WHAT TO SEE AND DO IN SANTA FE

DOWNTOWN MUSEUMS (WITHIN EASY WALK OF LA FONDA)

Georgia O'Keefe Museum. American artist/icon Georgia O'Keefe spent most of her artistic career in New Mexico after a stint in New York. The museum is human-scale and easy to experience in an hour.

- Enter at 217 Johnson St, Admission is \$22.
- Advance purchase of tickets is recommended, not required.

IAIA Museum of Contemporary Native Arts. Wonderful permanent and traveling exhibitions.

Enter at 108 Cathedral Place, Admission is \$10

New Mexico History Museum. A wonderful museum that includes access to the Palace of the Governors (dating back to 1610). Current exhibits include one on Zozobra (our very own 'burning man'!).

• Enter at 113 Lincoln Ave., Admission is \$12.

New Mexico Art Museum. A vast collection of art featuring works by Gustave Baumann, Georgia O'Keefe and more.

• Enter at 107 W. Palace Ave., Admission is \$12.

THE PLAZA & THE CATHEDRAL

The Plaza is the historic center of downtown Santa Fe.

- In the center of the Plaze is the "Soldiers Monument". This obelisk was toppled in October 2020 on Indigenous People's day. Just last week the City removed the plywood box that has been covering the base the past 4 years. Time will tell if the obelisk is rebuilt or not. Learn more.
- Native American Artisans Portal Program at the Palace of the Governors. This portal and building lines the northern edge of the Plaza. Artisans are present under the portal daily.
- Shiprock Gallery. Located in the northeast corner of the Plaza. Look for 53 Old Santa Fe Trail close to the corner of E. Palace. There is a simple entry door, and you go UP a steep flight of stairs to the second floor to enter the gallery. ASMS Office loves the views looking down over the Plaza & the Navajo rugs, blankets, and jewelry are incredible to view. Open Tues-Sat, 11am-5pm.

The Cathedral Basilica of St. Francis of Assisi is a treasure in downtown Santa Fe. We encourage you to walk around this historic building (interior currently closed for renovation work although services are still held). From the outside you can study its entry doors and walk the labyrinth (outside the front doors, toward the adjacent park) and be sure to take a contemplative stroll through the park and the sculpture garden behind the cathedral building.

CANYON ROAD

Over 100 galleries to check out, small shops, and a few restaurants. Start your walk at Canyon Road at Paseo de Peralta and walk up. Check out the side streets with historic Eastside Santa Fe home (Camino del Monte Sol to Acequia Madre, for an out and back off Canyon Rd). Cutover on E Palace to Alameda to make a return loop to downtown or follow Canyon Road to its end and then loop over to Alameda for a longer loop.

We are fond of visiting <u>El Zaguan</u> at 545 Canyon Rd. This historic house and garden include art exhibits and a sweet gift shop. Check it out! Then, we also adore <u>GF Contemporary</u> at 707 Canyon Rd, if you are into modern, contemporary art, this is your place!

A note about galleries: you do NOT have to buy anything, looking is just fine. Gallery owners and staff are typically very friendly and happy to share information about artists' work on display. Enjoy!

To eat and drink along Canyon Road: Caffe Greco is close to Paseo de Peralta, and then there are a few other spots sprinkled along the way like Ahmyo Wine Garden, Thai on Canyon, and a few we probably don't know!

FURTHER FLUNG MUSEUMS: MUSEUM HILL

Check with La Fonda concierge on transportation options to Museum Hill. There might be a shuttle, but if not an Uber should be \$10 or less.

Our favorite museums here are <u>Museum of Indian Arts & Culture</u> and the <u>International Folk Art Museum.</u> There is the <u>Museum Hill Café</u> for lunch along with several other world-class museums.