

Links of interest:

Milwaukee:

<http://www.visitmilwaukee.org/visitors/>

<http://www.american towns.com/wi/milwaukee>

Key to Milwaukee's neighborhoods within neighborhoods:

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Neighborhoods_of_Milwaukee

Milwaukee County Transit System (bus):

<http://www.ridemcts.com/>

Taxi, 24 hr, 7 day service:

<http://yellowcabmilwaukee.com/home/>

Motor Bar and Restaurant at the Harley Davidson Museum, 401 W. Canal, Thursday Lunch. We will be eating lunch here on Thursday due to its location between the Domes and Pabst Mansion. I had not planned to have us enter the museum (\$16 entry fee; \$12 for 65+) but if you wish to spend our time here (one hour) in the museum (pay this additional fee on your own) you may do so. (bring something to eat on the bus though so you don't get faint or cranky).

Menu: http://www.harley-davidson.com/en_US/Content/Pages/HD_Museum/eat/menu.html

Plaza Hotel Café: Menu link for the Plaza Hotel and Apartments Café (our hotel). The Café is open daily from 7 a.m. – 2 p.m. Links to breakfast, lunch and a la carte menus are at the bottom of linked page:

<http://www.cafeattheplaza.com/>

Watts Tea at George Watts, 761 N. Jefferson, Milwaukee, 414) 290-5720, Tea Service 11-4

http://www.wattsteashop.com/The_Watts_Tea_Shop/Tea_Shop_Info.html

A long standing tradition in Milwaukee; the tea salon above the historic crystal and china shop. Find the art gallery in the back of the store and go upstairs to the tea salon.

Tea: \$17.95; other lunch items available. Pdf file of menu:

http://www.wattsteashop.com/The_Watts_Tea_Shop/Menu_files/Watts%20Tea%20Shop%20Menu%20Fall%202012.pdf

Let me know if you wish to join us here for lunch on Saturday 1-1:50, so I may make a reservation.

Alterra Coffee Roasters @ The Lake. 1701 N. Lincoln Memorial Drive, Sunday late lunch. We'll take a quick mid-afternoon break here on Sunday afternoon between museum tours. Located in the 1888 Milwaukee River flushing station, this award-winning Milwaukee coffee roaster, founded in 1993, offers fresh-roasted specialty coffees, hand-packed teas, and baked goods made daily from scratch. Sample of seasonal menu of sandwiches, soups, salads: <http://www.singlepage.com/alterra-2/menu?ref=yahoo>

Grohmann Museum at the Milwaukee School of Engineering, 1000 N. Broadway, \$5/\$3 for seniors, M-F 9-5, Sa 12-6, Su 1-4.

Art collection devoted to the evolution of human work. If you opt to go on your own on Saturday, you might want to visit this potentially interesting museum located just a few blocks west of our hotel.

<http://www.msoe.edu/museum/>

Milwaukee Public Library, 814 W. Wisconsin. Saturdays 9-5.

Central Library designed by Ferry and Clas (same architects who designed the Pabst mansion), 1898.

History link: <http://www.mpl.org/file/libraryhistory.htm> with secondary link (near top of page) about the original use of the building with one half Museum and the other half Library. The Milwaukee Public Museum relocated to its current location one block north in the late 1960s.

Image link: http://www.mpl.org/file/central_gallery.htm

Movie Theatres usually showing Independent and Foreign Films. Either of these might be of interest to you on Friday or Saturday evening.:

www.landmarktheatres.com

Landmark Oriental, 2230 N. Farwell, Milwaukee, 53202, 414.276-8711

(The Eatery on Farwell, 2014 N. Farwell is open late and nearby the theatre.)

Landmark Downer Theatre, 2589 N. Downer, Milwaukee, 53211, 414.964-2720

(Café Hollander, 2608 N. Downer is open late and nearby the theatre.)

Performing Arts Productions:

Renaissance Theaterworks, Broadway Theatre Center Studio Theatre, 158 N. Broadway, (Third Ward), 414.291-7800

<http://www.renaissancetheaterworks.com/>

Athol Fugard's *Road to Mecca*, April 5-28; Tickets: \$36/\$34 senior.

Show times: Friday and Saturday Night: 8 p.m.; Plan to be seated 15 minutes prior. Shoot to arrive at Theatre by 7:30 p.m. We plan to get back to the hotel by 6:15 on Friday; 5:30 on Saturday.

One of Fugard's most lyrical plays, THE ROAD TO MECCA is based on the life and work of Helen Martins -- South Africa's foremost Outsider Artist. For over 20 years, reclusive Miss Helen created her own "Mecca"—a fascinating backyard world of sculpture and mosaics in a desolate region of Apartheid South Africa. The village Pastor who embodies their community's conservative values is determined to move the elderly Miss Helen into an old age home. Miss Helen's dearest friend Elsa is just as determined that she remain free. MECCA is a tribute to the bravery of the Artist and the significance of artistic freedom in an oppressed society.

THE ROAD TO MECCA enjoyed an acclaimed Broadway revival in 2012, starring Rosemary Harris as Miss Helen. The character of Miss Helen bears an uncanny resemblance to Milwaukee's own Outsider Artist Mary Nohl who created her personal "Mecca" of outdoor sculpture at her Beach Drive home in Fox Point.

Thanks to the support of the Mary L. Nohl Fund, Renaissance Theaterworks is working with a local visual artist, Kathrynne Martin-Muer. Kathrynne is working on many small [owl sculptures](#) that mirror the real-life work of the main character in the play, Helen Martins of South Africa. Kathrynne Martin-Muer is the Visual Art Recruitment Coordinator and Associate Lecturer at University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee (UWM), teaching in Foundations and Sculpture.

Tenth Street Theatre, 628 North Tenth Street, 53233, In Tandem Theatre Company, 414.271-1371

<http://www.intandemtheatre.org/> (Between Michigan and Wisconsin on North 10th)

Jeff Daniels' *Apartment 3A*, April 26-May 19; Tickets: \$26

Show Times: Friday and Saturday Night: 8 p.m.; Plan to be seated 15 minutes prior. Shoot to arrive at Theatre by 7:40 p.m. We plan to get back to the hotel by 6:15 on Friday; 5:30 on Saturday.

Reeling from the loss of what she thought was the love of her life, Annie Wilson searches for a reason to hope again with the help of a mysterious new neighbor who teaches her what it truly means to be in love forever. Written by well-known film actor, Jeff Daniels, the play humorously draws us into a world of hope, love and modern-day miracles.

An audience favorite from more than fifty plays and musicals over In Tandem's 15-year history!

Complimentary champagne reception following the April 26 Opening Night show.

Links to larger stage productions:

<http://www.milwaukee-theatre.com/>

Large and small theatres:

<http://www.yellowpages.com/milwaukee-wi/theaters>

Historic Pabst, Riverside and Turner Ballrooms:

<http://www.pabsttheater.org/>

Racine:

Mini tour of points of interest in Racine:

<http://racine.wi.net/tour.html>

Red Onion Café, 555 Main, lunch on Friday.

Menu link: http://redonioncaferacine.com/uploads/ROC_Lunch_Menu_Inside.pdf

Wingspread, 33 E. 4 Mile Road

The estate of Herbert Fisk Johnson with home designed by Frank Lloyd Wright is utilized by The Johnson Foundation as a unique meeting and residency center with the goal of being a catalyst for environmental and community solutions using leading-edge convening models. We have a tour tentatively scheduled here and hope to be able to visit on our day in Racine but tours and access are limited by the security nature of the international meetings which take place here and we will not know if we may visit until possibly that day.

<http://www.johnsonfdn.org/>

<http://www.greatbuildings.com/buildings/Wingspread.html>

If we cannot visit Wingspread and find ourselves with extra time while in Racine:

Racine Heritage Museum, 701 Main Street, T-F 9-5, Free Admission.

Located in a former Carnegie Library, the Heritage Museum focuses on the maritime, immigrant, abolitionist, industrial and agricultural history of the Racine area.

<http://www.racineheritagemuseum.org/>

Windpoint Lighthouse, 4725 Lighthouse Drive, Windpoint, WI

http://www.tripadvisor.com/Attraction_Review-g60218-d2314889-Reviews-Wind_Point_Lighthouse-Racine_Wisconsin.html