

21.0 Museums and Galleries

The University's resources are vast and include both research and exhibit museums as well as galleries. Many of the facilities located on the Ann Arbor campus are listed below. For information about the administrative structure of the museums, see section [3.K "University of Michigan Libraries and Museums \(Ann Arbor Campus\)"](#).

- **[Museum of Natural History](#)** This museum, located at 1105 Geddes Road, is home to a vast array of specimens and artifacts related to paleontology, anthropology, zoology, geology, and botany. The museum includes a Hall of Evolution, Hall of Natural Sciences, Hall of Anthropology, and a planetarium (with weekend shows). The museum is especially popular with children.
- **[The Center for the History of Medicine](#)** Located in the Simpson Memorial Institute (102 Observatory), this program focuses on the history of the health sciences of the state of Michigan and is dedicated to historical research projects and archival and preservation work. Its objective is to foster broader understanding and deeper appreciation of the pioneering role taken by the University and state of Michigan to advance knowledge of disease and promote human health.
- **[Kelsey Museum of Archaeology](#)** Home of the Interdepartmental Program in Classical Art and Archaeology, the Kelsey Museum houses two exhibit galleries, one for Greek and Roman material, another for Near Eastern. It is located in Newberry Hall, 434 South State Street.
- **[Schembechler Hall](#)**(Margaret Dow Towsley Sports Museum) This museum deals exclusively with Michigan athletics, including all 25 varsity sports; touch TV screens, mini videos, display cases. It is located in Schembechler Hall, 1200 South State Street.
- **[Museum of Art \(UMMA\)](#)** With the opening of the Maxine and Stuart Frankel and the Frankel Family Wing and the restoration of historic Alumni Memorial Hall, the University of Michigan Museum of Art ushered in a new era, a reimagining of the University art museum as a new "town square" for the 21st century.

The UMMA seeks to transform individual and civic life by promoting the discovery, contemplation, and enjoyment of the art of our world. One of the finest university art museums in the country, UMMA holds collections representing 150 years of art collecting. A schedule of special exhibitions and interpretative programs connects visitors with the rich artistic legacy of the past and today's avant-garde.

- One of the Museum's roles is its contribution to the academic mission of the University of Michigan. From the research and study uses of the works of art in the Museum's collections, to the teaching implications of all of our temporary exhibitions, the Museum plays a central role in the academic life of the University, even as it connects to broad regional and national community audiences.
 - The UMMA features galleries highlighting works drawn from the Museum's collections of more than 18,000 artworks, special exhibition spaces, "open storage" galleries, and a range of educational and event spaces.
- **Research Museums** Four research museums on the Ann Arbor campus which are administratively part of LSA.
 - [Museum of Anthropology](#)
 - [Museum of Paleontology](#)
 - [Museum of Zoology](#)
 - **[Sindecuse Museum of Dentistry](#)** Located in the School of Dentistry, The Gordon H. Sindecuse Museum of Dentistry collects, preserves, and exhibits dental artifacts representing stages in the development of dental technology, beginning with the pre-electric period. Research interests are

served by the collections and their historic documentation.

- **[Penny W. Stamps School of Art & Design](#)** Contemporary art and design exhibitions are presented without charge each academic year in the Jean Paul Slusser Gallery and the Warren Robbins Gallery in the Art and Architecture Building, and the Media Union Gallery in the Media Union on North Campus and the Work Gallery on State Street. A weekly lecture series is presented during the fall and winter semesters and is open to the public. Information regarding exhibitions, openings, lectures, and other events at the School can be found on the School's website, or in *The Michigan Daily* and *The Ann Arbor News*.
- **[Stearns Collection](#)**(Musical Instruments) The Stearns Collection is a vast collection of musical instruments from around the world. The University owns more than 3,000 instruments; about 200 are on display at any time. The collection is located in the Moore Music Building on North Campus.