



Where's Bill?

Activities listed take place 6/22/22-9/30/22, unless otherwise noted

DOWNTOWN

- 1 Fort Wayne Museum of Art**
311 E Main St
Enjoy an exhibit on Bill Blass' fashion career and take part in children's activities including a "Blassport."
- 2 The History Center**
302 E Berry St
Enjoy an exhibit of Blass' childhood and his WWII Ghost Army experience. Purchase a Ghost Army Commemorative Coin at the Gift Shop, \$15 each.
- 3 Bill Blass Metal Sculptures**
Main St, and Barr St
Take in three sculptures reminiscent of Blass fashion created by metal sculpture artist Greg Mendez.
- 4 Allen County Public Library**
900 Library Plaza
Activities include "to go" kits at all branches and digitized historical items from Bill Blass Ltd, family, and friends.

5 Visit Fort Wayne Visitors Center

927 S Harrison St
Discover select Bill Blass promotional items – coloring books, Ghost Army commemorative coins, stickers and more.

NEARBY

- 6 Veteran's National Museum**
2122 O'Day Rd
The memorial shrine and museum is home to an exhibit highlighting Blass' WWII Ghost Army experience, including an inflatable tank. Purchase a Ghost Army Commemorative Coin, \$15 each.
- 7 Childhood Home**
3601 S Calhoun St
Drive by and spot the permanent ARCH-approved historical/educational plaque.
- 8 South Side High School**
3601 S Calhoun St
Bill Blass' alma mater – he was a 1940 graduate.

9 Bill Blass Bridge

Allen County bridge on Bostick Rd
This Historic bridge transformation now has an iconic name – and is a beautiful space for reflection and unique photo opportunities.

10 Oh Five Scoop

1937 E State Blvd
Enjoy a Free kiddie cone for all kids who present completed FWMOA Blassport (rules apply). You can also enjoy the Bill Blass featured sundae – recipe reminiscent of a Blass favorite.

11 Bob Thomas Ford

310 W Coliseum Blvd
See the showroom display of 1979 and 1982 Blass-designed vintage Mark V Lincoln Continentals

12 Blass Family Cottage

280 Lane 280, Lake James
Drive by and see the permanent historical/educational plaque on this Blass family-owned cottage 1906-1945.



Bill Blass Blast 100 Days of Bill Blass IN FORT WAYNE, INDIANA

ADDITIONAL SPECIAL EVENTS AND EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES

Fort Wayne Museum of Art

311 E Main St

- **June 22 at 2:00 pm:** Press conference and proclamation by Mayor Henry
- **July 9 and 10:** Chalk Walk
- **August 5 at 6:30 pm:** Lecture – Kelly Richardson, Faculty Director, Eskenazi School of Art

PBS

Channel 39

Airing of interview w/Rick Beyer, author, filmmaker, presenter, Ghost Army of WWII

- **June 24 at 7:30 pm:**
Primetime, PBS Fort Wayne, Channel 39-1
- **June 25 at 6:30 pm and June 26 at 8:00 pm:**
PBS FW Explore, Channel 39-4
- **Sept 9 at 7:30 pm:**
Primetime, PBS Fort Wayne, Channel 39-1
- **Sept 10 at 6:30 pm and Sept 11 at 8:00 pm:**
PBS FW Explore, Channel 39-4

Airing of Ghost Army documentary

- **June 26 at 2 pm:** PBS Fort Wayne, Channel 39-1
- **Sept 11 at 2 pm:** PBS Fort Wayne, Channel 39-1

Philharmonic Patriotic Pops

Parkview Field, 1301 Ewing Street

July 3 at 8:30 pm: Event includes Bill Blass on jumbotron

Allen County Public Library

900 Library Plaza

- **August 25 at 7:00 pm:** Presentation – Kate Rowold, Curator, 2002 IU Bill Blass exhibition
- **September 9 at 10-11:30 am:** Discussion – Rick Beyer, Ghost Army author, Bruce Haines, PBS; book signing

Taste of the Arts Festival

Main St., Arts United, Landing, Promenade Park

August 27 at 11:00 am

Be a Tourist in Your Own Hometown

Downtown locations

September 11 at 12-5 pm

Cinema Center

437 E Berry St

September 30: It's a Wrap – video of Celebration candid photos; fashion-focused film; free popcorn!

Pigeon Creek Welcome Center

I-69 S Pleasant Lake, IN

June 22: Display near Lake James cottage owned by Blass family, 1906-1945.

To Learn more: VisitFortWayne.com/BillBlass