

elcome to Toledo, Ohio, a Midwestern destination for outdoor art. With more than 80 large-scale sculptures, murals, and environmental structures in the downtown and throughout many neighborhoods, Toledo boasts a notable public collection easily viewed by those on foot or in a car.

This rich array of culture-to-go developed through the efforts of visionaries who enacted a 1977 ordinance setting aside one percent for art in the municipal capital improvement budget. Toledo was the first Ohio city to adopt such an ordinance, and remains a leader in the development, preservation, and promotion of public art.

This illustrated guide features works in the City of Toledo's collection, administered by the Arts Commission of Greater Toledo through its Art in Public Places program. It also includes outdoor sculpture in the collection of the Toledo Museum of Art, public art funded by the Ohio Percent for Art program that is administered by the Ohio Arts Council, and works owned by Lucas County.

Legend
Sculptures from the collection of the City of Toledo, administered by

Works of art that are not a part of the City of Toledo's collection

the Arts Commission of Greater Toledo



understanding and enjoyment of public art.

Toledo was the first city in Ohio to adopt a One Percent for Art program. The 1977 ordinance served as a model for Ohio's Percent for Art program, administered by the Ohio Arts Council, which began in 1990.

This guide organizes the many sculptures, murals and environmental structures into several tours: four Downtown Area Tours, the Toledo Botanical Garden Tour and various Neighborhood Tours. Also noted is artwork funded through the Ohio Arts Council One Percent for Art program, and works from the collection of Lucas County.

