

# FRED SMITH'S WISCONSIN CONCRETE PARK



Here is a list of activities for your club or group to complete after visiting Fred Smith's amazing Concrete Park.

★ **Make an Adjective List and Accordion Book of your visit!** As you tour the Park create a list of adjectives you would use to describe the environment. After visiting, take a half sheet of drawing paper. Fold your piece of paper in half (like a "hamburger") and write a few sentences about your experience using some of the adjectives from the list on one half of the paper. Make sure you also illustrate your sentences, possibly with a particular sculpture you found interesting on the other half of the paper. Gather together everyone's pages. Tape each page of the book together end to end, into an accordion-style book.

★ **Create Your Own Folk Environment!** Fred Smith created his environment from found materials. Why do you think he did this? Create your own folk environment using found materials or by drawing, painting, or constructing three-dimensional models with cardboard, clay, or papier-mâché!

★ **How has the automobile affected roadways and architecture?** The Concrete Garden is an example of roadside art. What does this mean? Think about ways the automobile has affected roadways and architecture. Find structures in your own community built with automobiles in mind (parking lots, ramps, drive-through restaurants, banks, etc). Make lists and illustrate them with photos or drawings. Look for unusual road signs, statues, or roadside restaurants and diners to also add to your list.