## **EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY**

# The Jean Noble Parsons Center for the Study of Art and Science

### Student Visitor's Guide

The Jean Noble Parsons Center for the Study of Art and Science is an interdisciplinary educational center and natural area located in rural Lake Ann, Mich. The Center is the legacy of the late Jean Parsons, renowned sculptor and potter, and is run jointly by the Departments of Art, Biology and Psychology at EMU. For more information, see **emich.edu/parsons**.

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#### **Student Accommodations**

The residence hall accommodates 18 students in six rooms, each with three XL twin beds (one bunk and one single), dressers and clothes racks. There are also three large canvas tents with two heavy-duty cots each accommodating six students. The tents do not have electricity. A head lamp is recommended. Community bathrooms and showers are located in the dining hall.

#### **Classroom and Studio Building**

This building contains an art studio, tool room, classroom and wireless Internet.

#### **Dining Hall**

Students and faculty often prepare and share meals in the well-equipped kitchen, which includes a stove, dual ovens, microwave, refrigerator, dishwasher and outdoor grill. The building includes a lounge, outdoor deck, laundry and wireless Internet.

#### **Food and Services**

The Village of Ann Lake has two small grocery stores, Red Door Coffee House, The Stone Oven restaurant and other business establishments. Large grocery stores and more can be found in nearby Interlochen and Traverse City.

#### **Packing List**

XL Twin Sheet Set Blanket and Pillow Towels
Cell phone Toiletries Flash Light
Laptop Money Hiking Boots
Rain Gear Key Lanyard Head Lamp

#### **Parking**

All cars must be legally parked within designated parking spaces on the property. For your safety, do not park in the fire lanes or in front of the sleeping quarters. These areas are reserved for emergency vehicle access. No more than 18 cars are permitted on the property at any given time.

#### **Directions from Southeast Michigan**

Take I-75 North to US-10 West. Merge onto US-10 W via exit 162B toward Midland (49.5 miles). Merge onto US-10 W via exit 162 toward M-115 Ludington/Cadillac. (7.5 miles). Take the M-115 exit towards Cadillac. (0.5 miles). Turn right onto M-115. (55.4 miles). Turn right onto M-37 North towards Buckley. (7.9 miles). In Buckley, turn left and continue to follow M-37 North. (12.5 miles). At Menards, turn left onto US-31. (9.2 miles). Turn right onto Lake Ann Rd./CR-665. (4.5 miles). Turn right onto Maple Rd/.CR-610. (0.7 miles). Turn right onto Bellows Lake Rd. (0.5 miles). Go past Nofsger Rd. and Ransom Lake Nature Area Sign. Continue slowly downhill on Bellows Lake Road (0.5 miles). Merge right into the EMU Parsons Center.

#### **Keys**

Instructors will issue individual keys to you after you sign a form acknowledging receipt of your keys. You must ensure that all keys issued to you are safeguarded and properly used until their return to the instructor. Keys may not be duplicated.

#### Cleaning

Groups are encouraged to keep the facility clean, leaving the center how they found it.

#### **Bellows Lake Access**

The center has two rowboats for guest use. The capacity of each boat is two persons. No more than two boats may access Bellows Lake from the center at one time. Bellows Lake is open to licensed fishermen. All persons using University boats will wear life jackets and observe all other rules governing the use of watercraft. The Center makes no provision for supervised swimming and assumes no responsibility for the safety of swimmers.

#### Hiking

All faculty, students and visitors of the Parsons Center should stay within the perimeter of the property or within designated public lands and avoid trespass on adjacent private property.

#### Rules

- Campfires are only permitted in the house fire ring. Never leave a fire unattended. Do not remove burning logs from the fire ring. Use water to extinguish campfires completely.
- No off-road driving permitted.
- No firearms or weapons are allowed on the property.
- Noise shall be kept at a low level at all times.
- There is no smoking in the buildings. Cigarettes are to be disposed of properly.
- Unless otherwise stipulated, all University policies that apply on main campus also apply at the Jean Noble Parsons Center.
- All Federal, State and Local laws are to be observed.

#### **Mail Service**

U.S. Mail service is not available at the Parsons Center. UPS and Federal Express will leave packages on the front porch of the house. EMU cannot take responsibility for such shipments.

