

Visting the Twin Cities

A Guide for the RHESSI Workshop



I. Enjoying the Outdoors

The Twin Cities boast an active, outdoor community. Parks and trails for hiking, bike rentals for driving the numerous bike paths, and lakes, rivers, and streams for all your water needs.

- **The Walker Sculpture Garden**

- Located by the Walker Art Center, this free venue features several artistic sculptures and displays.



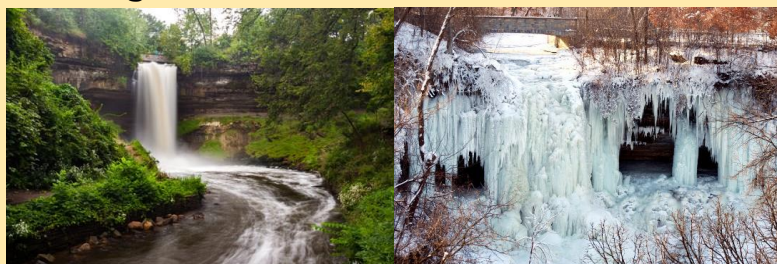
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- **Minneapolis Lakes**

- 13 lakes call Minneapolis home. The largest and most notable ones include Bde Maka Ska, Lake Harriet, Lake Nokomis, Cedar Lake, Lake of the Isles, and Lake Hiawatha.



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- **Minnehaha Falls**

- These beautiful falls, located in the Minnehaha Regional Park, can be found right in the heart of the Twin Cities.



- **Stone Arch Bridge**

- The Stone Arch Bridge is just one of many sites running along the Mississippi River. This particular location sports a beautiful historic bridge connecting Downtown Minneapolis with the scenic St. Anthony Main. At the latter location one can find cafes, bars, a movie theater, and a couple forested trails.



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- **II. Arts and Culture**

The Twin Cities are a major metropolitan area meaning an abundance of museums, theaters, and concert venues. The Cities feature all, from local oddities to the nationally recognized.

- **Minneapolis Institute of Art**

- This free museum displays a vast range of art and antiquities from throughout the world and time.



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- **Walker Art Center**

- The Walker Art Center, adjacent to the sculpture garden, features an array of modern and experimental art.



- **Science Museum of Minnesota**

- An interactive science museum in downtown St. Paul that covers topics on physics, the human body, sports, pseudoscience, dinosaurs, the Minnesotan ecosystem, and more.



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- **Weisman Art Museum**

- A free UMN-operated museum offering rotating exhibits covering a wide range of topics.



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- **Bell Museum of Natural History**

- A UMN-operated natural history museum featuring a planetarium and exhibits about evolution, space, and North American biodiversity



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- **Musical Performances**

- Several venues will be hosting concert performances during your visit. Some notable ones include:

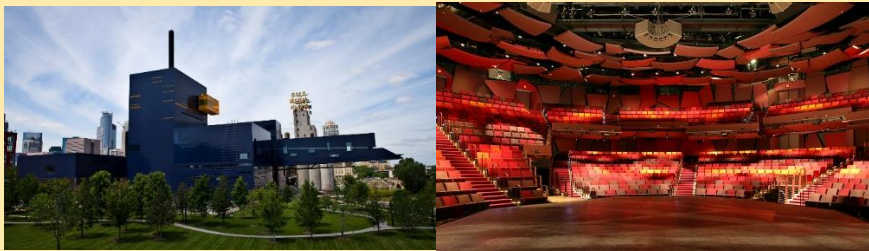
- **The First Avenue**
- **Skyway Theatre**
- **The Armory**
- **Xcel Energy Center**

- Many small musical venues can also be found in the area that host smaller, more local artists. A short list of these are:

- **331 Club**
- **Aster Café**
- **Varsity Theater**
- **Uptown Theater**
- **Turf Club**

- **The Guthrie Theater**

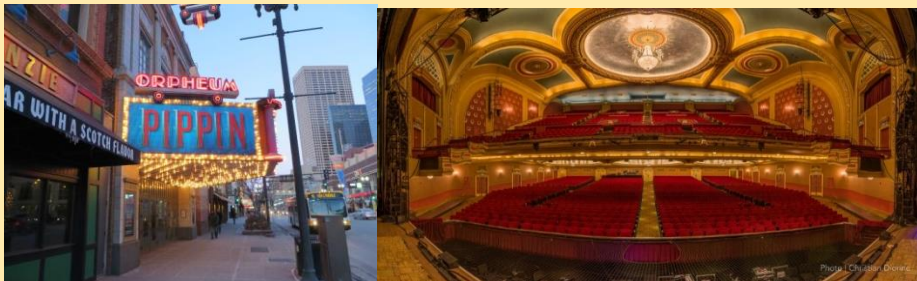
- This downtown Minneapolis theater features a unique architectural flare and prime location on the Minneapolis riverfront.



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- **The Orpheum**

- Located along the venue-dense Hennepin Avenue in downtown Minneapolis, the Orpheum is no stranger to the major Broadway productions.



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- **The Pantages**

- Located in the same area as the Orpheum, the Pantages is a historical theater that reopened in 2002 and is now operated by the Historical Theatre Group.



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- **The Ordway**

- This theater is the star of downtown St. Paul, hosting concert, symphony, and theatrical productions.



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- If major theaters aren't your cup of tea, the Twin Cities are home numerous small-scale venues such as:

- **The Southern Theater**



- **Theatre in the Round**

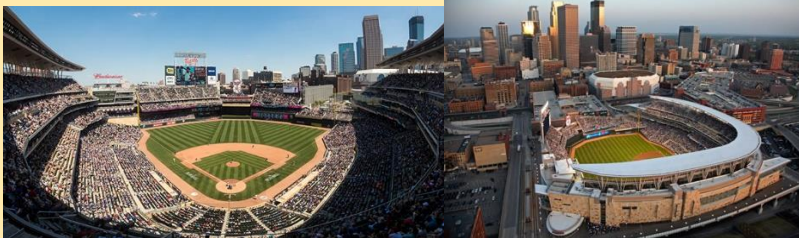


- **The Uptown Theater**

- **And more!**

III. Minnesota Twins

Unfortunately, the Minnesota United FC is away during the RHESSI workshop. However, the Minnesota Twins will be playing the Milwaukee Brewers May 27 and 28, at 6:10 and 7:10 CDT respectively.



IV. Other

- **The Mall of America**

- Known as the largest mall in America, every shop imaginable can be found here, all surrounding an indoor theme park, Nickelodeon Universe.



- **Como Park Zoo & Conservatory**

- This entirely free zoo is located just east of the St. Paul UMN campus.



- **Minnesota Zoo**

- This larger zoo is in the southern suburb of Apple Valley. Known for being one of the first to organize animals by habitat and not species similarity, this rather unique zoo is its own state agency.



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- A couple other fun locations are:
 - **The Underground Comedy Club at Corner Bar**
 - **Fantasy Flight Games**

V. Bars, Breweries, and Beyond

- Breweries
 - Close to Campus
 - **Surly Brewing**



- **Town Hall Brewery**



- The Northeast Breweries, Cideries, and Distilleries
 - **Fair State Brewing Cooperative**
 - **Bauhaus Brew Lab**
 - **Indeed Brewing Company and Taproom**
 - **Able Seedhouse and Brewery**
 - **Headflyer Brewing**
 - **Dangerous Man Brewing Company**
 - **Sociable Ciderwerks**
 - **Tattersall Distillery**
 - **Norseman Distillery**
- Downtown Breweries
 - **Fulton Brewing Taproom**
 - **Modist Brewing Co**
 - **Inbound BrewCo**
 - **The Freehouse**
 - **Day Block**
 - **Finnegan's**
 - **Rock Bottom**
- Some notable bars
 - **Stub & Herb's** (college haunt, near east bank campus)
 - **Republic** (gastropub near west bank campus)
 - **Corner Bar** (sports bar near west bank)
 - **The Local** (large Irish bar downtown)
 - **Mac's Industrial Sports Bar & Grill** (quiet place in NE MPLS)
 - **New Bohemia NE** (beerhouse serving Polish sausages)
 - **UpDown** (Video game bar in Uptown MPLS)
 - **Cocktail Bars**
 - Parlour
 - Marvel
 - Alma Café
 - Joni's Back Bar
- Several breweries, distilleries, cideries, and wineries are located throughout the Twin Cities.
 - See a list of all Minneapolis breweries [here](#).
 - See a list of all St. Paul breweries [here](#).

VI. Bites Near Campus

- Please refer to the RHESSI Workshop for restaurant locations near campus