

THE WRIGHT STUFF

Frank Lloyd Wright exhibit is opening in Manitowoc



Volunteer Dan Juchniewich helps set up the Frank Lloyd Wright Architecture of the Interior exhibit at the Rahr-West Art Museum in Manitowoc. / Sue Pischke/Gannett Wisconsin Media

MANITOWOC — A national exhibit on homes and interiors designed by famed architect Frank Lloyd Wright will make its lone Wisconsin stop in Manitowoc.

The show, Frank Lloyd Wright: Architecture of the Interior, opens Sunday at the Rahr-West Art Museum and runs through Aug. 4.

It will include drawings of homes and interiors, period photographs of interiors and some blueprints, said Gregory Vadney, the museum's executive director.

Along with that exhibit, the museum will show seven framed textiles and 10 furniture pieces designed by Wright as part of a partnership with the University of Wisconsin-Madison and the Wright-designed Bernard Schwartz House in Two Rivers. The additional items are on loan from UW-Madison and several Wright-designed homes in Wisconsin.

"The thing that I think Wright captured was a community-centered life in all of his buildings. It was all centered on gathering people in a large space," Vadney said. "He did it in a modern way, not a lot of ornamentation ... huge fireplaces, big windows, but done in an extremely 20th century way so people thought of them as sleek* and modern and at the same time very comfortable."

Wright long had a home

in Spring Green.

The Rahr-West Art Museum is located at 610 N. Eighth St., Manitowoc. Gallery hours are from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday and 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. Admission is free but donations are appreciated. Suggested donations are \$4 for adults, \$2 for children.