# **Murals & Monuments in Tonopah**

Self-guided walking and driving tour



## **Downtown/Walking:**

Park conveniently in the center of downtown at the events plaza, also known as Union Plaza, right across from the Mizpah Hotel, located at 103 N. Main Street. Additional parking is available on Brougher Avenue and Summit Street, follow signage to the Tonopah Convention Center.

1. Tonopah Mural, Josh Scheuerman, 2021: Depicting what Tonopah is known for, including dark skies, mining, ranching, etc. Commissioned by the Town of Tonopah.

103 N. Main Street/Union Plaza



2. Tonopah Historic Mining Park Mural, Bruce Rettig, 2020: Depicting assets of the Tonopah Historic Mining Park such as headframes, mine shafts, and blacksmithing. Commissioned by the Town of Tonopah.

103 N. Main Street/Union Plaza



- 3. Interactive Nevada Club Mural, Jamie Vincek, 2021: Depicting the Nevada Club that used to be in the building now known as the Belvada Hotel. Based on a photo in the Tonopah Daily Bonanza dated January 3, 1908. Commissioned by Tonopah Main Street.
  - St. Patrick Street/back wall of Belvada Hotel



Walk towards Tonopah Convention Center on Brougher Avenue.

- 4. Interactive Tonopah U.S.O. Club Mural, Jamie Vincek, 2021: Depicting the U.S.O. Club library located in the building that is now the Tonopah Convention Center. Based on a historic photo from June 22, 1945. Commissioned by Tonopah Main Street.
  - 301 Brougher Avenue/Tonopah Convention Center



- 5. USS Tonopah Mural, Josh Scheuerman, 2022: Depicting the USS Tonopah. The bell from the USS Tonopah is on display inside the Tonopah Convention Center. Commissioned by the Town of Tonopah.
  - 301 Brougher Avenue/Tonopah Convention Center



Turn back around towards Main Street, walk south on Main Street. You will find the following murals and monuments while continuing to walk south.

- 6. Belmont Mine Fire Mural, Lee Bowerman, 2005: Depicting local hero Big Bill Murphy rescuing fellow miners during the Belmont Mine Fire of 1911, as well as the funeral procession for the 17 miners, including Big Bill, who lost their lives. Commissioned by Tonopah Main Street.
  - 111 S. Main Street/side wall of A-Bar-L Western Store



- 7. Big Bill Monument, Adam Skiles, 2005: Depicting local hero Big Bill Murphy rescuing a fellow miner from the Belmont Mine Fire. Commissioned by Tonopah Main Street.
  - 201 S. Main Street/in front of Post Office



- 8. Veterans Monument, Adam Skiles, 2007: Honoring all veterans who served during times of war and peace. Commissioned by Tonopah Main Street.
  - 265 S. Main Street/next to VFW Post



9. Tonopah Army Air Field Airmen's Memorial Wall, 2020: Honoring 120 airmen who lost their lives, primarily in training accidents, in Tonopah during World War II. Commissioned by Tonopah Main Street.

## 265 S. Main Street/next to VFW Post



Cross the street using the crosswalk in front of the VFW Post. Walk north towards the Mizpah Hotel. You will find the following murals along the way.

10. Tonopah Aviation Mural, Lee Bowerman, 2005: Depicting military and civilian aircraft that were based at or tested near Tonopah. Commissioned by Tonopah Main Street.

140 S. Main Street/side wall of Town Office



- 11. Stealth Monument, George F. (Whitey) Taylor, 1991: Depicting the F-117A Stealth Fighter Plane built by Lockheed and tested at Tonopah Test Range.
  - 140 S. Main Street/in front of Town Office



- 12. Cattle Drive 3-D Monument, Twisted Steel, 2021: Depicting a cattle drive showing many local ranchers' past and present brands. Commissioned by Tonopah Main Street.
  - 100 S. Main Street/sidewalk railings in front of Jim Butler Inn



- 13. Great Race Mural, Lee Bowerman, 2006: Depicting the New York to Paris Great Race of 1908, which stopped in Tonopah. Commissioned by Tonopah Main Street.
  - 112 N. Main Street/in front of Mizpah Club



Walk towards the Valero Super 7 gas station, cross the street using the crosswalk in front of the gas station.

- 14. Jim & Belle Butler Monument, Adam Skiles, 2005: Honoring our founders, Jim & Belle Butler, who are the reason Tonopah exists today. Commissioned by Tonopah Main Street.
  - 215 N. Main Street/Pocket Park & Tonopah Visitor Information Center



Walk south towards the Belvada Hotel.

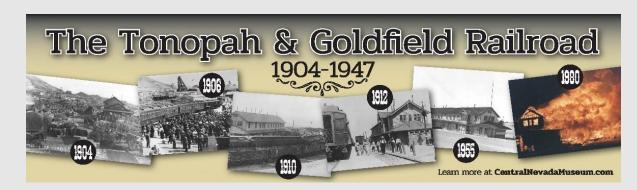
- 15. Cattle Drive 3-D Monument, Twisted Steel, 2021: Depicting a cattle drive showing many local ranchers' past and present brands. Commissioned by Tonopah Main Street.
  - 161 N. Main Street/sidewalk railings in front of the "McKim" building



Walk back to your car. Visit the remaining murals and monuments driving to each location in the order you desire.

## **Driving:**

- 16. Depot Mural: Depicting the Depot that served the Tonopah and Goldfield Railroad. It was built in 1904, abandoned in 1947, and destroyed by fire in 1980. Commissioned by the Town of Tonopah.
  - 360 N. Main Street/corner of Banc Club property facing north



- 17. Tonopah Miners Monument, Dave Prewitt, 2005: Honoring those miners who lost their lives in the mines between 1901 and 1941. Commissioned by Tonopah Main Street.
  - 521 N. Main Street/corner of Clown Motel parking lot facing north



- 18. Major General Olinto M. Barsanti Servicemen's Memorial Park ("Barsanti Park"): In memory of those who gave their lives to keep our country free.
  - 615 Bryan Avenue/Barsanti Park



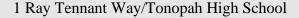
19. Big Casino Mural (inside Tonopah Station), Lee Bowerman, 2006: Depicting the Big Casino dance hall in 1908.

## 1137 S. Main Street/Tonopah Station Casino



You must enter the casino to view this mural. Please be mindful of business operations. Note that the mural is located in a bar area and access is only granted for anyone 21 years and older.

20. Mucker Monument, Adam Skiles: Depicting Tonopah High School's mascot, the Mucker, a person who removes dirt, rock, and waste at a mine.





Please be mindful of school and practice schedules. We recommend visiting this monument after hours.

We'd love to see you with our murals and monuments. Make sure to use the following hashtags on social media:

#tonopah #tonopahnv #tonopahnevada

#tonopahmainstreet #tonopahmurals #muraltownusa