

EVENTS

SIEUR DU LUTH SUMMER ARTS FESTIVAL – WAS NOT LISTED IN 2011 GUIDE

University of Minnesota Duluth
(218) 726-8561

www.umdartsfest.com

UMD's renowned School of Fine Arts brings to life an amazing variety of theatre, opera, jazz, and chamber music at the fifth annual Sieur Du Luth Summer Arts Festival. Featured performances include Mozart's rollicking opera, *Don Giovanni*, a production for children, and the musical, *Working*, written by Stephen Schwartz and based on the writings of Studs Terkel. Jazz and chamber music evenings return this year. Check out the Sieur Du Luth Summer Arts Festival website for a thrilling summer of song and dance.

GRANDMA'S MARATHON

WORLD CLASS EVENT – SMALL TOWN CHARM!

June 16-18, 2011

Don't miss Grandma's Marathon's 35th anniversary – Thursday, June 16 through Saturday, June 18. This Duluth weekend tradition highlights the best of what the Northland has to offer including breathtaking scenery, unmatched hospitality and passionate community spirit.

Grandma's Marathon, one of the largest marathons in the U.S., features a beautiful point-to-point course that starts just outside of Two Harbors, Minn., and runs along the scenic north shore of Lake Superior. Excellent aid stations staffed by enthusiastic volunteers line the 26.2-mile stretch, and thousands of excited spectators cheer on race participants as they run toward the finish line in Duluth's famous Canal Park. As part of the 35th anniversary celebration, all marathon participants will receive a commemorative Grandma's Marathon cinch bag and aluminum water bottle.

The Garry Bjorklund Half Marathon, William A. Irvin 5K, Whipper Snapper Races for Kids, Michelina's All-You-Can-Eat Spaghetti Dinner, Essentia Health Fitness and Health Expo, guest speaking presentations and live musical entertainment accompany Grandma's Marathon and help make it an experience that runners and their families will remember forever!

For more information, contact Grandma's Marathon at:

PO Box 16234, 55816

Phone: (218) 727-0947

Fax: (218) 727-7932

E-mail: grandmas@grandmasmarathon.com

Website: www.grandmasmarathon.com

DULUTH FOURTHFEST 2011

The Midwest's greatest Fourth of July celebration and fireworks extravaganza! Visit Bayfront Festival Park during the Independence Day concert featuring national entertainers, arts and crafts activities, a children's playground and delicious food and beverage concessions. No bottles, cans or coolers, please. Fireworks display sponsored by Visit Duluth.

23RD ANNUAL BAYFRONT BLUES FESTIVAL

Held August 12, 13, & 14, one of the largest annual outdoor music festivals in the Midwest showcases over 30 national performances on two concert stages. Additional weekend events include live Blues at nearly 20 local nightclubs. Full concessions available; no coolers, cans or bottles, please.

For more information, call (715) 394-6831. www.bayfrontblues.com; bayfrontbluefest@aol.com.

AMSOIL® DULUTH NATIONAL SNOCROSS

November 25-27, 2011

Spirit Mountain is host to what is known far and wide as the biggest snowmobile event of its kind; the AMSOIL Duluth National Snocross. If you're an extreme sports fan, there's simply no better place to be Thanksgiving weekend. What was created by Visit Duluth in 1992 has developed into the kickoff event for the world's leading professional snowmobile racing circuit. At the "Nats" twenty, you're going to see the world's best snowmobile racing, period, along with a new products expo, freestyle exhibitions, fireworks and more. Sanctioned by the International Series of Champions (ISOC), pro-am riders compete for the prestigious C.J. Ramstad Memorial Cup. ISOC is snowmobiling's premier sanction body with its high-flying aerial displays, jumps, jolts and high-speed runs. Part of the AMSOIL Champion Snocross Series, it's bright lights, big city, triple jumps and it all plays out on tons of man-made snow. Biggest. Baddest. Boldest. Oldest. Spirit Mountain has earned an iconic reputation in the sport of snowmobiling. You can view all of the action from either outdoor bleachers or from inside the cozy, newly renovated chalet. With 1,000 entries and 36,000 fans, this much anticipated start to winter is always full of edgy new twists. "The snocross event by which all others are measured," say snow industry publications, is a holiday tradition. For more information, go to www.visitduluth.com/snocross.

JOURNEY INTO THE HOLIDAYS

Hop aboard the "Polar Express" at Fitger's Brewery Complex and journey along the Lakewalk to the Lake Superior Railroad Museum. When you step off the train, you'll enter the museum through a path lit by luminaries. Inside, discover a holiday haven filled with carolers, an antique model railroad display and costumed actors performing a live reading of the Polar Express. After a visit with Santa, pick up your complimentary "imagine" jingle bell and reboard the train back to Fitger's, where warm cocoa and cocoa by a bonfire await.

CHRISTMAS CITY OF THE NORTH PARADE

NOVEMBER 18

A Northern Minnesota tradition. The parade signals the beginning of the holiday season. Santa makes his first appearance along with colorful lighted floats, marching bands and pageantry. The parade features nearly 70 groups including 20 bands, 9 dance groups, various local royalty courts, plus the "big guy in red."

The parade route begins at the Northland's NewsCenter Studios at Lake Avenue South and Railroad Street in Canal Park. The parade travels up Lake Avenue to Superior Street and ends at 5th Avenue West. The 2011 Christmas City of the North Parade is November 18 and begins at 6:30 p.m.

BENTLEYVILLE AT BAYFRONT FESTIVAL PARK

NOVEMBER 19-DECEMBER 26

www.bentleyvilleusa.org

info@bentleyvilleusa.org

Come to Bayfront Festival Park as it is transformed into one of the largest holiday lighting displays in the Midwest. Visitors will be greeted by the spectacular Bentleyville Castle that stands 24' high and 78' long. This premier event, which is completely handicapped accessible, allows visitors to stroll through a magical atmosphere geared toward all ages young and old. Complimentary hot chocolate, coffee and cookies will warm and welcome visitors at the Cookie House. Don't forget the Polar Popcorn Hut and be sure to roast your

marshmallows at one of the 15 fire pits. Among the lighted displays, you will be amazed by all the Tall Ships, Aerial Lift Bridge, Enger Tower and a 110' replica of a 1,000' ore boat.

For more information, please see bentleyvilleusa.com.

Take the Train from Fitger's to Bentleyville. Go to www.fitgers.com for more details.

JOHN BEARGREASE SLED DOG MARATHON—28TH RUNNING

Jan 28-Feb 3, 2011
218 1/2 W Superior St, 55802
(218) 722-7631

www.beargrease.com
info@beargrease.com

Facebook: John Beargrease Sled Dog Marathon

The historic 390-mile Beargrease is the longest sled dog race in the lower 48 states and a prequalifying race to the Iditarod. International mushers and their teams brave the rugged terrain and elements of Minnesota's North Shore trails from Duluth to the Canadian Border and then back to Duluth. Fitger's is the official race week headquarters. This year's Gala Dinner on Friday, Jan. 28, 2011, features 4-time Iditarod Champion Jeff King as the speaker. Tickets available at www.beargrease.com. Other race events include the Cutest Puppy Contest, Opening Ceremonies and the Beargrease Race Start. Events are open to the public. Checkpoints - Two Harbors, Beaver Bay, Finland, Tofte for the Mid-Distance Race Finish, Sawbill, Devil Track, the Gunflint Trails, Trail Center and Billy's for the Marathon Finish. Facebook: John Beargrease Sled Dog Marathon and check out www.beargrease.com for 2011 race information.

DULUTH SUPERIOR SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

331 W Superior St, 55802
(218) 623-DSSO (3776)

www.dssso.com
tickets@dssso.com

The Duluth Superior Symphony Orchestra (DSSO) is a centerpiece of the Twin Ports area's eminence in the performing arts. The DSSO is the largest arts organization north of the Twin Cities. Its professional status and program are enriched by 100 musicians, many drawn from the music departments of three local colleges and universities, and the exceptional sound of the Duluth Auditorium (DECC) concert hall. This auditorium's new specially engineered \$1,000,000 acoustic shell is the ensemble's finest instrument, extolled by its audience and critics.

The orchestra was founded in 1932, and today flourishes under the baton of Music Director Markand Thakar.

Each season the DSSO presents seven classical concerts, three pops concerts and occasional special offerings. The orchestra also supports three youth ensembles that perform throughout the year.

Tickets are available by calling (218) 623-3776 or at the DSSO office. View the full concert calendar at www.dssso.com.

PERFORMING ARTS AT THE DULUTH ENTERTAINMENT CONVENTION CENTER

Take in world-class Broadway plays, musicals, dance and more at the Duluth Entertainment Convention Center. For more information on the latest happenings, or to reserve tickets, call (800) 745-3000 or go to www.decc.org.

GREAT LAKES POND HOCKEY ADULT CLASSIC

January 28-30, 2011

Take in some exciting amateur hockey action—and enjoy gorgeous winter scenery—at the Great Lakes Pond Hockey Adult Classic, held across the bridge at Barker’s Island in Superior. The tournament features teams skating 4-on-4, without a goalie, on a rink slightly smaller than regulation. Games are divided into two 15-minute halves, and no checking is allowed. 4 divisions: Open, Over 40, Novice and Women. For more information, contact Mike McCoshen at (715) 394-6015.

12TH ANNUAL "WARMER BY THE LAKE"

February 12, 2011

Bayfront Festival Park will be the hottest place to be in Duluth at the 11th Annual "Warmer By the Lake." Pack up the kids, grab your skates and head on down to Bayfront for a fun-filled day of winter activities brought to you by Duluth Parks and Recreation. There will be an ice skating pond, snow shoeing, and marshmallow roasting. Folks can come in out of the cold and enjoy free hot chocolate and cookies as well as enjoy music in the large warming tent or warm up by the bonfire. The event goes from 2-5 pm.

POSITIVE ENERGY OUTDOOR (ED)VENTURES PRESENTS:

MUSH FOR KIDS

Saturday, February 26, 2011

Marshall School, 1215 Rice Lake Rd, 55811

(218) 391-0147; (218)-428-5990

www.outdooredventures.org

info@outdooredventures.org

Share the excitement of winter at our ninth annual Mush for Kids!, a winter family festival, on February 26, 2011 at Marshall School from 12-4pm. Activities for kids and families include dogsled rides for children ages 3-12, horse-drawn sleigh rides, cross-country skiing, skijoring, snowshoeing, winter camping demonstrations, cookies and cocoa. All equipment is provided—bring the family for a fun afternoon of winter activities! Admission is \$10/person and supports Positive Energy Outdoor (ed)Ventures programming for local youth. Free for children under 3.

KERNZ & KOMPANY PRESENTS:

MN ARMY NATIONAL GUARD HIGH SCHOOL ALL-STAR HOCKEY GAME

MARCH 15, 2011

AMSOIL Arena

www.kernz.com

info@kernz.com

On Tuesday, March 15, future Collegiate and National Hockey League (NHL) players will take to the ice in Duluth for the High School All-Star Hockey Game. Come and watch the best high school hockey players from the Duluth area battle the best of the Iron Range and Northern Minnesota. The teams will battle for the “Dick Stewart Cup,” for the 13th consecutive year. Make sure to arrive early and catch all the action of the “super skills competition” that takes to the ice at 5:30pm followed by the game,” at 7:15pm.

For more information and rosters, log onto www.kernz.com or by calling 218-628-9996.

13TH ANNUAL HOMEGROWN MUSIC FESTIVAL

May 1-8, 2011

www.duluthhomegrown.com

Duluth is a hotbed of original live music. Homegrown Music Festival is an annual community celebration of the talent found right here in Duluth. The festival features eight days of events, concerts, and even a locally produced film festival. The celebration culminates in a weekend (May 7-8) featuring 100 bands at a dozen different venues in downtown Duluth. The festival features everything from teenage punk bands, to garage bands, to nationally and internationally touring acts like Low, Charlie Parr, Trampled by Turtles, and the Alrights. From folk to rap to punk to plain old “rawk and/or roll,” Homegrown is an authentically Duluth experience, from local talent, to local venues, to locally brewed beer on tap, to the DTA trolleys that carry festival attendees from venue to venue—Homegrown is an experience like you won’t find anywhere else.

DULUTH FESTIVAL OPERA

(218) 728-8949

info@dfopera.org

duluthdoesopera@gmail.com

www.dfopera.org

Please visit our website at www.dfopera.org for our 2011 schedule of events or call (218) 728-8949.

GOLDEN GLOVES BOXING AT THE GARDEN

The third Thursday of every month (except July and August)

Horton’s Gym in Duluth, Minnesota has produced some legendary nationally ranked fighters, including Zach “Jungle Boy” Walters and Andy “Chaos” Kolle, currently the Minnesota middle weight champion and ranked in the world). These pros and many others honed their skills at Golden Gloves boxing events like these Fight Nights at Grandma’s Sports Garden. Witness Duluth’s finest amateur athletes competing for boxing supremacy against the best fighters from competing gyms all over the Midwest. Every third Thursday at the Garden is when amateur fighters from ages 13 to 40 test their skills against the best. And we “mix it up” with special edition Golden Gloves series which includes events like celebrity boxing and even an Ireland vs. the USA match up on St. Patty’s Day. The atmosphere at Grandma’s Sports Garden is electric and unlike any other venue for boxing with dining and a full bar available. Golden Gloves also features some great local talent between the fights so the entertainment is nonstop. The doors open at 5 pm and the first fight starts at 7 pm.

15TH ANNUAL BATTLE OF THE JUGBANDS

Memorial Weekend Sunday

May 29, 2011

(218) 722-6895

elliott@elliottbrothers.com

www.elliottbrothers.com

Held on Sunday, May 29 from 1-7 pm, Battle of the Jugbands is a celebration of Old Tyme String Band Music with a variety of bands vying for the Coveted Yid-Wegian Krumkake Iron. Sponsored by Icehouse Studio, de Elliot bros, Coho Hand Cream for Men, Lucy's Hat Shop and Teds Do What Ya Do Well BAR-B-Q. Open Jug Jam Saturday, May 28 from 7-10 pm.

Both events are held at Amazing Grace Bakery and Café.

LAKE SUPERIOR CHAMBER ORCHESTRA

PO Box 434, 55801

www.lakesuperiorchamberorchestra.org

(218) 525-4076 • Cmd5201@yahoo.com

The award-winning Lake Superior Chamber Orchestra performs innovative chamber music on five Wednesday evenings in June and July at Weber Music Hall on the campus of the University of Minnesota Duluth. Founded

in 1987 under the direction of Warren Friesen, the LSCO is a three-time recipient of the ASCAP (American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers) Award for Adventurous Programming. Featuring talented regional soloists, the LSCO has an enviable reputation for artistic excellence and imaginative concert programs that include new compositions and collaborations with other artists and art forms, as well as beloved classical works. For more information, or to view our 2011 performance schedule, visit our website: www.lakesuperiorchamberorchestra.org.

SOUND UNSEEN

Summer 2011

Sound Unseen International – Duluth

info@soundunseen.com

Richard Hanson, Director

(612) 227-8015 • soundunseen.com

Sound Unseen will provide a relaxed and intimate setting for an international and star-studded group of filmmakers, celebrities, producers, directors, writers, media, students and film enthusiasts to enjoy the independent film scene. Summer is one of Duluth's most beautiful times of year with inns, stores, restaurants and galleries fully operational. From its eleventh year in the Twin Cities, Sound Unseen (SU) is pleased to celebrate its second appearance in Duluth and is expected to attract thousands of attendees.

11TH ANNUAL LINCOLN PARK WALLEYE OPEN

June 18, 2011; 8am-9pm

Fish on the St. Louis River, Weigh-in at Rice's Point, and enjoy the awards ceremony at Bedrock Bar

PO Box 16306, 55816

(218) 727-6573

www.lincolnparkfishing.com

www.LPBG.org

info@LPBG.org

This family-fun fishing event attracts about 400 fishing enthusiasts from across the region to compete for more than \$20,000. 1st through 39th place all receive great prizes, with the largest cash prize of \$1,000 going to 40th place.

41ST ANNUAL PARK POINT ART FAIR

June 25 & 26, 2011 • 10am-5pm

Park Point Recreation Area • Free

Enjoy a festive family tradition in a welcoming and unique natural environment. The Park Point Art Fair, one of the region's premiere festivals of original art and fine craft, offers free admission and parking for a weekend of exhibits, live music, food and more. With 100+ juried artists from across the region and country, you'll find artwork that speaks to the whimsical, functional and serious collector alike. Whether you're looking for jewelry, ceramics, paintings, photography, sculpture, glass, clothing and more, come to simply stroll a pine-lined path beside Lake Superior. Converse with artists. See demonstrations. Make children's art. Hear songs and stories. And revel in the fact that proceeds from the volunteer-led event are used to support habitat preservation, public youth programs, civic engagement and other charitable causes.

Learn more:

www.parkpointartfair.org

(218) 428-1916

Park Point Community Club

PO Box 16236, 55802

DOWNTOWN DULUTH SIDEWALK DAYS FESTIVAL

July 6-8, 2011

(218) 727-8549

www.downtownduluth.com

Open-air shopping! Sidewalk Days is a perfect opportunity to enjoy great deals, delicious food, entertainment and art. Peruse the wares of dozens of unique clothiers, gift shops and more, and break for lunch at one of downtown's eclectic eateries. Also enjoy evening festivities including the Classic Car Show & Harley Review & Street Dances.

SIXTH ANNUAL BAYFRONT REGGAE/WOLRD MUSIC FESTIVAL – NEW PHOTOS

July 16 & 17, 2011

Bayfront Festival Park

5th Ave W and Railroad St, 55803

(218) 834-5037

www.bayfrontreggae.com

info@bayfrontreggae.com

Held July 16 and 17, 2011, Bayfront Reggae/World Music Festival is a tribute to world music and those artists who spread the message of love, hope and equality for all people across the globe. As the largest festival of its kind in Minnesota, international performers will entertain while you enjoy ethnic foods, beverages and a variety of artisans displaying their wares. Bayfront Festival Park is located right by the water and serves as the premier location for musical events. Visit our website for updates on the 2011 lineup, tickets, hotel accommodations, directions, and camping information. Full concessions available; no coolers, cans or bottles, please.

FREE RANGE FILM FESTIVAL

July 29-30, 2011

909 County Rd 4, Wrenshall, MN 55797

www.freerangefilm.com

mike@freerangefilm.com

The Free Range Film Festival is a celebration of independent film and country living. Films are screened inside a big old barn located in the heart of Minnesota's organic farm country.

35TH ANNUAL SPIRIT VALLEY DAYS HELD IN WEST DULUTH

August 2-6, 2011

www.spiritvalleydays.com

A true neighborhood festival! There is something for everyone. A pancake dinner, classic car show, Miss West Duluth Pageant, parade, stage shows, kids' games, the not-to-be missed Friday night street dance with headliner Hairball, and a 5K walk/run are just a few of the events planned. Daily stage shows include local and regional performers, dance troupes, magicians, and music groups. Come join the fun! Grand and Central Avenues, just off of I-35, in West Duluth.

TWIN PORTS LIGHTHOUSE DAYS

August 4-7, 2011

Lake Superior Maritime Visitor Center

600 S Lake Ave, 55802

www.lsmma.com

Join the fun participating in a series of special programs and activities celebrating the five lighthouses in the Duluth-Superior Harbor and those on Lake Superior. Free Admission. Handicap access via inside elevator and outside ramp.

PUT THE NEXT 5 EVENTS TOGETHER:

3RD ANNUAL ROOT BEER KIDS TRIATHLON

August 6, 2011

Pike Lake Auto Club, 55803

(218) 393-0970

In an effort to encourage kid fitness, the Brewhouse Triathlon added a kid's race – THE ROOT BEER KIDS TRI. For kids ages 5-14, the RBK Tri has three age divisions. Go to: www.brewhousetriathlon.com for event details.

**25TH ANNUAL
BREWHOUSE TRIATHLON**

August 7, 2011

Pike Lake Auto Club, 55803

(218) 393-0970

www.brewhousetriathlon.com

Drawing over 600 athletes from around the country and rated as one of the top 100 triathlons in the USA by *American Tri* magazine, the Brewhouse Triathlon has become one of the premier events in Duluth. Long course .8 mile swim, 20.6 mi bike, 5 mi run. Short course .3 mi swim, 10.3 mi bike, 2.5 mi run. Do as an individual or relay.

DULUTH TRAIL FEST 2011 – NEW EVENT

August 27-28, 2011 (new 2-day format)

www.duluthtrailfest.com

August 27 – Park Point 5K beach run (9am), Chester Tester Hill 5K Climb (5pm)

August 28 – The Superior Hiking Trail 15K (10am)

BACKWARDS MAN TRI

August 20, 2011

Island Lake Picnic Area

www.backwardsmantri.com

Long – 10 mi run, 48 mi bike, 1 mi swim. Begins at 9:30am

Short – 5K run, 20K bike, ½ mi swim. Begins at 8:45am

2011 BURRITO UNION 5 OR 10 HOUR TRI

September 10, 2011

Pattison Park, Superior, WI

www.burritounion10hourtri.com

1/3 mi swim, 14 mi bike, 5K run (repeat until all 5 or 10 hours are completed).

GLENSHEEN'S 17TH ANNUAL FESTIVAL OF FINE ART AND CRAFT

August 13 and 14, 2011 9am–5pm both days

On the Glensheen grounds

3300 London Rd, 55804

(888) 454-GLEN
www.glensheen.org
info@glensheen.org

The region's most talented artists will gather for Glensheen's 17th Annual Festival of Fine Art and Craft on Saturday and Sunday, August 13 and 14, 2011. The festival takes place on the shores of Lake Superior on Glensheen's grounds, an absolutely dazzling setting. While the Festival of Fine Art is not the largest show in the state, it just may be the most beautiful. Nestled between the great lake and a majestic mansion, a better location would be hard to find. Area musicians add to the ambience of the festival and vendors make sure that shoppers have plenty of food to fuel their browsing. Free admission, free parking, and free shuttle bus from UMD. House tours will be offered at regular rates during the Festival of Fine Art and Craft from 9:30am through 4pm, giving visitors an opportunity to explore Minnesota's most elegant house museum.

10th ANNUAL LAKE SUPERIOR DRAGON BOAT FESTIVAL

August 26 & 27, 2011

(866) 336-1107

www.lakesuperiordragons.com

The festival will be held on Barker's Island in Superior, Wisconsin and will feature live entertainment Friday and Saturday nights, food vendors, beer tents and of course, action-packed Dragon Boat racing all day Saturday. The festival is free to the public and is co-hosted by Harbortown Rotary Club of Duluth and Superior Rotary. 100% of the proceeds from the festival are distributed back into the communities of Duluth and Superior.

KERNZ & KOMPANY PRESENTS:

KIA OF DULUTH TIME TRIALS & CAR SHOW IN LINCOLN PARK

AUGUST 28, 2011

Garfield Avenue in Duluth's Lincoln Park

www.kernz.com

info@kernz.com

On Sunday, August 28, one of Duluth's most unique events returns to Garfield Avenue with the nation's only sanctioned "time trials" on a public road. Come and watch as more than 100 vehicles take to the streets as they roar down Garfield Avenue at speeds exceeding 150 miles per hour over 1/8 of a mile.

Gates open at 8am with ticket prices ranging from \$15 general admission to \$20 for bleacher seating. Also, make sure to come early and take in the car show with over 350 vehicles on display, including those scheduled to participate and race in the event. The D.A.D.S. Car Audio Sound-Off will also take place during the event and is guaranteed to leave your ears ringing.

For more information, log onto www.kernz.com or by calling (218) 628-9996.

DULUTH CHILDREN'S MUSEUM 3RD ANNUAL BUBBLE FESTIVAL

Bubble Magic & Family Fun

Celebrating the future home of the Duluth Children's Museum in Clyde Park

Sunday, August 28, 2011

1-4 pm

FREE & open to the public

Duluth Heritage Sports Center

120 S 30th Ave W, 55806

How BIG can a bubble be? Can you stand inside a bubble? Can you make your own bubble wand? Find out when you join the festivities during our second annual Bubble Festival, a day of bubble science and fun for the entire family. During the Bubble Festival, the Duluth Boys and Girls Club is offering free rock climbing and the Duluth Heritage Sports Center is offering a free ice skate period. Free T-shirts will be given to the first 200 guests. Call (218) 733-7543 or go to our website for details: www.duluthchildrensmuseum.org
Check us out on Facebook and become a museum fan.

25TH ANNUAL DULUTH-SUPERIOR PRIDE

September 1-4, 2011

Bayfront Festival Park

(866) 865-0652

www.dspride.com

twinportspride@gmail.com

Celebrate Pride in the Twin Ports Labor Day Weekend. Join thousands on the shore of Lake Superior as we commemorate our 25th year of Pride at Bayfront Festival Park.

Activities for everyone: the Mayor's reception, a bonfire, GLBTAQI history exhibit, music, family/kid's area, poetry, 5K Hummingbird Run, parties and the fabulous Fruit Float and Foo Foo Choo Choo.

Duluth-Superior Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender, Allied, Queer, Intersex (GLBTAQI) Pride serves the Duluth-Superior areas' GLBTAQI community by celebrating diversity, promoting understanding, education, acceptance, respect, healthy living, self-esteem, and equality. We seek to promote a positive image of the GLBTAQI community and end discrimination based upon sexual identity.

OKTOBERFEST DULUTH

September 15-September 17, 2011

Bayfront Festival Park - Free

info@oktoberfestduluth.com

www.oktoberfestduluth.com

Begins Thursday at 4 p.m. and ends Saturday at 11 p.m.

Get your oompah on at Oktoberfest Duluth! Polka bands, German food, costumes, beer games, keg toss, eating contests, and Oktoberfest beer styles from Fitger's Brewhouse and other Minnesota breweries!

16TH ANNUAL NORTSHORE INLINE MARATHON

September 17, 2011

PO Box 22, 55801

(218) 723-1503

www.northshoreinline.com

nsinline@northshoreinline.com

This fall, revisit Highway 61. Skate 26.2 or 13.1 along Lake Superior's storied shoreline. Over 4,000 skaters from 12 countries and 43 states will converge on the Northland for this, the largest skating event in North

America. For more information, including an entry form, log on to northshoreinline.com, or call (218) 723-1503.

HAUNTED SHIP

October 2011

(218) 722-7876

www.duluthhauntedship.com

Are you ready for a real scare? Here's the place for it; but we warn you, tour if you dare. Each year, for the month of October, the William A. Irvin transforms itself into a haunted ship, where the ghosts come alive. Your worst nightmares will come to life and it'll seem like they will never end. During the self-guided tour, you'll see how the once historic ore ship has been flipped inside out to reveal its true identity. The haunting of the Irvin is not just a rumor, mysterious sightings have been recorded. Don't be too sure the flickering lights and slamming doors are part of the act; our ghosts may appear at any time. Walking through the dark, eerie hallways, you'll get the feeling that you're never alone, because you won't be. In this ship, no place is safe. If you think you're brave enough to face your fears, come to the Haunted Ship. But remember, only the tough ones make it through alive. For more information, call (218) 722-7876.

BOO AT THE ZOO

October 8 & 15, 2011

www.lszoo.org

Boo at the Zoo is a much-loved Halloween event that draws crowds from around the region because it is fun and family-friendly. Halloween costumes are highly recommended for kids young and old. Boo offers more than trick-or-treats! Check out the haunted hayrides, costume contests, great food, unusually creepy critters and (as always) the zoo animals, who get to enjoy their very own special Halloween pumpkin treats! Boo runs from 8 am-4 pm each day. Purchase tickets in advance and use the Express Lane into Boo at the Zoo. Boo is the Lake Superior Zoological Society's largest fundraiser and all proceeds benefit the Lake Superior Zoo! For more information, visit our website: www.lszoo.org or call (218) 730-4500.

24TH ANNUAL GALES OF NOVEMBER

November 4-5, 2011

Gales of November, open to the public, was started 24 years ago by diver Elmer Engman to give local divers a chance to share recent diving adventures. It has evolved into an event that brings together the entire Lake Superior community to learn about underwater exploration, lighthouses, history, diving technology, shipwrecks and more. The event begins at noon on Friday, November 4 with a joint luncheon shared with the Duluth Propeller Club, a gala at the Lake Superior Maritime Visitor Center Friday evening and a continuation of presentations Saturday, November 5. The event will wrap up with the drawing for its "Cruise of a Lifetime" on a Great Lakes Vessel. Gales of November is a fundraiser for the Lake Superior Marine Museum Association and is cosponsored by *Lake Superior Magazine* and Grandma's Restaurant Company. The association assists the Corps of Engineers Lake Superior Maritime Visitor Center in Duluth's Canal Park, bringing new exhibits and programs to educate young and old about Great Lakes maritime events and history. For more information on attending this event, please call the Lake Superior Marine Museum Association office at (218)727-2497, or log on to www.lsmma.com.

GOBBLE GALLOP

November 24, 2011

Duluth Running Co

1217 E Superior St, 55802

(218) 728-1148

www.gobblegallop.com

clint@duluthrunning.com

Celebrate this Thanksgiving by running, galloping or strolling your way along the brick-laden streets of downtown Duluth in the sixth annual Gobble Gallop. Choose from any one of four races: 5K run, 2-mile walk, 1-mile run or 1/4-mile kids run. For more information, visit: www.gobblegallop.com

GREATER DOWNTOWN COUNCIL MOVIES IN THE PARK

July 15 - September 9, 2011

(218) 727-8549

www.downtownduluth.com

Just grab a blanket and a flashlight and get ready for a memorable evening under the stars. Featured films under the stars in Leif Erikson Park every Friday evening throughout the summer. Movies run the gamut of genres and are shown on a 40' x 20' inflatable screen. It's free and everyone is welcome!

ARTWORKS IN DULUTH

In the spring of 2008, about 300 arts, civic and business leaders participated in a summit to talk about ways to capitalize on the Twin Ports' rich arts and cultural environment. The conference gave birth to eight new initiatives, covering topics from inspiring young artists to promoting creative tourism.

THE A.H. ZEPPA FAMILY FOUNDATION

Established in 2005, the Zeppa Foundation has been a driving force in growing the performance and visual arts in our community. The Foundation supports many of Duluth's existing arts and cultural resources, like the Duluth Playhouse, and is working to develop new ones—notably, an independent movie theater and an all-ages music venue, both located downtown, are already in the works.

DULUTH AIRSHOW

Featuring the Canadian Forces Snowbirds

COMING September 21-22, 2012

Duluth International Airport

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Gates Open @ 9 am each day/Close @ 6 pm each day

Ticket Options: Presidential Chalet Day Ticket, Reserved Seating Day Ticket, Family Day Ticket, Adult Day Ticket, Child Day Ticket, Twilight & Concert Show Ticket, Photo Day Pass, Weekend Pass (prices vary).

The largest Airshow in Minnesota returns to the Duluth International Airport on September 21-22, 2012. The Duluth Airshow will be featuring the Canadian Forces Snowbirds who will perform at the Duluth Airshow for the first time in more than 25 years! Undoubtedly, the most sought after aerial performers in the world, the Canadian Forces Snowbirds fly their 9 CT-114 Tudor Jets only inches apart.

There will also be plenty of entertainment including the Twilight Airshow featuring a national recording artist and some of the Duluth Airshow performers. The National Aeronautical and Space Administration (NASA) will once again host the largest display of NASA artifacts and exhibits in Minnesota including rides, exhibits, fun activities and a collection of space artifacts.

For more information on the Duluth Airshow, log onto www.duluthairshow.com, or call (218) 628-9996.

(All acts are subject to change without notice).