

Public Art Tour

Your guide to Orangeville's
top 10 public art pieces



DRIVE
12 km

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WALK
1 km



TIME
1.5 hours

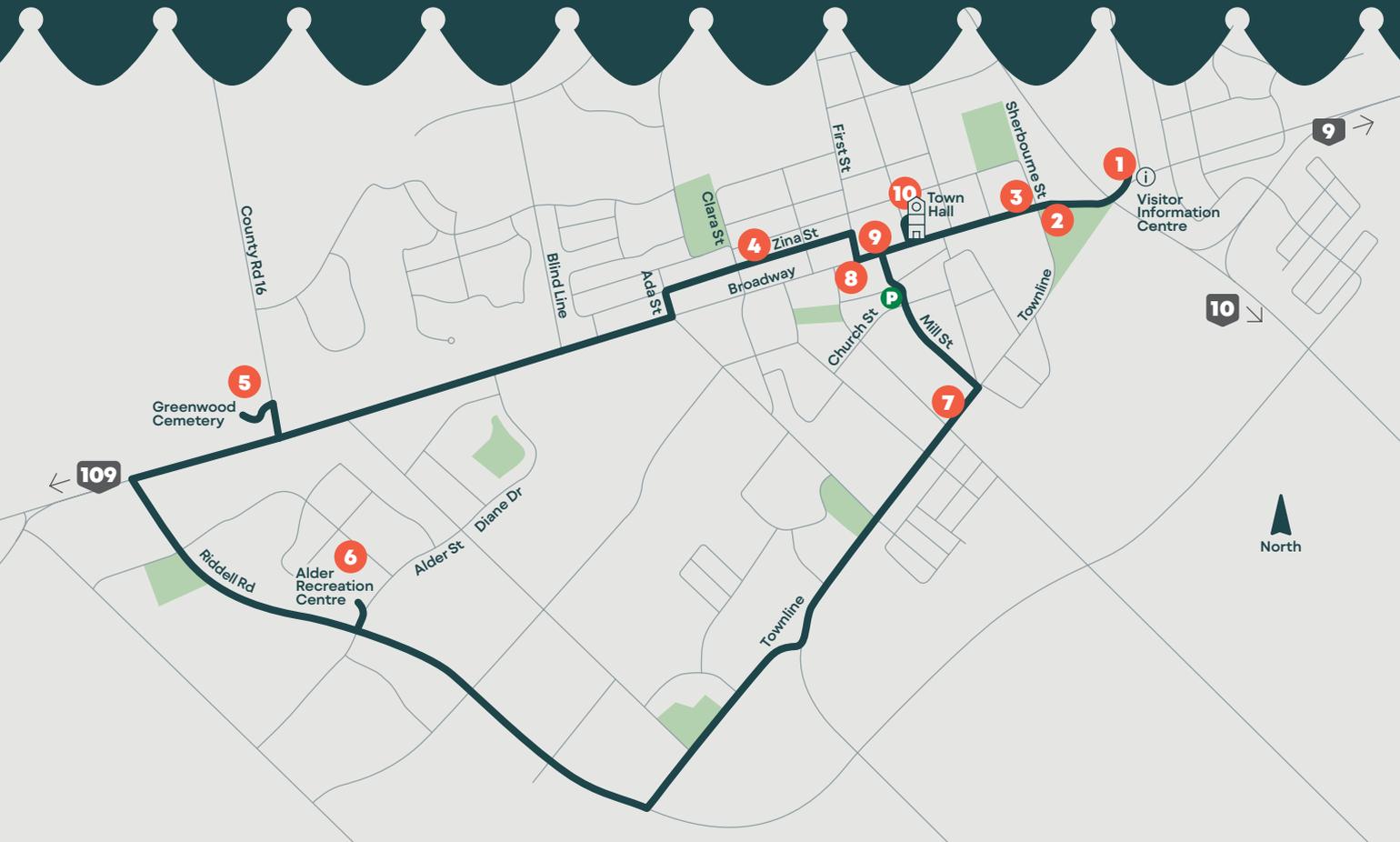


TERRAIN
Streets, sidewalks

Experience the best of Orangeville's impressive collection of public art.

Over 70 public art installations are on display throughout Orangeville. Tree sculptures, utility box art, statues, and murals all contribute to our diverse collection.

While finding each piece is certainly a worthy endeavour, we wouldn't want you to miss any of our favourites. So we have curated this self-guided tour to lead you to the must-see public art pieces in our community.





1 Mantis Queen Sculpture

The Mantis Queen is seven metres tall and weighs one ton. The interactive sculpture has a commanding presence and is ideally located in close proximity to Island Lake Conservation Area. Created originally as a private commission, it was donated to the Town in 2017.

- 📍 200 Lakeview Court
- 📍 Visitor Information Centre
- 👤 Ron Baird (ronbairdartist.com)
- 🚗 Next stop: Drive west on Broadway to Sherbourne St., park in lots at intersection of Broadway/Sherbourne St. Walk to southeast corner.



2 Dragon Timber Tree Sculpture

The Dragon Timber was created with an 11-foot white pine log originally destined for firewood. It's main body, wings and the obelisk were sculpted from the main log with an extrusion of 52 inches for the wings. The neck and head were sculpted separately and then attached to the sculpture.

- 📍 Broadway & Sherbourne St. (SE corner)
- 📍 Nearby parking lots
- 👤 Paul & Jacob Frenette (rantandrave.ca)
- 🚗 Next stop: Cross the streets to the northwest corner of Broadway/Sherbourne St. intersection.



3 Dufferin Bovines Utility Box

This colourful painting celebrates the agricultural roots of Dufferin County with a contemporary and animated approach. The artist was inspired by a surprising interaction with a local herd of cows.

- 📍 Broadway & Sherbourne St. (NW corner)
- 📍 Nearby parking lots
- 👤 Wendy Reid (arthavenbywendyreid.com)
- 🚗 Next stop: Drive west on Broadway, turn north on First St., then west on Zina St.



4 Tribute to Dogs and Cats

Tree Sculptures

This pet-friendly area features two tree sculptures. One is a tribute to the Black Labrador and Sheltie owned by the residents of 65 Zina Street. Not to be outdone by their canine friends, three cats are perched across the street in a sculpture by the same artist.

- 📍 65 Zina St.
- 📍 Street parking in front of Dufferin County building (55 Zina St.)
- 👤 Jim Menken (jimmenken.com)
- 🚗 Next stop: Drive west on Zina St., then south on Ada St. Turn west on Broadway then north on County Road 16. Enter Greenwood Cemetery on the left. Follow the road to the right.

👁 En Route Mention

Ada Street and Broadway is one of Orangeville's most creative corners. Look for three tree sculptures — Ice Cream Cone, The Eagle, and Pelicans — and a piece called Peaceful Clearing displayed on the intersection's utility box.



5 Woodland Creatures Tree Sculpture

Woodland Creatures was designed by the Thompsons, a family that has lived in the area for seven generations. The sculpture is dedicated to Eileen and Norman Thompson and was created to demonstrate their love for nature and animals.

- 📍 Greenwood Cemetery
- 📍 On the road, near the sculpture
- 👤 Jim Menken (jimmenken.com)
- 🚗 Next stop: Leave the cemetery and go south on County Road 16, then west on Broadway. Turn south on Riddell Rd. and then east on Alder St. and into the recreation centre's parking lot. Follow the path towards the flag.



6 Bravery Park

Sculpture

Bravery Park features several installations, each offering a unique way to honour our country's soldiers and veterans. The park's centrepiece is a bronze statue of a Canadian soldier kneeling before two Afghan children who are presenting him with a butterfly.

- 📍 Bravery Park, 275 Alder St.
- 📍 Northwest corner of parking lot
- 👤 Donna Pascoe and Peter Turrell
- 🗺️ Next stop: Return to Riddell Road, head south. Turn east on Townline. Stay east on Townline at the lights and then continue to the former train station on the right. Park here and carefully cross the street to Stop #7.



9 The Moose

Sculpture

This metal sculpture proudly welcomes visitors to downtown Orangeville. Installed in 2005, the unique piece was created out of a recycled oil tank. It was sponsored by Dragonfly Arts on Broadway, a locally owned shop and studio space that features works by Canadian artists.

- 📍 Dragonfly Arts on Broadway, 189 Broadway
- 👤 Jean Pierre Schoss (dogbitesteel.com)
- 🗺️ Walk east on Broadway to Second St. Turn north and walk to Alexandra Park, just behind Town Hall.



7 Nature's Unity

Tree Sculpture

Weighing approximately 3,000 pounds, the sculpture is carved out of an old elm tree. Nature's Unity is a collection of spiritually and environmentally significant animals brought to life in a hierarchy as they tell the story of Canada and its natural beauty.

- 📍 42 Townline
- 📍 Former train station, across the street
- 👤 Paul & Jacob Frenette (rantandrave.ca), Douglas Lingelbach
- 🗺️ Next stop: Go east on Townline, then north on Mill St. At Church St., park in the lot on the west. Walk north on Mill St., west on Broadway to the Canada Post office.



10 The Musicians

Tree Sculpture

The Musicians is one of the largest tree sculptures in Orangeville's collection. It was unveiled in celebration of the 10th anniversary of the Orangeville Blues & Jazz Festival in 2012. Its prominent location shares space with the festival's main stage each June.

- 📍 Alexandra Park, 11 Second St.
- 👤 Jim Menken (jimmenken.com)



8 Coyotes

Tree Sculpture

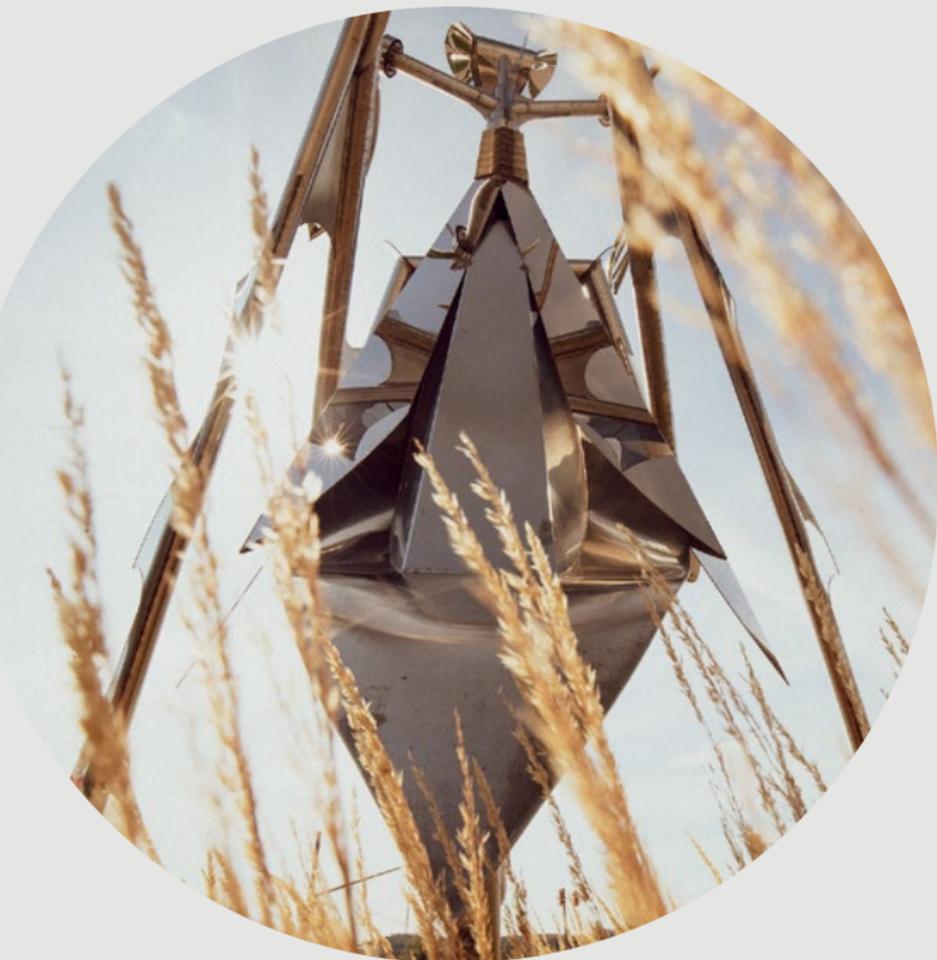
The eye-catching piece is carved out of white pine and took more than a week to complete. This sculpture is another creation by Jim Menken and clearly shows how he enjoys the challenge of depicting animals in realistic ways.

- 📍 216 Broadway
- 👤 Jim Menken (jimmenken.com)
- 🗺️ Next stop: Walk back east on Broadway to First St. Cross to the north side of Broadway and continue east to Dragonfly Arts on Broadway at 189 Broadway.

Your tour of Orangeville's top 10 public art pieces is now complete. You've arrived in downtown Orangeville, a destination all in itself. While you're here, we invite you to explore our shops, cafes, and restaurants.

Find a directory of options at loveorangeville.ca.

What will you explore?



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