



NATIONAL
COWBOY
& WESTERN HERITAGE
MUSEUM

Guide to America's Premier
Western Heritage Museum

Galleries and Points of Interest

1. Dub and Mozelle Richardson Theatre – Serves as a lecture hall and presentation space. Stop to view the Museum's orientation film, narrated by Tom Selleck.

2. The End of the Trail – Standing 18 feet tall and weighing approximately four tons, James Earle Fraser's magnificent and powerful sculpture creates a dramatic first impression. 


3. Canyon Princess – This 18-foot tall, 16,000-pound white cougar reigns over the Edward L. Gaylord Exhibition Wing at the west end of the main corridor. Carved from a single block of flawless Colorado yule marble, this sculpture was a gift to the Museum from Prix de West Award-winning artist Gerald Balciar. 


4. Robert S. and Grayce B. Kerr Changing Exhibition Gallery – This gallery features touring exhibitions including those on loan from other museums and special in-house exhibitions including Prix de West.

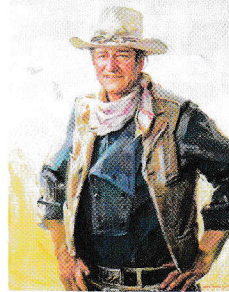
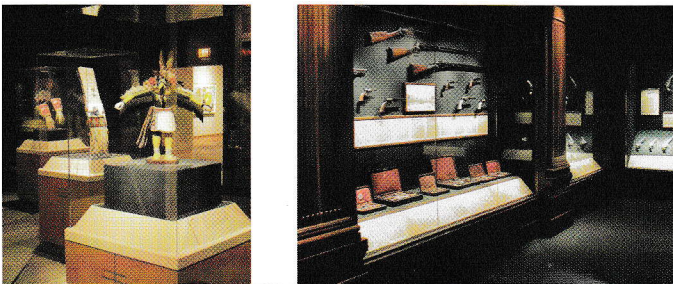
5. William S. and Ann Atherton Art of the American West Gallery – Home to many prized art pieces from the Museum's well-known permanent collection, including paintings and sculptures from Prix de West Purchase Award winners and works from such master artists as Charles Russell, Frederic Remington, Albert Bierstadt and William R. Leigh.


6. Arthur and Shifra Silberman Gallery of Native American Art – Native American fine art from the Museum's premier collection adorns this gallery. The exhibitions in this area change two to three times each year, emphasizing an exciting new aspect of Native American art.


7. The Weitzenhoffer Gallery of Fine American Firearms – Enjoy one of the finest collections of American firearms in the West in a setting that resembles an English gentleman's study. The collection includes Colt®, Remington®, Sharps® and Winchester® firearms.


8. Native American Gallery – This area shows how Native Americans expressed their world view through design elements on clothing, tools and utensils. Learn how different tribes, using similar motifs but utilizing different natural materials, expressed their way of life.  NO FLASH

9. American Cowboy Gallery – This tribute to the working cowboy is devoted to cowboy history and culture and the evolution of ranching in America. Allow yourself plenty of time to study and admire priceless collections, including saddles, bridles, barbed wire and the rawhide works of master braider Luis Ortega.  NO FLASH

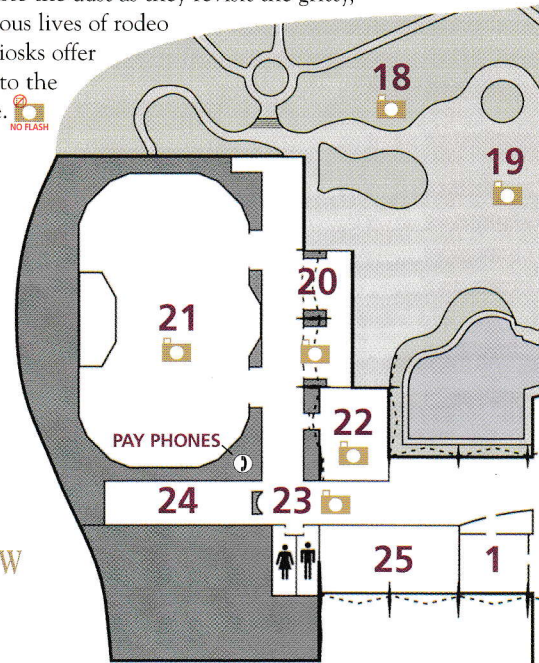
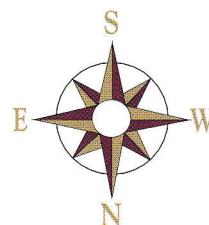


10. Western Performers Gallery – Opened in 2003, this presentation explores the various ways the West has been interpreted in literature and film. Honoring Western performers who have contributed to the making and preservation of the stories and legends of the West, the gallery features the Museum's extensive collection of memorabilia, including the John Wayne Collection of personal firearms, kachinas and artwork.  NO FLASH

11. The Joe Grandee Museum of the Frontier West – Learn about the military in the West, hunting on the frontier, mountain men and Native Americans in this lively presentation on the history of the West. This impressive collection was amassed by Joe Grandee, a Western illustrator who used these artifacts to translate authentic details to his narrative paintings.  NO FLASH

12. American Rodeo Gallery – Set in a lifelike 1950s arena, this gallery showcases artifacts of rodeos, including history, champions, clothing, equipment and memorabilia. Through the use of audio-visual elements, guests can almost taste the dust as they revisit the gritty, exciting and dangerous lives of rodeo heroes. Computer kiosks offer details of inductees to the Rodeo Hall of Fame.  NO FLASH

 Photography allowed only in these areas.



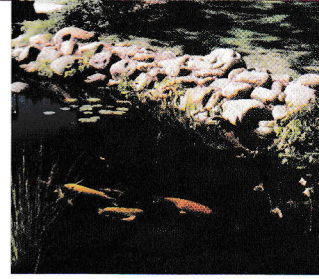
13. Prosperity Junction – Enter this circa 1900 Western cattle town at dusk and revisit life in a bygone era where full-size structures, including a saloon, school and church, bring the experience to life. 📷

14. The Atherton Garden – A natural garden facing the William S. and Ann Atherton Gallery. 📷

15. The Norma Sutherland Garden – A splashing waterfall, peaceful ponds with fish, flagstone walks and a profusion of natural vegetation make this garden a high point. 📷

16. The Browne Family Great Plains Coca-Cola Pavilion – Used for special school group events by reservation only. 📷

17. Children's Cowboy Corral – In this hands-on, interactive area for children, seldom are heard the words, "Don't Touch." Everything is geared for little buckaroos who can dress up like cowboys, learn about ranch life and pretend they're in a real bunkhouse, surrounded by mountain terrain. 📷



18. The Jack and Phoebe Cooke Gardens – Follow the flagstone walks, native plantings and winding streams to the graves of infamous rodeo bull Tornado and famous bucking horses Midnight and Five Minutes to Midnight. A recent addition is the headstone of legendary steer wrestling horse Baby Doll. Sculpture highlights

include *Buffalo Bill* by Leonard McMurry, the *Paint Mare And Filly* by Veryl Goodnight, and *Ring of Bright Water* and *Sentinels* by Kent Ullberg. 📷

19. Western States Plaza – Colorful plants, fountains, art and architecture surround this peaceful gathering place. 📷

20. Dining on Persimmon Hill – One of the city's popular restaurants, Dining on Persimmon Hill features an inviting buffet and a large menu selection. The view of the plaza and gardens is a feast for the eyes. Open daily for lunch. Catering available. 📷

21. Sam Noble Special Events Center –

The Center is a showcase for legendary landscape artist Wilson Hurley's five panoramic triptychs of the American West. Each scene measures 18 x 46 feet. Available on a fee basis for conferences, banquets and other activities. 📷



22. S.B. "Burk" Burnett Board Room – Available for meetings, conferences and receptions on a reserved and fee basis. 📷

23. Abraham Lincoln – This heroic statue is James Earle Fraser's portrayal of President Lincoln, sitting in a quiet meditation during the early days of the Civil War. Lincoln made remarkable contributions to the settlement of the West. 📷

24. Robert and Grace Eldridge Gallery – A setting for recent acquisitions purchased by the Museum and archival materials from the Museum's Dickinson Research Center.

25. Nona Jean Hulsey Rumsey Art Education Center – In these classrooms, adult and children programs focus on art and Western history.

26. The Museum Store – Remember your special Museum experience with a souvenir from The Museum Store. Browse books, jewelry, toys, sculptures and so much more. Member discount available.



27. The Remuda – You may have seen this remarkable outdoor art on your way in. Artist Tom Ryan created an impressive mural, a monumental salute to the West, stretching 360 feet long along the entire western facade of the Museum. 📷

