

## *Taste the Flavor on an Artistic Trip*

Do you have a love for the arts? If so, then Darke County is the place for you! **Anna Bier Gallery/Greenville Art Guild** is a great place to visit. Named after a local artist and art teacher, this gallery has fulfilled Ms. Bier's wish for a place in Greenville where people of all colors, all creeds and all walks of life can work for development of artistic skills and higher cultural standards for our community. The **Arts Depot** in Union City is located in a historic train depot, this association offers events ranging from jazz to bluegrass concerts, drama to dance, art classes to art shows and poetry readings to photography. The Art Depot is truly incredible for the inner artist in us all. Want to visit somewhere with a little more history and culture? Then head on over to **Bear's Mill**. Art, history and culture are combined at historic Bear's Mill with stimulating results. Built in 1849, this water powered flour mill is an authentic example of a stone grinding mill of its time and is still in use today. Enjoy history, nature and culture at this treasured gem. Explore the grounds, tour the Mill and enjoy the "Art at the Mill" series featuring monthly gallery shows and receptions for local artists. The **Darke County Center for the Arts** is always busy to promote all forms of art within the county, and strives to expand opportunities for cultural enrichment by attracting high-quality performing artists. Be sure to check them out before planning your visit to Darke County. Another great place to check out in the county is the **Sculptural Village of Versailles**. Twelve life-size bronzed sculptures are blended delightfully into this charming community. Most of the art is lit for viewing at night, and all but one piece is publicly accessible. Stop by the Welcome Center in Greenville before heading to Versailles and we will give you a detailed map and brochure for your convenience.





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Also, while you are in Versailles be sure to visit the **Two Story Mural**. The life size mural that spans the entire west side of "La Pharmacie Versailles" depicts a sampling of establishments along a French village avenue. Painted by local artist Pam Sommer. The **Versailles Performing Arts Center** is a space with seating for 450 and is equipped for state-of-the-art sound and lighting with a fully rigged stage for performances and events. It contains a small orchestra pit for musical accompaniment and second-level control room that can synchronize the electronic equipment. The display outside the auditorium is a custom-made display case showcasing historical artifacts from the Versailles Exempted Village School District dating back to the 1800s. If you are looking for a place to eat then don't go much further and dine at one of the places on the Whiskey, Wine & Ale Trail. At the Winery at Versailles, sip and savor various wines and for lunch enjoy the view of several acres of vineyard. Or, head over to A.R. Winery and Briar Brown Brewing Co., located just south east of Greenville near Arcanum. Take in the views, amazing brick oven pizzas, wine slushies, rocking chairs, bull frogs, great company and the quiet farm life. Twenty-One Barrels near Bradford is the newest winery and also offers several ciders. Enjoy dinner at The Endless Pint in downtown Versailles with one of their specialty pizzas and enjoy one of their great beers brewed on site.



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