

## **Tenney Park Vintage Postcard Installation**

On the Tenney Park Island, near the playground, you can see the permanent Tenney Park Vintage Postcard Installation. The five images were selected from 100 postcards from the early 1900's. Tenney Park was the first park developed by the Madison Park and Pleasure Drive Association (MPPDA). Dredging began in 1900 with the park finally completed in 1916. The first design was created by O.C. Simonds and had more of a serpentine look for the lagoon with 3 small islands. It was redesigned by John Nolan in 1909 as an active recreational park.

The Vintage Postcard Installation was created by Caroline Hoffman. The postcard sculptures were made by Mike Burns. The postcards were contributed from the private collections of Frank Mooney, Pat Mooney, Ann Waidelich and Jackie Kaplan. Assistance in the creation and funding of the installation was given by Karen Crossley, Patty Prime and Lois Bergerson.

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### **THE FIVE POSTCARDS ON EXHIBIT**



Two women and one man are enjoying an afternoon by the banks of the Tenney Park Lagoon. There is no postmark date. Published by E.A. Bishop, Racine, Wis.





The foot bridge connecting the island with Thornton Ave was built in 1904 with \$418 donated by D.K. Tenney. This postcard was postmarked 1911. Published by E.A. Bishop, Pub, Racine, Wis.



G 30578 Outlet of Lake Mendota, Madison, Wisconsin.

A spillway carried water from Lake Mendota around a mill and into the Catfish (Yahara) River. Used prior to 1903, postmarked 1907. Publisher: The Rotograph Co, NY City.





The Yahara River lock and dam built in 1906 and replaced with current locks in 1958 and updated in 2006. No postmark date. Publisher: The Hugh C Leighton Co Manufacturer, Portland Me.



The Yahara River, postmarked 1912, Publisher: The Hugh C. Leighton Co Manufacturers, Portland, ME, U.S.A.