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showcase for lowa artists, the Patty and Jim Cownie Cultural Center is truly the center of art on the Fairgrounds. Home to the state's

largest art show, it features exhibits in fine arts, photography, creative arts, and wood projects.

Built in 1948 as the 4 H Club Girls' Dormitory, it became the Cultural Center in 1981.

Transformation of the building to the current Cultural Center included installing new lighting, removing interior walls, adding new display cases and freshening the paint inside and out. Starting in 2012, the three phase building renovations included a focus on improved accessibility with expanded walkways, restroom facilities, third floor access, two working elevators and air conditioning.

Located on the east side of the building, the Courtyard is a place to relax while enjoying hands on artistic activities. Celebrate a State Fair memory, preserve your blue ribbon achievement or leave your personal legacy with an engraved charcoal, concrete paver in the Courtyard's plaza. Your purchase supports the renovation and preservation of the Fairgrounds. For a contribution of \$200, an 8 x 8" paver will be engraved. An 8 x 16" paver can be engraved for a donation of \$500.

The deadline to have your paver in place before the lowa State Fair is March 31.

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