 1978. The mural was painted by local artist Jason Nessen in 2004.

2 Mountain Mural
204 S. Main

Mountain Mural. To read about how this Mural may have appeared at this location, see "Teton Murals."

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

TETON MURALS

According to the *Ogden Standard-Examiner*, local legend credits the painting of the Mountain Murals to a mystery muralist from the 1970s who painted landscape murals on buildings around Tremonton and other locales as well as nearby Cache County. The mystery muralist's work always featured mountains, streams and wildlife; often depicting the Grand Tetons, the famous mountains in the National Park of the same name near Jackson, Wyoming. As the legend goes the mystery muralist was a hippie, who supposedly used his hair to make his paint brush bristles.

PROPOSED MURALS, MONUMENTS, & ART

Below are some additional ideas for public art that reflect the historic and cultural identity of Tremonton City, Garland City, and surrounding areas. Financial donations are critical for the creation of future public art, and citizens, coorporations, or private businesses are encouraged to support the arts in their community. Please contact Tremonton City at 435-257-9500 or Garland City Offices at 435-257-3118 for additional information regarding these proposed future public art projects.

- **BEAR RIVER LADIES SOFTBALL STATE CHAMPS -** The Ladies Bear River High School Softball team were 5-peat 3A state champions from 2008 – 2012. Go, Bears!

- **DRIVING THE GOLDEN SPIKE, 1869 PROMONTORY, UTAH -** Andrew J. Russell's "East and West Shaking Hands at Laying of Last Rail." Commonly known as "The Champagne Photo." The National Park Service maintains the Golden Spike National Historic Site, approximately 27 miles west of Tremonton. Within an 8 mile radius, visitors can experience one hundred years of transportation history by visiting the Golden Spike National Historic site, where the transcontinental railroad was completed in 1869, and visiting the rocket display at ATK, where scientists helped put a man on the moon exactly 100 years later in 1969.

- **FLYWAY CORRIDOR FOR MIGRATORY BIRDS -** The Refuge is 76,000 acres in size, which provides habitat for over 250 species of birds. The Bear River Migratory Bird Refuge is located on the edge of two migration corridors the Pacific and Central Flyways. Because of this location, migrating birds from both flyways use the Refuge. The Great Salt Lake and surrounding wetlands are some of the most important breeding and staging areas for migratory birds in the western hemisphere. The Bear River Migratory Bird Refuge is located approximately 18 miles south of Tremonton, exit 363 on Interstate 15.

- **GLEN GOSS MEMORIAL -** Glenn Goss from Tremonton, Utah who gave his life assisting a Nevada Highway Patrolman in an attempt to arrest a fugitive. The fugitive seized the trooper's gun and fired, killing Glenn Goss. A memorial plaque dedicated by Las Vegas Law Enforcement and Businessmen currently hangs in the Tremonton City Civic Center.

- **JAY SILVESTER -** L. Jay Silvester, born 27 August 1937, Tremonton, Utah, is a retired American athlete who mainly competed in the discus throw. He competed in the Summer Olympics in 1964, 1968, 1972, and 1976, and finished in fourth, fifth, second, and eight place, respectively. He also won a bronze medal at the 1975 Pan American Games. During his long career, Silvester won five AAU discus titles and set four world records, two in 1961 and two in 1968. His personal bests were 70.38 m in the discus (1971, unofficial world record) and 20.01 m in the shot put. After retirement as an athlete he worked as professor of physical education at Brigham Young University.

- **MARLON SHIRLEY -** This 10-time World Champion and Paralympic champion was raised in Tremonton. Marlon Shirley has overcome many challenges in his life, and has not only found a way to prevail, but has found the drive to become a world-class athlete. He holds two world records, in the 100-meter dash and the long jump. In 2000, at the Paralympic Games in Sydney, he won the 100-meter dash and took silver in the high jump. He was thefirst lower leg amputee to break the 11-second mark in the 100-meter dash, setting a time of 10.91 seconds in 2007. At the 2004 Olympic Games in Athens, Marlon Shirley won the Paralympic 100-meter gold medal for the second time. He has been called "the world's fastest amputee."

- **SPACE SHUTTLE LAUNCH -** The booster rockets that propelled the space shuttle Columbia into space on April 12, 1981 were designed and manufactured in Box Elder County, Utah. The program began in 1972, and its final flight on July 8, 2011 was described as both inspiring and captivating. The shuttle program represents a signifanct achievment for the United States Space Program and the people of the Bear River Region who are a part of its history. Visitors can view an outdoor display of solid rocket motors at the Alliant Techsystems Inc. (ATK) launch facility, approximately 21 miles west of Tremonton.

- **THE CANDY BOMBER -** From laboring on a sugar beet farm in Tremonton and Garland, Utah to fulfilling his dream of flight. Colonel Gail S. "Hal" Halvorsen, a retired Air Force pilot became known as the original Candy Bomber or the "Rosinenbomber" to the children of post World War II Germany.

- **TREMONTON CITY VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT, CA.1920 -** Photograph of a group of local residents and businessman as "Volunteer Firefighters." The Tremonton Volunteer Fire Department was officially organized by the City Council on April 4, 1938, including the purchase of an American-La France fire engine for $7,078.17.

- **TREMONTON DOWNTOWN IN THE 1950'S -** A Post Card by Eric J. Seaich as a garden spot for those who want the peace of rural living with all the advantages of the city, located in the heart of the beautiful Bear River Valley.

- **WAGONS AND TRAINS -** An image in 1869 at the northern edge of the Great Salt Lake where the Jupiter of the Central Pacific Railroad meets covered wagons.

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