

TROLLEY GALLERY TOUR WITH A TOUCH OF WINE

Friday, May 15, 2015

1:30 - 4:00 PM

NO CHARGE FOR THIS TOUR

Meet at the Saugatuck Center for the Arts (SCA) at 1:15 PM on Friday to be transported by trolley for a tour of three unique art galleries in Saugatuck/ Douglas; Water Street, LaFontsee and Button-Petter, to enjoy a wide variety of artistic styles. Wine will be available for purchase at the Petter Wine Gallery, adjacent to the Button-Petter Gallery, to enjoy while you stroll around the gallery. The trolley will leave the SCA promptly at 1:30 and return you to the SCA by 4:00 PM. A sign up will be available during registration Friday, May 15 between 8:30 and 11:30 AM at the Activities Table in the lobby of the SCA. This tour is limited to the first 26 people to sign up, and there will be a minimum of 12 necessary to run this tour. These galleries have graciously presented this tour to you free of charge, so we hope you will take advantage of this great opportunity!

RIDE THE STAR OF SAUGATUCK BOAT CRUISE

The best way to become acclimated to the Saugatuck area is by water on board the Star of Saugatuck, an old fashioned sternwheeler located in downtown Saugatuck at 716 Water Street. Board The Star of Saugatuck, sit back, relax and enjoy the beauty and tranquility of the area while listening to a narrated tour of the sights, sounds and history of the Saugatuck area and the lost city of Singapore. Singapore was a turn of the century lumber town, which lies buried under the shifting sand dunes of Lake Michigan. The paddle boat will take you on a 1:45 minute tour of Saugatuck Harbor then proceed along the serpentine Kalamazoo River out to Lake Michigan known to locals as the "Big Lake".

<http://www.saugatuckboatcruises.com/> (269)857-4261 Cost \$19 USD per person.
Groups of

20 or more \$17 USD per person with check or cash (Group purchase good for 5 years)

TAKE AN EXHILARATING RIDE ON A SAUGATUCK DUNE BUGGY

The Saugatuck Dune Rides are a roller coaster and history lesson in one! The drivers are equipped with lots of corny jokes and give passengers insights into the history of how the dunes developed and how they evolved over time. It feels so exciting, exhilarating and carefree to zip through sand dunes at high speeds in an open-air converted vehicle that holds 18 passengers. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?>

Hours <http://www.saugatuckduneride.com/hours.html> (269) 857-2253 Cost \$19 USD per person. Groups of 20 or more \$17 USD per person with check or cash (Group purchase good for 5 years)

VISIT FAMOUS OVAL BEACH & SWIM IN A FRESH WATER OCEAN

Following breakfast head out for a day of relaxation on Saugatuck's Famous Oval Beach located on the south western shoreline of Lake Michigan. Oval Beach <http://www.saugatuck.com/beaches.asp> has earned an international reputation! It has been ranked one of the top 25 beaches in the world by Conde' Nast Traveler, one of the top two fresh water beaches in the USA by National Geographic Traveler magazine and one of the top five beaches in the USA by MTV. More recently the Chicago Tribune rated it #1 among the Midwest's top five beaches and also ranked it the best beach on Lake Michigan. Don't forget a beach towel, chair or umbrella all of which can be rented en route to Oval beach at "Just Add Water" http://www.saugatuck.com/NEW_Business_Diretory?listing_photo.asp?ID=665 located at 450 Center Street, Douglas, MI. Oval Beach is located at Perryman Street & Oval Beach Drive, Saugatuck, MI 49453. Amenities include a concession stand, restrooms, showers, playground, picnic tables, grills and three large parking areas. There is a fee of \$6 per car during the peak season. Bicycles enter free.

HIKE THE SAUGATUCK NATURAL HARBOR AREA

The Saugatuck Harbor Natural Area, which borders Oval Beach, was recently nominated in a search for the 8th Wonder of the World following designation as one of the eleven most endangered eco systems in the world by the National Trust for Historic Preservation. The Saugatuck Dunes are part of the largest assemblage of freshwater dunes in the entire world. They were created from the glaciers thousands of years ago and sculpted by thousands of years of prevailing southwest winds, crashing waves, and stabilizing native vegetation. This area is one of the last known refuges of the Prairie Warbler—an endangered bird that makes its home in healthy Jack Pine forests. This native species of pine tree is suited to extremely dry conditions and has been living here locally since the glaciers retreated. There are several other notable species in the Saugatuck Dunes including American Bald Eagles, Osprey, Northern Harrier, and the Black Tern which are all threatened species. Guided hiking tours are available in season from Memorial Day to Labor Day. Visit <http://www.saugatuckcity.com/index.php/parks-recreation/saugatuck-harbor-natural-area> (269)857-2603

TAKE A CULINARY WALK

Discover the culinary secrets behind the storefronts of Saugatuck and Douglas. Taste, sip and savor what makes certain local businesses popular with food lovers. This three hour walking tour will offer a culinary insight into the Art Coast's palate and village life in the Saugatuck-Douglas area. There will be various stops where you will sample morsels of local specialties that may include smoky meats, award winning wines, hints of spice, delightful oils, privately roasted coffee and local fruit

preparations that will help you understand why the area continues to be a major time-honored food producing region along the Lake Michigan shoreline. This 3 hour tour starts and stops at the Saugatuck Center for the Arts in downtown Saugatuck, located on Culver Street. Tour Departs at 9:00am and returns at 12: noon, Monday through Friday May through December. Cost Adults \$30 (net rate \$25) Youth under 18 yrs. \$15 Reservations required.
http://www.hungryvillagetours.com/culinary_walk.html

STAND UP PADDLE BOARDS AND KAYAKS

Join us for a guided tour of the Harbor or Channel, take a lesson, or rent a board! We carry a variety of rental boards including SUP ATX, Nalu and Starboard. Stand Up Paddling is the fastest growing sport in the Midwest! Enjoy the fitness benefits of Stand Up Paddling while touring the beautiful Saugatuck/Douglas area and spectacular Lake Michigan! Great for a family or group outing! Kayaks too!

Rates:

\$25.00 / hour rental

\$45.00 / 2 hours rental

\$75.00 / full day rental

Lessons

\$35.00 / hour

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**ART CLASS
BREAK OUT SESSION
SATURDAY, 10 AM - 11 AM**

Join us for an exclusive, curator lead gallery tour of “Treasured Technique: Works by Mezzotint Masters” with complimentary demonstration of the Mezzotint process by master printmaker Julian Cox. The exhibition showcases stunning mezzotints by multiple contemporary artists, including the Japanese master Katsunori Hamanishi who is arguably the most influential artist working in Mezzotint today. Cox explains the intricate artistry of Mezzotint printmaking and how Hamanishi has taken the art form to new levels of depth and difficulty.