

Rediscover ARTS & CULTURE IN MARION

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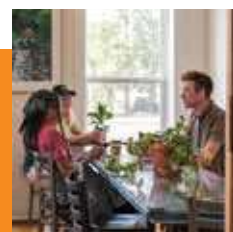
Start your day off right at **Uptown Coffee Company**, featuring donuts from local favorite, **Donutland**. Or, head over to **West End Diner** (which features an artisan village) for brunch and mimosas.

SHOPPING

Browse for something new to read at **Swamp Fox Bookstore**. If you're looking to make your home feel cheerful, grab some specialty flowers from **Roots in Bloom** or find unique treasures at **SCOUT of Marion**. When you're done shopping, grab some treats for now or later at **Iowa Popcorn Company** or **The Marion Chocolate Shop**.

LUNCH

The food options in Marion are endless! Grab a burger – and delicious fries – at **Short's Burger & Shine**. If you head to **Goldfinch Tap + Eatery**, don't miss the delicious Brussels sprouts. **Hip-Stir**, which opened in 2021, features creative cuisine and snazzy drink offerings.



FUN ACTIVITY

Feed your need for artistic expression with a visit to **DKW Art Gallery**. Marvel at the work of more than 20 local artists or pick up a brush and try your hand at one of their art classes.

The **Art Gallery at Lowe Park** also features work by local artists. On a nice day, there's nothing better than heading outside to take a stroll on the trails at Lowe, which feature stunning sculptures.

If you really want to kick back, escape the hustle and bustle of daily life at **The Sanctuary Spa**. From facials to massage to nail services, enjoy the pampering you deserve. If someone in your party is in need of a trim (or beard trim), check out **Trims Barber Shop**, which has options for adults and kids.

Or take some time to freshen up your wardrobe. Find the latest in fashion at **Designs by Michele, DiModa, MODE** or **JOY** boutiques. If you need some new kicks, check out locally owned **Brown's Shoe Fit**.

DINNER

Daisy's Garage is the perfect place for a relaxing dinner out. If you're thinking pizza, skip the typical and head to **Tomaso's**. Grab a healthy

poké bowl at **Ohana Poké Shop**. Craving tacos instead? Local favorite **Villa's Patio** is the perfect spot to satisfy your craving. Conveniently located on Blairs Ferry Road, **NaRa Thai Cuisine** has incredible noodle and rice dishes. Or check out Uptown Marion's new addition, **MIX**, an Asian restaurant featuring a Chinese hot pot concept.

ENTERTAINMENT

Be sure to check out the **Giving Tree Theater** calendar so you can catch a local theatre production in an intimate environment, complete with cozy sofas. And check the event schedule at **Lowe Park** – concerts and entertainment are offered throughout the warm months outdoors, and cozy Coffeehouse Night concerts are offered during the winter. Or simply enjoy the classic way to see a movie – in an actual theater! **Collins Road Theatres** has popcorn with REAL butter.

DRINKS

In the heart of Marion, you'll find **Brick Alley Pub & Sports Bar** and **Uptown Snug**, where you can sit by the fireplace or out on the patio to cap off a great day. The patio seating is nestled overlooking the Uptown Artway, a colorful oasis of nine public art installations.

