

START *your* Day

Start your day at the point of your choice as you take a historic mural trip, or turn it into a two-day journey with the green and gold routes (*see map*). Marvel at the history of the Thomas Hart Benton mural titled "Joplin Centennial" in the Joplin City Hall. Or feast your eyes on the intense color of Anthony Benton Gude's mural titled "Flower Box City" on display in the Neosho City Hall.

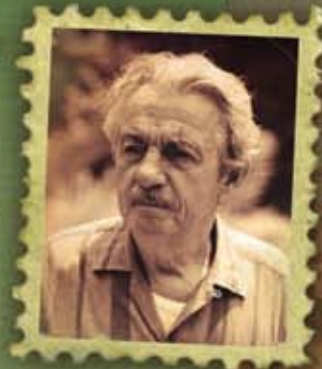
Outdoor murals by Dan McWilliams and Sherry Petty adorn the Granby Mining Museum. The magnificence of local artist, Lowell Davis, graces the Jasper County Court House. While visiting Carthage, don't miss the unique styling of world-renowned artist Sam Butcher of the Precious Moments Chapel.

Whether your self-directed tour is in the spring, summer, or fall, you'll want to return often for the "Thomas Hart Benton Festival," the Newtonia Battlefield, or eagles flying in winter by Stella, Missouri.

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Thomas Hart BENTON

1889-1975



Thomas Hart Benton was born and raised in Neosho, Missouri, the son of Congressman M.E. Benton.

In his life, he worked as a surveying assistant in the zinc fields of Joplin, Missouri. Benton later took a job at the Joplin American Newspaper as a cartoonist. From there Benton went on to New York, Paris and world acclaim. The Ozarks inspired the work of Mr. Benton and now in turn Mr. Benton is inspiring the Ozarks with the Murals of Newton County and Southwest Missouri.

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TOUR *of* THE
MURALS
of NEWTON COUNTY *and*
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Inspired by the art of
THOMAS HART BENTON

Murals of Newton County and Southwest Missouri

GOLD ROUTE

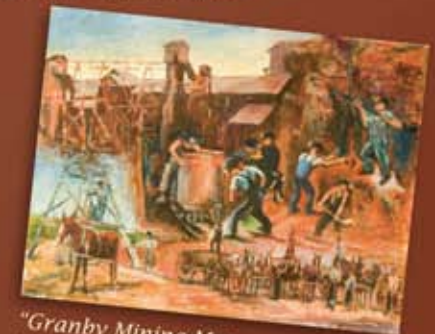
- 1 "TRANSPORTATION" MoDot Rest Stop, Joplin, MO (mile marker 2)
Artist: Matthew Dehaemers
- 2 "WILDCAT GLADES" Audubon Center, 201 W. Riviera Rd., Joplin, MO
Artist: Susan Sommer-Luarca
- 3 "A HISTORY OF NEWTON COUNTY" Newton County Courthouse,
101 S. Wood St, Neosho, MO Artist: Billie Gofourth-Stewart
- 4 "TIPTON FORD" United Methodist Church, 224 S. Wood St., Neosho, MO
Artist: Anthony Benton Gude
- 5 "FLOWER BOX CITY" City Hall, 203 E. Main St., Neosho, MO
Artist: Anthony Benton Gude
- 6 "HERITAGE" Benton Elementary School, 1120 Carl Sweeney Rd.,
Neosho, MO Artist: Sherry Pettey
- 7 "CENTENNIAL MURAL" Neosho Newton County Library, 201 W. Spring St.,
Neosho, MO Artist: Duard Marshall
- 8 "NEOSHO MURAL" Mills Park Center, 308 W. Spring St., Neosho, MO
Artist: Lawrence J. "Larry" Sanchez
- 9 "FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH MURAL" 1314 Oak Ridge Dr., Neosho, MO
Artist: Billie Gofourth-Stewart
- 10 "NEOSHO NATIONAL FISH HATCHERY" 520 Park St., Neosho, MO (Coming soon)
- 11 "CAMP-US CROWDER" 601 Laclede Ave., Newton Hall at Crowder College,
Neosho, MO Artist: Crowder Art Dept.
- 12 "ROCKETDYNE MURAL" 3551 Doniphan, Neosho, MO
Artist: Lawrence J. "Larry" Sanchez
- 13 "MONARK SPRINGS MURAL" 14057 Monark Dr., Monark, MO
Artist: Billie Gofourth-Stewart
- 14 "NEWTONIA TOWN MURAL" 461 Mill St., Newtonia, MO Artist: Sherry Pettey
- 15 "NATIVE AMERICANS AT FIRST BATTLE OF NEWTONIA"
Ritchey Civil War Mansion, 520 Mill St., Newtonia, MO Artist: Doug Hall
- 16 "TELECOMMUNICATIONS OF RURAL AMERICA"
Le-Ru Telephone Co., 555 Carter St., Stella, MO Artist: Dan McWilliams
- 17 "STELLA GETS WIRED"
Le-Ru Telephone Co., 555 Carter St., Stella, MO Artist: Sherry Pettey
- 18 "BICENTENNIAL" 1050 Cherokee Ave., Seneca, MO Artist: Larry Banks
- 19 "OKLAHOMA LAND RUSH OF 1879" 1116 Cherokee, Seneca, MO
Artist: Calvin Ackerson
- 20 "FRISCO DEPOT #3" 1050 Cherokee Ave., Seneca, MO Artist: Calvin Ackerson
- 21 "AN INDIAN CAMP" 1050 Cherokee Ave., Seneca, MO Artist: Calvin Ackerson
- 22 "THE LEGEND OF LOST CREEK" 1116 Cherokee, Seneca, MO
Artist: Calvin Ackerson

GREEN ROUTE

- 1 "TRANSPORTATION" MoDot Rest Stop, Joplin, MO (mile marker 2)
Artist: Matthew Dehaemers
- 2 "JOPLIN AT THE TURN OF THE CENTURY"
City Hall, 602 S. Main St., Joplin, MO
Artist: Thomas Hart Benton
- 3 "JOPLIN 66" City Hall, 602 S. Main St., Joplin, MO
Artist: Anthony Benton Gude
- 4 "ROUTE 66"
101 W. Daugherty, Webb City, MO
Artist: John Biggs
- 5 "WEBB CITY MURAL"
Webb City Bank, 100 N. Main, Webb City, MO
Artist: Jack Dawson
- 6 "WEBB CITY HIGH SCHOOL MURAL"
621 N. Madison Ave., Webb City, MO
Artist: John Fitzgibbon
- 7 "ROUTE 66" Located in the Route 66 Center,
66 West Broadway, Webb City, MO
Artist: John Biggs
- 8 "HWY 43 CHURCH MURAL" 17486 St. Hwy 43
Oronogo, MO Artist: Dan McWilliams
- 9 "PRECIOUS MOMENTS"
Precious Moments Chapel, 4321 S. Chapel Rd., Carthage, MO
Artist: Sam Butcher
- 10 "FORGED IN FIRE"
Jasper County Courthouse, 302 S. Main St., Carthage, MO
Artist: Lowell Davis
- 11 "CARTHAGE CIVIL WAR MUSEUM"
Civil War Museum, 205 Grant St., Carthage, MO
Artist: Andy Thomas
- 12 "GEORGE WASHINGTON CARVER: THE SPIRIT OF GIVING"
Carver National Museum, 5646 Carver Rd., Diamond, MO
Artist: Cedar J. Kindy
- 13 "GRANBY MINING MUSEUM"
218 N. Main St., Granby, MO
Artist: Dan McWilliams
- 14 "REMEMBER WHEN"
218 N. Main St., Granby, MO
Artist: Sherry Pettey



"Heritage"
by Sherry Pettey



"Granby Mining Museum"
by Dan McWilliams