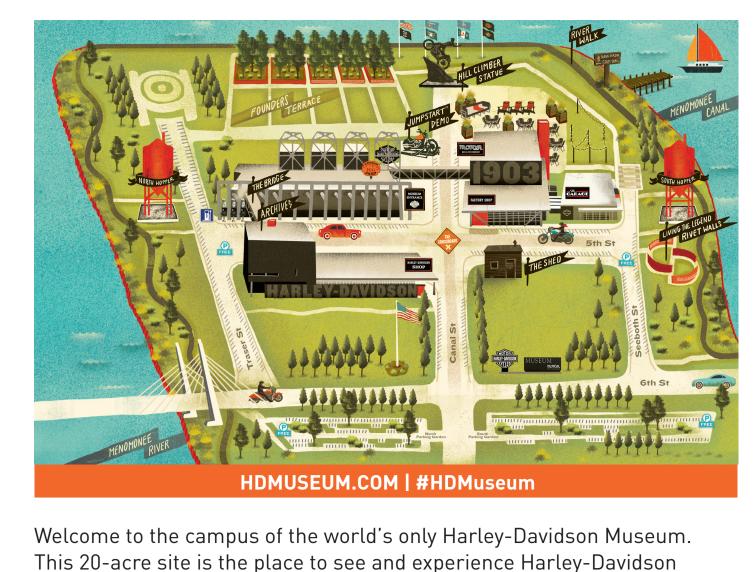


## THE HARLEY-DAVIDSON MUSEUM®

## **SELF-GUIDED CAMPUS** WALKING TOUR



history and culture, but it's not where the company started. Turn towards the flagpole off 6th street and point your smartphone compass to roughly 300° NW. You are facing the original (and current) home of the Harley-Davidson Motor Company for more than 100 years; about 3.5 miles from here located on Juneau Avenue. The brick factory buildings that once housed all motorcycle manufacturing operations are now the corporate headquarters and offices. Juneau Avenue is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Engineering and Manufacturing happen at many sites around the US and the world,

including three right here in Wisconsin! Point your smartphone compass toward the following: • 307°NW and you are facing the Product Development Center in Wauwatosa • 314°NW and it's the plant in Tomahawk, which produces windshields and plastic parts • 316°NW and you are pointing to Pilgrim Road Powertrain Operations in Menomonee Falls, where engines and transmissions are manufactured

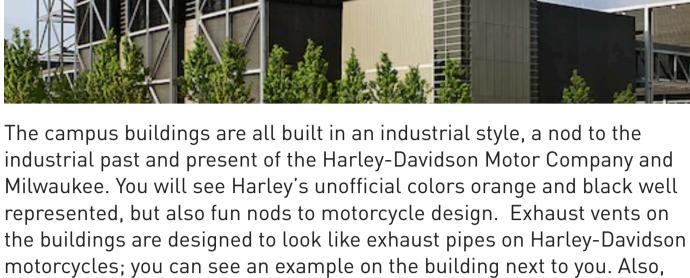
- **CAMPUS ARCHITECTURE**





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spokes of motorcycle wheels. This aesthetic is all over the campus. THE SHED

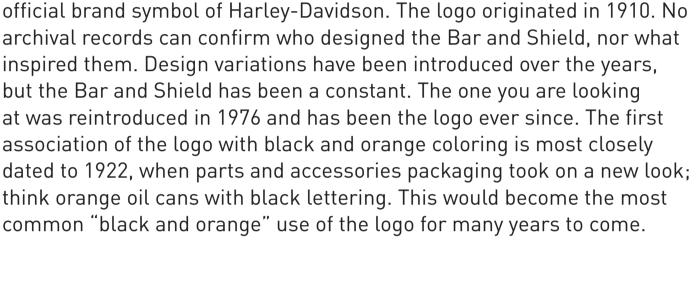


couple of years, there were two additions to the small structure. By 1906,

exists, but this replica is a nice reminder of how quickly the company grew

the shed tripled from its original size. Sadly, the original shed no longer

in the early 1900s. THE BAR AND SHIELD 0



Look up and you will see the Bar and Shield logo high above you, the

This 16-foot-tall (and 5,000 pound) bronze statue is a tribute to motorcycle competition created by sculptor Jeff Decker of HIPPODROME STUDIO.

during a hillclimbing run. Hillclimbing was (and still is) a popular form

of extreme motorcycle racing, with the object of running up a very steep

hill, without wiping out or your engine stalling. If you look closely at the

statue you will notice the rider is very close to falling off! Both hands are not on the handlebars and notice the wheels have no spokes, creating the

0 Water surrounds our campus on three sides, and you are currently standing closest to the Menomonee River, a waterway that snakes through the area. The name "Menomonee" translates to "good seed," a reference to the wild rice that grew in the marshy valley and was harvested by native peoples for centuries. Dredging and infill by industrialists in the 19th

century yielded hundreds of acres of land which could be used for heavy industry including lumberyards, coal stations, tanneries, breweries, meat packing plants and brickyards. The H-D Museum site you are standing on used to be the home of the Lake Shore Sand Company; the two large orange hoppers on campus are the last reminders of the site's past. Each industrial enterprise left pollution behind. Major environmental cleanup projects and continuing economic redevelopment have allowed the Menomonee Valley to bounce back and the building of the Harley-Davidson

The campus is not only the home of the world's only Harley-Davidson Museum, but also the official Archives of the Harley-Davidson Motor Company. The archival collection has hundreds of thousands of documents and objects that range from marketing materials and company memoranda to 3-D objects; everything from clothing to toys. The Archives had its beginnings in the very early days of the company, when the founders wisely began collecting their corporate history in a meaningful way. Part of this effort involved saving motorcycles produced by the company. This motorcycle collection, which is housed in the tall, boxy black building facing you, has over 300 vintage Harley-Davidson vehicles residing within it. These span the entire history of the company. It's also one that continues to grow! One of the more recent acquisitions is the LiveWire, Harley's all electric motorcycle.

## The River Walk behind the orange hopper provides a view of the effort taken to make the Harley-Davidson Museum campus a sustainable, urban green space. It extends round the entire perimeter on campus and connects to the Hank Aaron Trail. Native plants (added all over the

site) create a natural environment. They require less fertilizer, water,

and maintenance, saving energy and often improving air and soil quality.

They also forge living links to the area's past. Among the species here are

beautiful blue stem, nutritious coneflower, and white wild indigo, a striking

prairie plant that can reach six feet high. These native plantings also bring

animals to our site! The plants attract pollinators like butterflies and

waterfowl, small mammals, and even the occasional fox.

THE RIVET WALLS

bees, and all the trees and green space have also made room for birds,

butterfly-friendly common milkweed, the drought-tolerant smooth aster,

The Living the Legend™ Rivet Walls here are an embodiment of the spirit of Harley-Davidson and the storytelling that motorcycling inspires. Here you will find joyous, poignant, thoughtful and even funny messages engraved in solid stainless steel, a strong testament to how motorcycling connects and affects people's lives in many different ways. The wall itself is crafted of Corten™, a steel alloy that forms a protective layer as it ages—not simply surviving the elements, but drawing strength from them. We encourage you to take a look at the wall to see what stories you connect with and visit The Shop to purchase your own or create your rivet today at H-DMUSEUM.COM/Livingthelegend. We hope you enjoy these timeless messages (almost 7,000 rivets) left here in steel.

MOTOR The last stop on the tour today is another great photo opportunity!

We encourage you to take a picture in front of the museum sign to

commemorate your visit to the outdoor spaces of the Harley-Davidson

THE MUSEUM CAMPUS SIGN



Museum Campus.

unparalleled collection in the Museum, enjoy a culinary road trip of great American classics at MOTOR® Bar & Restaurant or purchase unique merchandise in The Shop from vintage apparel to art prints,

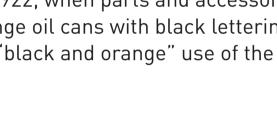
souvenirs and gifts. Thanks for visiting us and have a great day!

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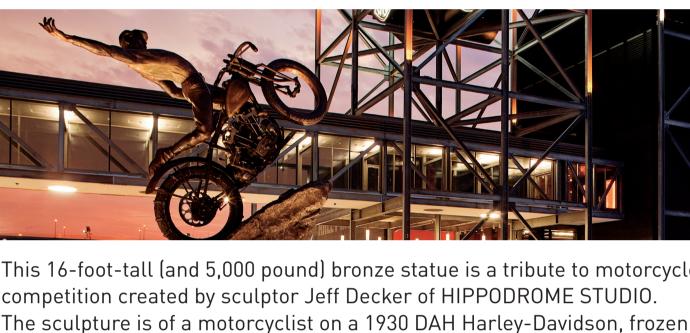
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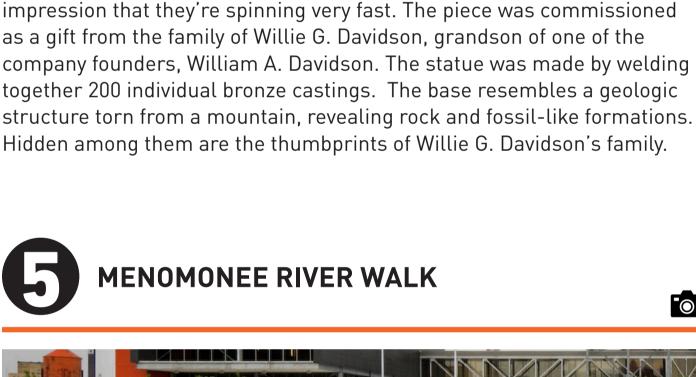
look up to see fins on the top of the museum, reminiscent of cylinder heads, as well as metal X's on the outside of the buildings evoking the

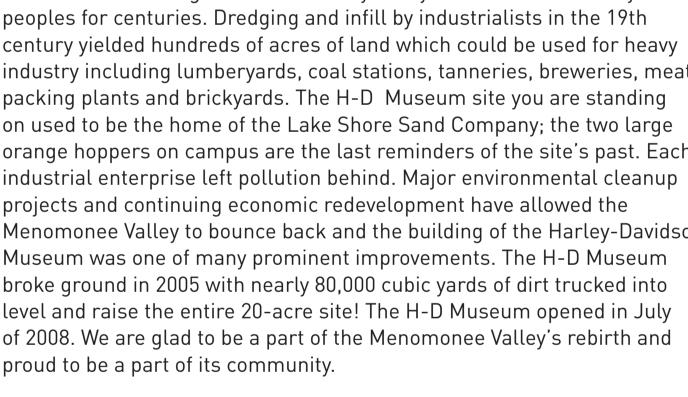




THE HILL CLIMBER STATUE







HARLEY-DAVIDSON MUSEUM ARCHIVES

**URBAN GREEN SPACE** 0

