

DISCOVER HISTORIC IONA



“Greatness lies not in being strong, but in the right use of strength,” by Henry Ward Beecher.

Step back in time as you explore the places, people, and stories that built the City of Iona. We hope you enjoy discovering the rich heritage that continues to shape our community today.

The history of Iona is a story of courage, determination, and community. When the first settlers arrived in 1884, they found a vast sagebrush desert with few comforts and many challenges. Their first priorities were simple but essential: building homes, planting crops, and bringing water to the land.

These pioneer families worked tirelessly to create a place they could call home. Some turned their wagons into temporary shelters, while others built willow huts, dugouts, or one-room earthen homes. As time passed, log cabins replaced temporary shelters, farms flourished, and the community continued to grow.

With growth came schools, churches, businesses, and gathering places. Through hard work and perseverance, these early settlers established the welcoming community of Iona that continues to thrive today.

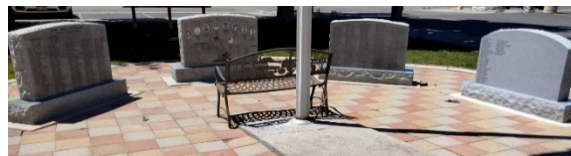


Explore Iona's Historic Sites

As you follow this self-guided tour, you'll discover many of the places that tell Iona's story, including:

- Iona City Building
- Iona Historical Museum
- Stanger Memorial Gallery
- Historic Iona Mercantile
- Historic Homes
- Pioneer Family Memorial
- Veterans Monument

Each stop offers a glimpse into the lives, sacrifices, and accomplishments of those who built Iona.



Iona Historical Museum

Learn more about the families who helped shape our community by visiting the Iona Historical Museum's featured exhibits, which highlight the people, stories, and artifacts that preserve Iona's rich heritage.

Open: Mondays, 6:00–8:00 p.m. (June–September), or by appointment.

For museum appointments or information, call: 208-497-8856 or 208-589-0288

Stanger Memorial Gallery

Home of the Bonneville Art Association, the Stanger Memorial Gallery celebrates the artistic heritage of our community.

Gallery Hours: Wednesdays, 9:30 a.m.–12:00 p.m.

For more information, contact:
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