

Guidelines

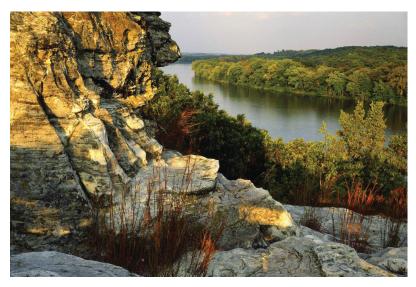
01. Chaut

Just about an hour and a half drive from Chicago, Milwaukee, Madison, and Cedar Rapids lie the rolling hills, old growth forests, and pristine rivers of Northwest Illinois. A place where every mile is steeped in history, surrounded by outdoor beauty, and dotted with distinctive small towns.



BRAND PROMISE

With an expanse of over 2,700 square miles, it's not hard to get lost in Northwest Illinois. And that's exactly the point. From the mighty Mississippi that carves out our western border to I-39 that frames our east side and everything in between, Northwest Illinois is more than a place on a map...it's a giant quilt made from a patchwork of unique places, people, sights, and sounds. Oh, and tastes. We don't expect you take in everything we have to offer all at once. In fact, it's better not to. Because we are best enjoyed in bits and pieces. Over a few hours, a couple of days, or maybe even a week. Northwest Illinois is an enriching escape for your inner explorer and a worthy accomplice to your outgoing experience gatherer. So, if you're looking for memories to make and moments you'll never forget, look no further than Northwest Illinois. And if you get a little off track on your journey, just go with it. Northwest Illinois. The far from one thing, near enough getaway.













02. Lagas

MAIN LOGOS

The Visit Northwest Illinois logo family consists of two logos: 1) One with a graphic and text and 2) one with just text in a circle. Each share the same typefaces and colors. Color variations and reverse options may be used in the appropriate situations. The text in a circle version should only be used when space is limited. The icon may be used separately from the logo.

1)



visit illinois

LOGO VARIATIONS

2)













CORRECT USAGE

Use the "nw" to determine the safe space around the logo. The logo should not appear smaller than one inch wide.



INCORRECT USAGE



Do not stretch the logo.



Do not remove elements from the logo.



Do not change the color of the logo.



Do not change the logo typeface.





PALE GREEN

RGB 237, 246, 237 CMYK 6, 0, 7, 0 HEX #EDFED

DEEP BLUE

RGB 0, 48, 67 CMYK 98, 72, 50, 49 HEX #003043

SKY BLUE

RGB 66, 190, 238 CMYK 62, 4, 0, 0 HEX #42BEEE

COLORS

These are Visit Northwest
Illinois' primary brand colors:
Charcoal, Deep Blue, Deep
Aqua, Sky Blue, and Off White.
The secondary and accent
colors are: Leafy Green, Pale
Green, and Sunset Orange.
Colors are inspired by
the natural landscape of
Northwest Illinois.

RGB 0, 105, 143 CMYK 92, 53, 27, 6 HEX #00698F

DEEP AQUA

LEAFY GREEN

RGB 111, 181, 68 CMYK 62, 5, 100, 0 HEX #6FB544

OFF WHITE

RGB 255, 254, 244 CMYK 0, 0, 4, 0 HEX #FFFEF4

SUNSET ORANGE

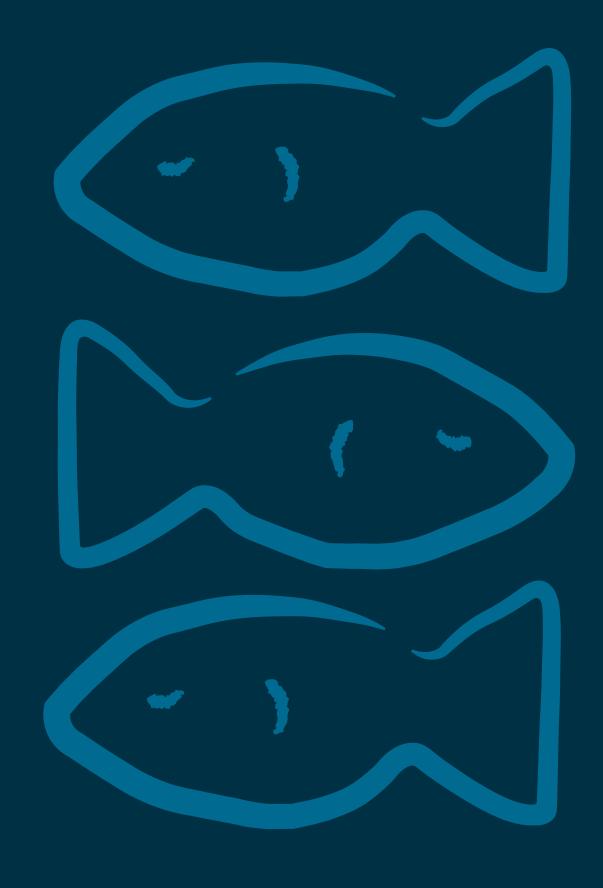
RGB 243, 133, 66 CMYK 0, 70, 80, 0 HEX #F37142

CHARCOAL

RGB 42, 45, 42 CMYK 71, 62, 66, 65 HEX #2A2D2A

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04. Typography

TYPOGRAPHY

Typefaces when used consistently create an effective presence and provide a sense of familiarity for the viewer. They also provide a unified look and feel throughout all communications.

The Museo font family features simple, open forms that have highly original details. It is available in slab serif and sans serif versions.

Museo Slab **700** Bold

Aa Bb Cc Dd Ee Ff Gg Hh Ii Jj Kk Ll Mm Nn Oo

Pp Qq Rr Ss Tt Uu Vv Ww Xx Yy Zz

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Museo Slab is perfect for headlines and subheads. It is to be used in all caps with extra tracking.

Museo **Sans 500**

Aa Bb Cc Dd Ee Ff Gg Hh Ii Jj Kk Ll Mm Nn

Oo Pp Qq Rr Ss Tt Uu Vv Ww Xx Yy Zz

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Museo Sans is available in upper and lower case and should be used when legibility is key, especially for body copy. Use in various weights when appropriate.

Interstate Compressed Regular

Aa Bb Cc Dd Ee Ff Gg Hh Ii Jj Kk Ll Mm Nn

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Interstate Compressed is a condensed typeface and can be used for subheads in all caps with 75 pt tracking.

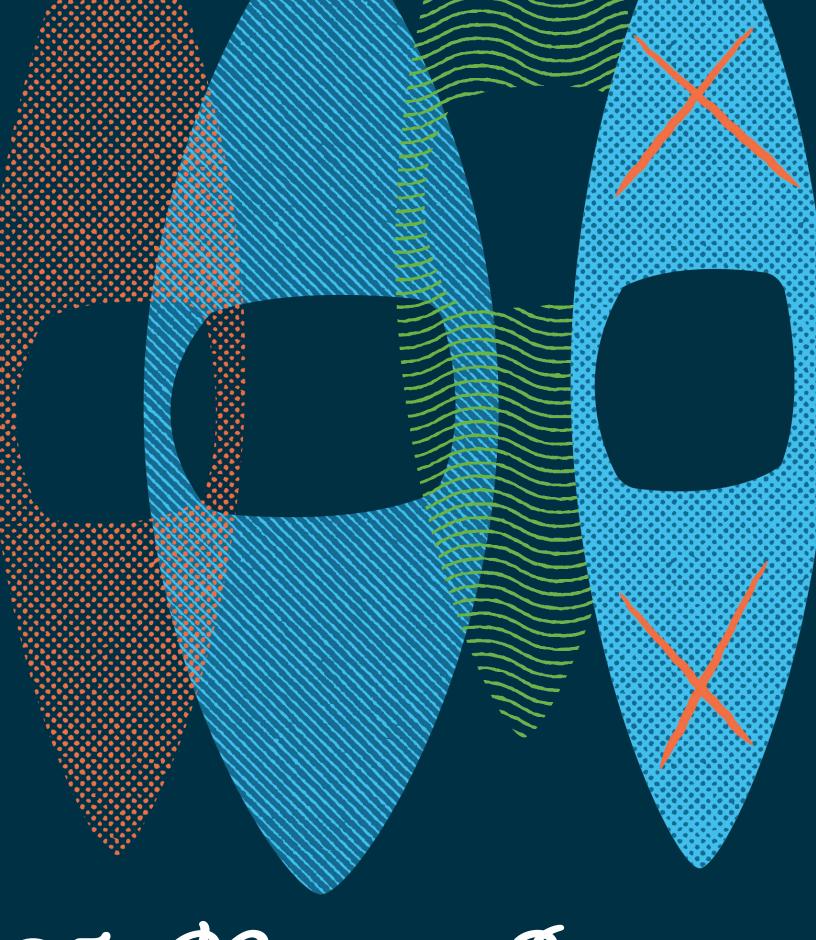
Fairwater Script

Aa Bb Cc Dd & Ff Gg Ah Li Y Kk Li Mm

Nn Oo Pp Qq Rr Ss It Uu Vv Ww Xx Yy Zz

Bold 0123456789

Fairwater Script is a more playful font and works well as both a headline and accent font. It is meant to be used in a large size to draw attention and add personality to a piece. It should never be used in all caps.



05. Brand Elements

BRAND ELEMENTS

BADGE

The NW Illinois badge may be used as a social icon and a design element.



ICONS

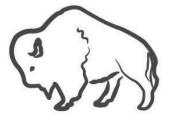
Icons may be used along side activities that correspond with each category. They may also be used as design elements.



LIVE MUSIC



FARMERS MARKET



NATURE



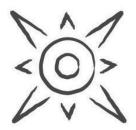
KAYAKING



HIKING



THE ARTS



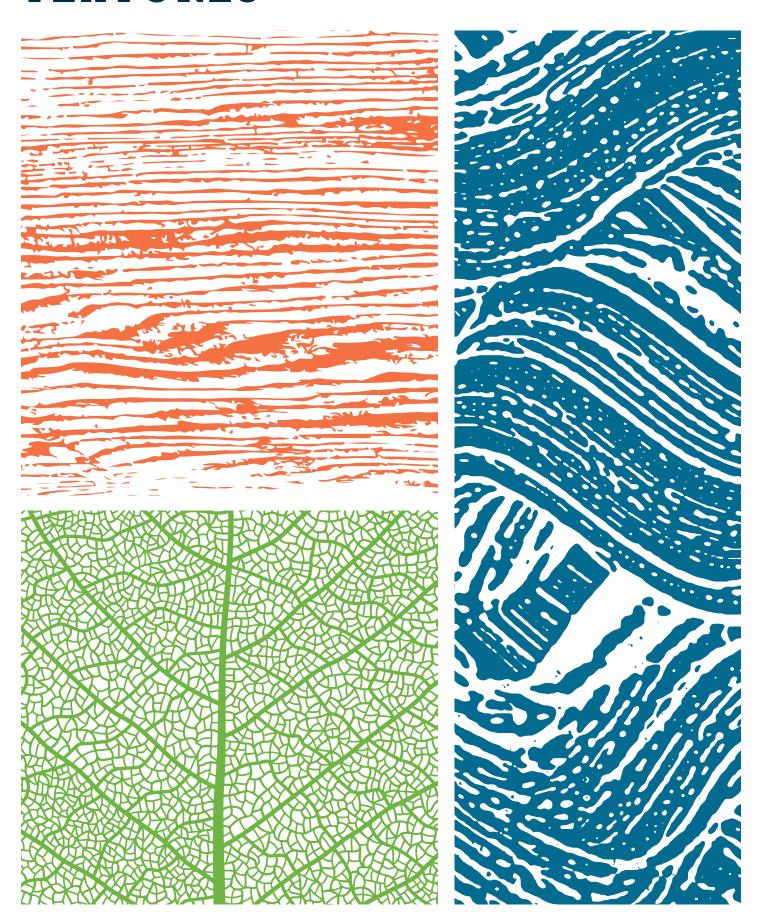
HISTORY & ARCHITECTURE



FISHING



TEXTURES





06. Stationery

STATIONERY

LETTERHEAD



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BUSINESS CARDS



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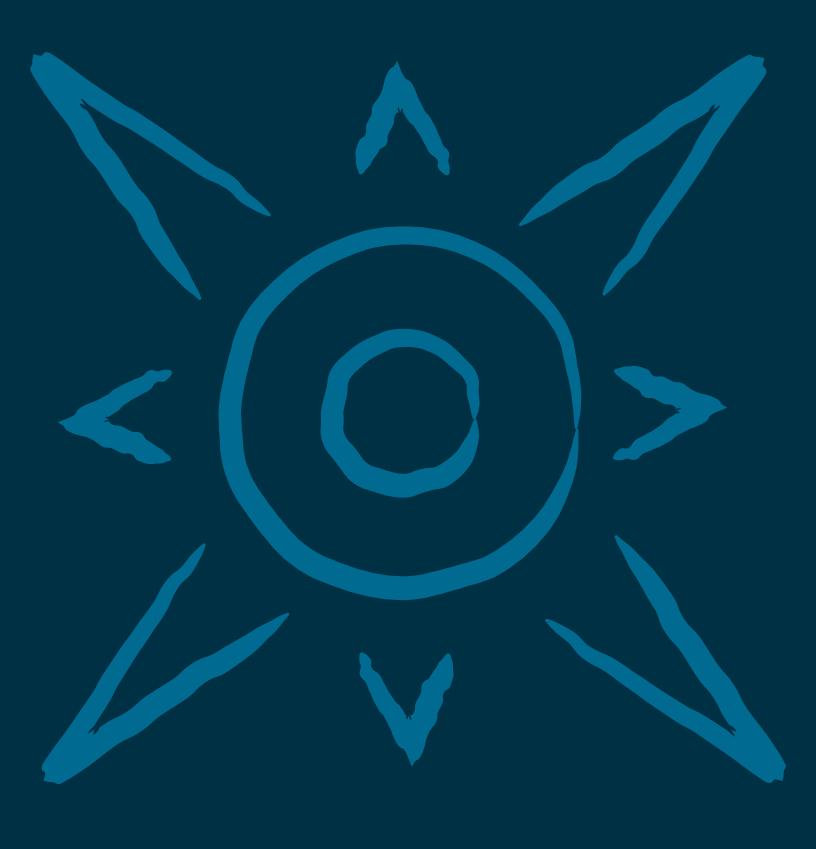




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07. Digital

DIGITAL ADS

DIGITAL ADS CONSIST OF FIVE ELEMENTS:

- 1. Image relating to the topic, place, or event being promoted.
- 2. "What's a memory worth? MAKE IT PRICELESS" lockup.
- 3. Single corresponding word in Fairwater Script that creatively relates to the subject matter.
- 4. Visit Northwest Illinois logo in a circle.
- 5. Enjoy Illinois logo.











08. Merch

MERCH





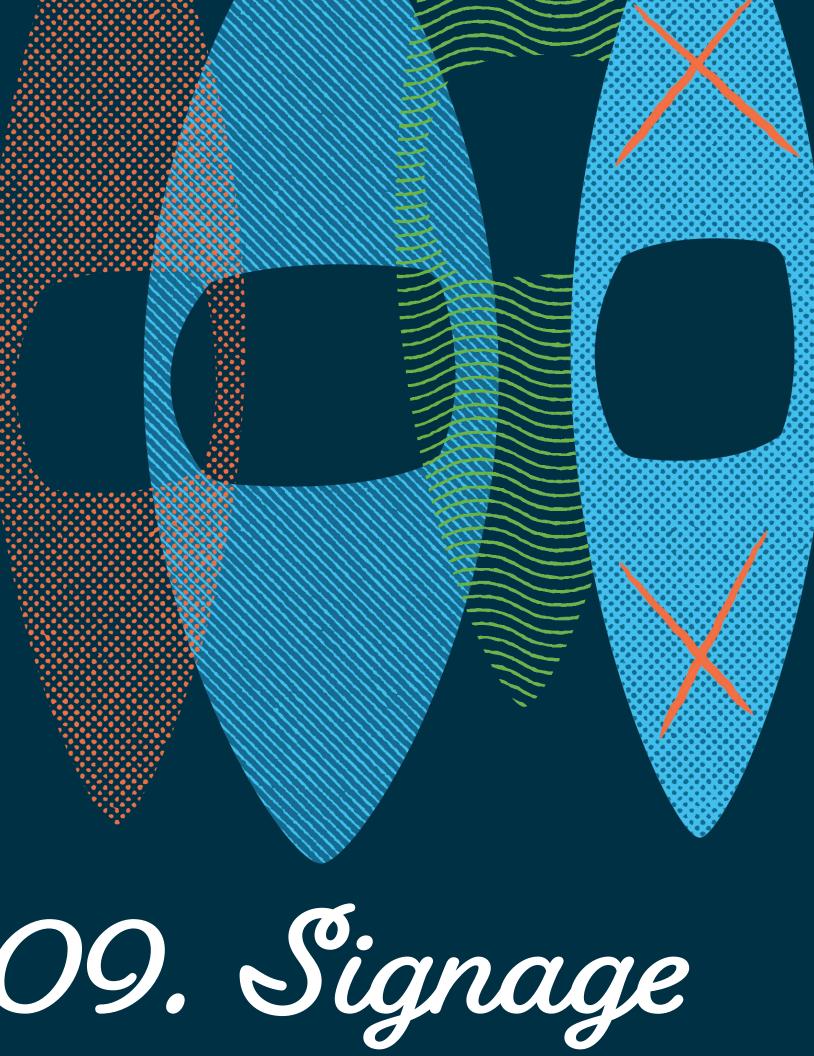












SIGNAGE



















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