



## DULUTH AIRSHOW

FEATURING THE CANADIAN FORCES SNOWBIRDS

**SEPTEMBER 22-23, 2012**

Duluth International Airport • [www.duluthairshow.com](http://www.duluthairshow.com) • [info@duluthairshow.com](mailto:info@duluthairshow.com)

The largest Airshow in Minnesota returns to the Duluth International Airport on September 22-23, 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. Don't miss the F-22 Raptor, F-15 Strike Eagle, F/A-18 Super Hornet, F-16 Fighting Falcon, and US Army Golden Knights as they round out the best airshow in Minnesota. 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](http://www.duluthairshow.com), or call (218) 628-9996.** (All acts are subject to change without notice).

**Gates open at 9 am each day/Close at 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).

# AIR SHOW





## GRANDMA'S MARATHON

WORLD CLASS EVENT - SMALL TOWN CHARM!

**JUNE 14-16, 2012**

Don't miss Grandma's Marathon weekend - Thursday, June 14 through Saturday, June 16. 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 2012 festivities, Grandma's Marathon hosts the USA Men's and Women's Half Marathon Championships with hundreds of the country's fastest half marathoners competing for national titles.

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  
 (218) 727-0947  
 (218) 727-7932 fax  
[grandmas@grandmasmarathon.com](mailto:grandmas@grandmasmarathon.com)  
[www.grandmasmarathon.com](http://www.grandmasmarathon.com)



## CITY OF DULUTH FOURTHFEST 2012

**JULY 4, 2012**

The Midwest's greatest Fourth of July celebration and fireworks extravaganza! Visit Bayfront Festival Park from 11am-11pm during the Independence Day Celebration featuring music throughout the day, arts and crafts activities, a children's playground and delicious food and beverage concessions. No bottles, cans or coolers, please. Minnesota's largest fireworks display produced by Visit Duluth.



## 24TH ANNUAL BAYFRONT BLUES FESTIVAL

Held August 10, 11, & 12, 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. Family friendly, children 12 and under admitted free. For more information, call (715) 394-6831. [www.bayfrontblues.com](http://www.bayfrontblues.com); [bayfrontbluefest@aol.com](mailto:bayfrontbluefest@aol.com)



*Photo by Wayne Davis*

## AMSOIL® DULUTH NATIONAL SNOCROSS

**NOVEMBER 23-25, 2012**

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-one, 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 nearly 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](http://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 by a bonfire awaits.

## CHRISTMAS CITY OF THE NORTH PARADE

### NOVEMBER 16

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 2012 Christmas City of the North Parade is November 16 and begins at 6:30 pm.



## BENTLEYVILLE AT BAYFRONT FESTIVAL PARK

### NOVEMBER 17 - DECEMBER 26, 2012

[www.bentleyvilleusa.org](http://www.bentleyvilleusa.org)  
[info@bentleyvilleusa.org](mailto:info@bentleyvilleusa.org)

Experience the magic of nearly 3 million lights illuminating Bayfront Festival Park located on the shores of Lake Superior. The largest holiday light show in the Midwest comes to life every evening during the holiday season.

One of the main attractions is the animated 12-story steel Christmas tree with over 30,000 sparkling LED lights and rising to more than twice the height of New York City’s famous Rockefeller Center Christmas Tree. The 120-ft. giant tree fabricated from steel will be shining brightly in the crisp evening sky. Bring the family, camera and smiles. We’ll bring the lights. Admission is free. For more information, please see [bentleyvilleusa.com](http://bentleyvilleusa.com). Take the Train from Fitger’s to Bentleyville. Go to [www.fitgers.com](http://www.fitgers.com) for more details.

## 13TH ANNUAL “WARMER BY THE LAKE”

### DECEMBER 26, 2012

**BENTLEYVILLE TOUR OF LIGHTS**  
 Time: 2-5 pm (Fireworks at 6 pm)

The 13th Annual “Warmer by the Lake” event will take place at Bentleyville Tour of Lights on December 26. 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. Call (218) 730-4300.



## POSITIVE ENERGY OUTDOORS PRESENTS

## THE 2ND ANNUAL GEEHAW JAUNT: THE SKIJORING RACE FOR EVERYONE

### SUNDAY, JANUARY 22, 2012

Boulder Lake Warming Shack  
 (218) 391-0147; (218)-428-5990  
[www.outdooredventures.org](http://www.outdooredventures.org)  
[info@outdooredventures.org](mailto:info@outdooredventures.org)

Join us at Boulder Lake just north of Duluth for the 2nd Annual Geehaw Jaunt: The Skijoring Race for Everyone, starting at 11 am, Sunday, January 22, 2012.

Beginner (3,04k), advanced (5.45k) and pro (7.64k) categories

Classic or skate technique

1 dog per team  
 \$25 entry fee

Proceeds support Positive Energy Outdoors Day Camp Scholarship Fund. Registered entrants receive two professional photos (posed and action shot of you and your dog), and are eligible for a drawing of great prizes. Register online at: [www.outdooredventures.org](http://www.outdooredventures.org)

## DULUTH FESTIVAL OPERA

(218) 728-8949  
[info@dfopera.org](mailto:info@dfopera.org)  
[duluthdoesopera@gmail.com](mailto:duluthdoesopera@gmail.com)  
[www.dfopera.org](http://www.dfopera.org)

Please visit our website at [www.dfopera.org](http://www.dfopera.org) for our 2012 schedule of events or call (218) 728-8949.



## JOHN BEARGREASE SLED DOG MARATHON—29TH RUNNING

### JANUARY 27- FEBRUARY 2, 2012

218 1/2 W Superior St, 55802  
 (218) 722-7631

[www.beargrease.com](http://www.beargrease.com)  
[info@beargrease.com](mailto: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, January 27, 2012, features Dr. Charles Berger, DVM, “Of Wolves and Dogs ... From The Big Bang to Chihuahuas.” Tickets available at [www.beargrease.com](http://www.beargrease.com). Other race events include the Cutest Puppy Contest and Opening Ceremonies on Saturday, January 28 and the Beargrease Race Start on Sunday, January 29. Events are open to the public. Checkpoints—Two Harbors, Beaver Bay, Finland, Tofte for the Mid-Distance Race Finish, Sawbill, Devil Track, the Gunflint Trail’s Trail Center and Billy’s for the Marathon Finish. Facebook: John Beargrease Sled Dog Marathon and check out [www.beargrease.com](http://www.beargrease.com) for 2012 race information.





### GREAT LAKES POND HOCKEY ADULT CLASSIC

**JANUARY 27-29, 2012**

Take an easy 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 (approximately 3/4) than regulation. Games are divided into two 15-minute halves, and no checking is allowed. 3 divisions: Open, Over 40, and Women. For more information, contact Mike McCoshen at (715) 394-6015. [www.sahaice.org](http://www.sahaice.org)

### 3RD ANNUAL NORTHLAND OUTDOORS DULUTH DEER CLASSIC

**FEBRUARY 15-19, 2012**

Duluth Entertainment Convention Center (952) 431-9630 [www.shamrockprod.com](http://www.shamrockprod.com) [info@shamrockprod.com](mailto:info@shamrockprod.com)

The 3rd Annual Northland Outdoors Duluth Deer Classic held February 15-19 at the Duluth Entertainment Convention Center (DECC) in conjunction with the 46th Annual Duluth Boat, Sports, Travel and RV Show will feature an amazing array of weaponry as well as related hunting accessories. The Minnesota Official Measurers will be there to measure antlers and the Minnesota Deer Hunters Association will be on hand also. While there, see an amazing display of Australian wild animals and learn about them at seminars. Your ticket also gains you admittance to the Duluth Boat, Sports, Travel and RV Show with all its displays and live stage show. Don't miss this great "two for the price of one" opportunity.

### 46TH ANNUAL DULUTH BOAT, SPORTS, TRAVEL & RV SHOW

**FEBRUARY 15-19, 2012**

Duluth Entertainment Convention Center (952) 431-9630 • [info@shamrockprod.com](mailto:info@shamrockprod.com) [www.shamrockprod.com](http://www.shamrockprod.com)

The 46th Annual Duluth Boat, Sports, Travel and RV Show happening February 15-19 at the Duluth Entertainment Convention Center (DECC) is the largest show of its kind in the state featuring virtually every name brand of boat and recreational vehicle available, plus a huge selection of tackle and related accessories. In addition, many resorts and fishing destinations from the U.S. and Canada are represented. A live stage show will feature Bob Wooton and Six Mile Grove and there will also be a large display of native Australian wildlife available to view and learn about. Don't miss this premiere winter event.



### ST. LUKES ORTHOPEDIC AND SPORTS MEDICINE HIGH SCHOOL ALL-STAR HOCKEY GAME

**MARCH 13, 2012**

AMSOIL Arena [www.kernz.com](http://www.kernz.com) • [info@kernz.com](mailto:info@kernz.com)

On Tuesday, March 13, 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 14th consecutive year. Make sure to arrive early and catch all the action of the “super skills competition” that takes to the ice at 5:30 pm followed by the game” at 7:15 pm. For more information and rosters, log onto [www.kernz.com](http://www.kernz.com) or by calling (218) 628-9996.

### 46TH ANNUAL ARROWHEAD HOME & BUILDERS SHOW

**APRIL 11-15, 2012**

Duluth Entertainment Convention Center (952) 431-9630 [www.shamrockprod.com](http://www.shamrockprod.com) [info@shamrockprod.com](mailto:info@shamrockprod.com)

The 46th Annual Arrowhead Home & Builders Show happening April 11-15 at the Duluth Entertainment Convention Center (DECC) is the “Spring Event” for the area. Everything you need to design, build, landscape and furnish your home will be represented. In addition, a live stage show featuring “Sleepy Man Banjo Boys” as well as “Mr. Sound Effects” Wes Harrison and singer Becky Schlegel will be presented. Be prepared to be amazed by the “Butterfly House” where you can interact with over 5,000 live butterflies. The 46th Annual Arrowhead Home & Builders Show is sponsored by the Arrowhead Builders Association.

### 14TH ANNUAL HOMEGROWN MUSIC FESTIVAL

**APRIL 29-MAY 6, 2012**

[www.duluthhomegrown.com](http://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 5-6) 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.

### SKYLINE 25K AND ENGER TOWER 10K

**MAY 26, 2012; 8AM**

[www.skyline25km.com](http://www.skyline25km.com)

### BUZZ RYAN SPRINT TRI

**JULY 22, 2012; 9AM**

Island Lake [www.thebuzztri.com](http://www.thebuzztri.com)

1/2 mile swim, 20km bike, 5km run

### 4TH ANNUAL ROOT BEER KIDS TRIATHLON

**AUGUST 4, 2012; 9AM**

AAA Pike Lake Golf Club, 55803 (218) 393-0970 [www.rootbeerkidstri.com](http://www.rootbeerkidstri.com)

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.

### 26TH ANNUAL BREWHOUSE TRIATHLON

**AUGUST 5, 2012; 8:30AM**

AAA Pike Lake Golf Club, 55803 (218) 393-0970 [www.brewhousetriathlon.com](http://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'S HALF TRI

**AUGUST 18, 2012; 8AM**

Island Lake [www.duluthhalf.com](http://www.duluthhalf.com)

1.2 mile swim, 56 mile bike, 13.1 mile run

### BURRITO UNION 5 AND 10 HOUR TRIATHLON

**SEPTEMBER 8, 2012; 7:30AM**

Patterson Park, Superior, WI [www.burritounion10hourtri.com](http://www.burritounion10hourtri.com)

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



## 16TH ANNUAL BATTLE OF THE JUGBANDS

### MEMORIAL WEEKEND SUNDAY MAY 27, 2012

(218) 722-6895  
elliott@elliottbrothers.com  
www.elliottbrothers.com

Held on Sunday, May 27 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, CohoHand Cream for Men, Lucy's Hat Shop and Teds Do What Ya Do Well BAR-B-Q. Open Jug Jam Saturday, May 26 from 7-10 pm.

Both events are held at Amazing Grace Bakery and Café.

## SOUND UNSEEN

### SUMMER 2012

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.



## 12TH ANNUAL LINCOLN PARK WALLEYE OPEN

### JUNE 16, 2012; 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 • info@LPBG.org  
www.lincolnparkfishing.com

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.

## 42ND ANNUAL PARK POINT ART FAIR

### JUNE 23 & 24, 2012

#### 10AM-5PM

Park Point Recreation Area • FREE  
www.parkpointartfair.org

Enjoy a festive local tradition in a welcoming and unique natural environment at the region's premiere outdoor festival of original art and fine craft. The Park Point Art Fair offers free admission and parking for a weekend of exhibits, live music, food and more. With 110+ 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. Talk with artists. See demonstrations. Make children's art. Hear songs and stories. And revel in the fact that the event's non-profit organizers use proceeds to support habitat preservation, public youth programs, civic engagement and other charitable causes.

## 2ND ANNUAL PARTY IN THE PARK WITH HAIRBALL

### JULY 3, 2012

Bayfront Festival Park  
(218) 590-1634  
www.secretserviceconcerts.com  
info@secretserviceconcerts.com

Hairball, the number one 80s Rock-N-Roll Experience Extravaganza, will perform a concert in Duluth at Bayfront Festival Park on Tuesday, July 3. Hairball recreates the good-time party atmosphere of that decadent decade with complete authenticity, including fabulous costumes, makeup, a tour de force sound and light show complete with pyrotechnics, and superbly accurate musical performances that may set off flashbacks! Hairball's stunning recreations include KISS, Guns n Roses, Whitesnake, Bon Jovi, Def Leppard, Motley Crue, Ozzy, AC/DC, Poison and more! Hairball will be joined by several special guests to be announced.

## DULUTH BEER FEST

### JULY 7, 2012

Duluth Heritage Sports Center Parking Lot  
(218) 727-8100  
www.DuluthBeerFest.com  
info@duluthbeerfest.com

Duluth's first official Beer Fest brought to you by local Duluthians because we know how to have fun. Receive a souvenir Beer Mug and receive hundreds of domestic, imported, specialty, craft, seasonal and micro brewed beers. Free entertainment and fun throughout the event. For tickets, go to [www.DuluthBeerFest.com](http://www.DuluthBeerFest.com).

## GREATER DOWNTOWN COUNCIL MOVIES IN THE PARK

### JULY 13 - SEPTEMBER 7, 2012

(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 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!

## DOWNTOWN DULUTH SIDEWALK DAYS FESTIVAL

### JULY 11-13, 2012

(218) 727-8549  
www.downtownduluth.com

Make downtown Duluth your destination for its annual shopping celebration. Hit the bricks for some shopping, mouth-watering food, entertainment and fun for the kids right in the heart of the city.



## SEVENTH ANNUAL BAYFRONT REGGAE/ WORLD MUSIC FESTIVAL

### JULY 14-15, 2012

Bayfront Festival Park  
5th Ave W and Railroad St, 55803  
(218) 834-5037  
www.bayfrontreggae.com  
info@bayfrontreggae.com

Held July 14 and 15, 2012, 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 2012 lineup, tickets, hotel accommodations, directions, and camping information. Full concessions available; no coolers, cans or bottles, please.

## NORTHBOUND SUMMER BREW FEST

**JULY 21, 2012**

Bayfront Festival Park  
[www.mncraftbrew.org](http://www.mncraftbrew.org)

The Minnesota Craft Brewer's Guild is excited and proud to bring the newest of its popular craft beer festivals to Duluth! The first annual Northbound Summer Brew Fest will celebrate beer brewed in Minnesota by breweries and brew pubs in the Minnesota Craft Brewer's Guild, plus a few select regional craft brands. Join us on the lake to meet the brewers and enjoy amazing Minnesota craft beers, hip food vendors, beer-centered activities and educational components, live music and entertainment, and much more!

## FREE RANGE FILM FESTIVAL

**JULY 27-28, 2012**

909 County Rd 4, Wrenshall, MN 55797  
[www.freerangefilm.com](http://www.freerangefilm.com)  
[mike@freerangefilm.com](mailto: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.



## PICKER-PARADISE

**JULY 28-29, 2012**

Bayfront Festival Park  
(218) 727-8100  
[www.Picker-Paradise.com](http://www.Picker-Paradise.com)  
[info@picker-paradise.com](mailto:info@picker-paradise.com)

Picker-Paradise is a Picker's dream featuring antiques, vintage clothing, refurbished arts, salvage, architectural pieces, vintage wares, artisan pieces. Spend the day with us and enjoy some food and cold Pepsi beverages.



## 36TH ANNUAL SPIRIT VALLEY DAYS

**JULY 31-AUGUST 4, 2012**

Held in West Duluth  
[www.spiritvalleydays.com](http://www.spiritvalleydays.com)

A true neighborhood festival with something for everyone! The event starts off with a pancake dinner on Tuesday night. The classic car show and the Miss West Duluth Pageant on Wednesday. The Spirit Valley Days parade on Thursday. Stage shows and kid games run throughout the festival. The not-to-be missed Friday night street dance, and a 5K walk/run on Saturday 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! The festival is located on Grand and Central Avenues, just off of I-35, in West Duluth.

## BAYFRONT JAM

**AUGUST 4, 2012**

Bayfront Festival Park  
[www.bayfrontjam.com](http://www.bayfrontjam.com)

Duluth announces its newest outdoor music festival at Bayfront Festival Park. Based on the success of the Willie Nelson concert in 2011, the producers have started a new annual music festival to be held the first Saturday in August every year. Bayfront Jam will feature the best in national musical artists starting this summer on Saturday, August 4, 2012. Be sure to keep watch at [www.visitduluth.com](http://www.visitduluth.com) for more updates and announcements, or go to [www.bayfrontjam.com](http://www.bayfrontjam.com).



## TWIN PORTS LIGHTHOUSE DAYS

**AUGUST 4-10, 2012**

Lake Superior Maritime Visitor Center  
600 S Lake Ave, 55802  
[www.lsmma.com](http://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.

## GLENSHEEN'S 18TH ANNUAL FESTIVAL OF FINE ART AND CRAFT

**AUGUST 11-12, 2012**

Nearly 100 of the region's most talented artists will gather for Glensheen's 18th Annual Festival of Fine Art and Craft. With free admission, free parking, and a free shuttle bus, Glensheen's Festival of Fine Art and Craft truly is a community event.

The gates open at 9 am on both days and wraps up at 5 pm.

Area musicians will add to the ambiance of the festival, which takes place at Glensheen historic estate, 3300 London Road in Duluth, Minnesota. Visitors can enjoy demonstrations by a blacksmith, a glass blower, a painter and more. Food vendors will make sure that shoppers have plenty of food to fuel their browsing.

House tours will be offered at regular rates during the Festival of Fine Art and Craft from 9:30 am through 4 pm.

## CELEBRATION OF WINES

**AUGUST 18, 2012**

Bayfront Festival Park • (218) 727-8100  
[www.CelebrationofWines.com](http://www.CelebrationofWines.com)  
[contact@artinbayfrontpark.com](mailto:contact@artinbayfrontpark.com)

Wine Enthusiasts and Chocolate Lovers come together to support the arts while participating in unlimited wine and chocolate samplings. Arrive at 2:30 to stroll the arts, at 4:30 wine and chocolate tastings begin while enjoying live entertainment and a silent art and wine auction. Patrons receive a free souvenir wine glass and a Wine 101 class. Tickets available at [www.celebrationofwines.com](http://www.celebrationofwines.com).



## ART IN BAYFRONT PARK ART FAIR

**AUGUST 18-19, 2012**

Bayfront Festival Park • (218) 727-8100  
[www.ArtInBayfrontPark.com](http://www.ArtInBayfrontPark.com)  
[contact@ArtInBayfrontPark.com](mailto:contact@ArtInBayfrontPark.com)

Art in Bayfront Park Art Fair is a free, two-day fine art festival showcasing over 180 gallery quality artists and entertainers from all across the USA. Artists display stunning works in a large variety of mediums such as: glass, clay, fiber, jewelry, sculpture and paintings. There is a grueling jury process for each of the artists to go through to be accepted into Art in Bayfront Park, only the finest artists are asked to participate. Art in Bayfront Park also encourages public participation in the arts by offering the community a taste of art by experiencing beginning art classes. These inspiring classes teach people to become a guiding light toward making our community stronger, more vibrant and more welcoming through art. Other fun events include an interactive kids corner, "picnic in the park with friends," free entertainment and food. Go to [www.artinbayfrontpark.com](http://www.artinbayfrontpark.com) for a sneak peek at the artists attending our art fair.



## 11TH ANNUAL LAKE SUPERIOR DRAGON BOAT FESTIVAL

**AUGUST 24-25, 2012**

Festival information line: (218) 260-9850  
[www.lakesuperiordragons.com](http://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.

## 26TH ANNUAL DULUTH-SUPERIOR PRIDE

**AUGUST 30 - SEPTEMBER 2, 2012**

Bayfront Festival Park  
(866) 865-0652 • [www.dspride.com](http://www.dspride.com)  
[twinportspride@gmail.com](mailto:twinportspride@gmail.com)

Celebrate Pride in the Twin Ports Labor Day Weekend. Join thousands on the shore of Lake Superior as we commemorate our 26th year of Pride at Bayfront Festival Park and throughout the Twin Ports. Activities for everyone: the Mayor's reception, a bonfire, GLBTAQI history exhibit, music, family/kid's area, poetry, Hummingbird 5K 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.



KERNZ & KOMPANY PRESENTS:

## KIA OF DULUTH DRAG RACES & CAR SHOW IN LINCOLN PARK

**SEPTEMBER 8-9, 2012**

Garfield Avenue in Duluth's Lincoln Park  
[www.kernz.com](http://www.kernz.com) • [info@kernz.com](mailto:info@kernz.com)

On Sunday, September 9, one of Duluth's most unique events returns to Garfield Avenue with the nation's only sanctioned "drag races" on a public road. Come and watch as more than 60 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 8 am 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.

Come a day early on September 8 for the free kick-off party featuring great live music! For more information, log onto [www.kernz.com](http://www.kernz.com) or by calling (218) 628-9996.

## HAWK WEEKEND FESTIVAL

**SEPTEMBER 14-16, 2012**

Hawk Ridge Bird Observatory  
PO Box 3006, 55803  
(218) 428-6209 • [www.hawkridge.org](http://www.hawkridge.org)  
[mail@hawkridge.org](mailto:mail@hawkridge.org)

Celebrate the magnificent fall migration September 14-16, 2012 during our annual Hawk Weekend Festival. View the magnificent migration at Hawk Ridge Nature Reserve, see live bird demos, attend birding field trips & workshops, and join us in the evenings for great food, auction, music and special guest speakers.

## 17TH ANNUAL NORTHSHORE INLINE MARATHON

**SEPTEMBER 15, 2012**

PO Box 22, 55801 • (218) 723-1503  
[www.northshoreinline.com](http://www.northshoreinline.com)  
[nsinline@northshoreinline.com](mailto: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](http://northshoreinline.com), or call (218) 723-1503.

## OKTOBERFEST DULUTH

**SEPTEMBER 21-22, 2012**

Bayfront Festival Park  
[www.oktoberfestduluth.com](http://www.oktoberfestduluth.com)  
Free admission

The event begins on Friday at 4 pm and ends on Saturday at 11 pm. Get your oompah on at Oktoberfest Duluth! Polka bands, German food and costumes, beer games, keg toss, horse-drawn wagon rides, kids activities, and Oktoberfest beer styles from Fitger's Brewhouse and other Minnesota breweries!

## HAUNTED SHIP

**OCTOBER 2012**

(218) 722-7876  
[www.duluthhauntedship.com](http://www.duluthhauntedship.com)  
Email us! [hauntedship@decc.org](mailto:hauntedship@decc.org)

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.



## MINNESOTA BALLET

301 W First St, Suite 800, 55802  
(218) 529-3742  
[www.minnesotaballet.org](http://www.minnesotaballet.org)  
[office@minnesotaballet.org](mailto:office@minnesotaballet.org)

The only professional ballet in Northeastern Minnesota, the Minnesota Ballet is under the direction of Artistic Director Robert Gardner, former dancer with the Cleveland San Jose Ballet. The Minnesota Ballet performs its classical and contemporary repertoire at the DECC Symphony Hall. This year the sparkling comic ballet "Coppélia" March 16-18; a Fall Performance in October (dates to be announced), and "The Nutcracker" December 7-9, "a dazzling new take on the holiday favorite." The Ballet's sixth annual Celebrity Dance Challenge pairs its professional dancers with area notables in a roof-raising fundraiser February 9 at Fregeau Auditorium, Marshall School.

## BOO AT THE ZOO

**OCTOBER 13 & 20, 2012**

[www.lszoo.org](http://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 10am-4pm 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](http://www.lszoo.org) or call (218) 730-4500.



## 25TH ANNUAL GALES OF NOVEMBER

**NOVEMBER 2-3, 2012**

Gales of November, open to the public, was started 25 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 2 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 3. 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. 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](http://www.lsmma.com).



## GOBBLE GALLOP

**NOVEMBER 22, 2012**

Duluth Running Co  
1217 E Superior St, 55802  
(218) 728-1148  
[www.gobblegallop.com](http://www.gobblegallop.com)  
[clint@duluthrunning.com](mailto:clint@duluthrunning.com)

Celebrate this Thanksgiving by running, galloping or strolling your way along the brick-laden streets of downtown Duluth in the seventh 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](http://www.gobblegallop.com).

## GOLDEN GLOVES BOXING AT THE GARDEN

Thursday Night Fights have become a favorite night out for many people in the Twin Ports.

The Golden Gloves at the Garden shows are hosted by Jungle Boy Boxing Gym and Grandma's Sports Garden. The shows feature up and coming boxers looking to earn their name in the ring. Witness Duluth's finest amateur athletes competing for boxing supremacy against the best fighters from gyms all over the Midwest.

The atmosphere at Grandma's Sports Garden is electric and unlike any other venue for boxing with dining and a full bar available. The events are not just tough guys punching it out. They are quality fight entertainment shows. Golden Gloves at the Garden also features some great local talent between the fights so the excitement is nonstop. All the fights are matched to bring out the best in each boxer. You're guaranteed to see a ring war in every bout.

Don't miss this opportunity to be a part of the local boxing scene. It's an unforgettable experience you will not forget.

The doors open at 5 pm with a dinner buffet and the first fight starts at 7 pm.



## DULUTH SUPERIOR SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

331 W Superior St, 55802  
(218) 623-DSSO (3776)  
[www.dsso.com](http://www.dsso.com)  
[tickets@dsso.com](mailto:tickets@dsso.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.dsso.com](http://www.dsso.com).



## BROADWAY IN DULUTH

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](http://www.decc.org).

### 2012 SHOWS:

**Spamalat**  
January 10, 2012 • 7:30PM  
DECC Symphony Hall

**Riverdance**  
February 29, 2012 • 7:30PM  
DECC Symphony Hall

Shows are performed at the DECC Symphony Hall.

## LAKE SUPERIOR CHAMBER ORCHESTRA

PO Box 434, 55801  
[www.lakesuperiorchamberorchestra.org](http://www.lakesuperiorchamberorchestra.org)  
(218) 525-4076

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 2012 performance schedule, visit our website:

[www.lakesuperiorchamberorchestra.org](http://www.lakesuperiorchamberorchestra.org)