

Arts in the Parks

Brookville Lake & Whitewater Memorial State Park Property Profile

Website: <http://www.in.gov/dnr/parklake/2961.htm>

Key Messages

- Provides flood control in the Whitewater Valley and helps reduce flood flows in the Ohio River. The lake also was developed for fish and wildlife, recreation, and municipal and industrial water supply.
- Cultural History of the Area: There is a long Native American history in the area, including a mound that can be accessed from the Glidewell Trail at Mounds SRA.
- The Greenville Treaty Line runs across the north end and along the west side of Brookville Lake.
- The historic town of Metamora lies west of the dam, and the Whitewater Canal (parts of which are still operating as a state historic site) is nearby.
- The reservoir offers our visitors many wonderful activities. From fishing on our lake to hiking on our trails and camping in our great campground. The property is located in a transition area between the flat northern part of Indiana and the unglaciated hills and hollows of the southern part of the state, offering a wide variety of terrain, scenery, and habitat types. Hills overlooking the lake and the Whitewater River Valley offer excellent views, often serving as vistas for artists, including the annual visit of a group of Plein Air painters. The mosaic of agricultural fields, forested hills, and water features—not to mention the variety of wildlife, including bobcats, eagles, ospreys, foxes, etc.—make popular subject matter for photographs and paintings.

Top Five Things to Do

- Hike the Glidewell Trail and see the Indian Mound
- Visit the beach and enjoy a day in the water.
- Rent a boat from our Camp Store and enjoy some time on our lake.
- Attend a Natualist Program.
- Take a hike on one of our great trails.

Lodging: Family Cabins, group camping and camping with non-electric and electric sites, horseman's camp, and day horseman's camp.



General visitor profile: Campers (weekends or weeklong), day-users for picnics and hiking; horse camping for campers who want to bring their horses, day horse camp for people who just want to bring their horses to ride for the day; visit the Naturalist Cabin; groups in the group camps; families in the family cabins.

Potential arts venues

- Nice large Amphitheater that has bench seating. Outdoor setting (with cover), with stage, lighting and electricity.
- There are several shelter houses that have picnic tables, grills, restrooms and electricity

Visitation in FY2014: We average approximately 2 million visitors annually in total between Mounds SRA, Quakertown SRA, and Whitewater Memorial State Park.

Nearby Communities: Oxford (Ohio), Richmond, Connersville, Liberty, Brookville, Metamora

Please email questions to Artsintheparks@dnr.IN.gov.

