

WHAT TO SEE IN MINNEAPOLIS



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Minneapolis is a friendly city with active theater, arts, dining, and brewing cultures. As you plan your AEJMC calendar, schedule time to experience Minnesota Nice for yourself. This list highlights spots popular with locals and tourists alike.

The Basilica of St. Mary

Roman Catholic church with impressive Baroque-style architecture. The 90-person Basilica Cathedral Choir performs at 9:30 a.m. Sunday mass.

88 N 17th St, Minneapolis, MN 55403

(612) 333-1381

<http://www.mary.org/>

Dinkytown

Nightlife, greasy spoons, and bookstores draw visitors to this University of Minnesota commercial district. Explore East Campus and the Weisman Art Museum while you're in the area.

University Ave. and 15th Ave. SE, Minneapolis

<http://dinkytownusa.org/>

Eat Street

Diverse walking community highlighting some of the most beloved restaurants in town. The best spots for pho, ramen, roti, and jerk chicken. Gourmet donut shop is icing on the cake.

Nicollet Ave. and W 26th St., Minneapolis

First Avenue and 7th Street Entry

Legendary music venue made famous by Prince's *Purple Rain*.

701 First Ave. N Minneapolis, MN 55403

(612) 332-1775

<http://first-avenue.com/>

Lake Calhoun

The local spot for morning runs and evening walks. Two sand beaches. Kayak and paddleboard rentals available. Stop by the Tin Fish after a dip for beer and whitefish.

2710 W Lake St, Minneapolis, MN 55408

(612) 230-6400

Mill City Museum

Minneapolis history presented in an old flour mill. Beautiful views of the Mississippi river. Good for kids and adults alike.

704 S 2nd St, Minneapolis, MN 55401

(612) 341-7582

<http://www.millcitymuseum.org/>

The Minneapolis Institutes of Art

Multi-floor museum and gallery space with exhibits ranging from ancient Asian artifacts to Monet and Matisse.

2400 3rd Ave S, Minneapolis, MN 55404

(612) 870-3000

<http://new.artsmia.org/>

Minnehaha Park

Well-kept hiking trails lead to the state's most visited waterfall. Historical sites include a Victorian train depot and the first house built west of the Mississippi River.

S Minnehaha Dr. and Godfrey Pkwy., Minneapolis

Northeast Brewery District

Breweries and distilleries dot this industrial area turned arts district. Walk easily between 612 Brew, Bauhaus Brew Labs, Indeed Taphouse, Sociable Cider Works, and Tattersall Distilling.

Central Ave. and Broadway, Minneapolis

Northeast Riverfront and St. Anthony Main

Friendly neighborhood with restaurants, polish delis, towny bars, and an original cobblestone street. Ogle downtown from the Mississippi River.

Hennepin Ave. and Main St. NE

<http://www.northeastminneapolis.com/>

Prohibition Bar

Speakeasy on the top floor of the W Hotel. Great views of the Minneapolis skyline and surrounding suburbs. Hip crowd, stiff cocktails.

821 S Marquette Ave, Minneapolis, MN 55402

(612) 215-3700

<http://www.wminneapolis.com/prohibition-bar>

Seven Corners

Funky area popular with University of Minnesota and Augsburg College students. Coffee shops and unpretentious bars. Home to the largest Somali community outside of Mogadishu.

Cedar Ave. and Riverside Ave., Minneapolis

Stone Arch Bridge

An iconic Minneapolis landmark that spans the Mississippi and overlooks St. Anthony Falls. Maybe the best photo-op in the city.

100 Portland Ave, Minneapolis, MN 55401

Uptown Minneapolis

Busy neighborhood known for nightlife, restaurants, and historical theaters. Just steps to the urban lakes: Calhoun, Isles, and Harriet. An easy ride on the 6 bus south on Hennepin.

Hennepin Ave. and Lake St., Minneapolis

<http://uptownassociation.com/>

The Walker Art Center

Hub for modern art and experimental cinema. Adjacent to the famed Minneapolis Sculpture Garden and cherry spoon. (The sculpture grounds are currently under renovation).

1750 Hennepin Ave, Minneapolis, MN 55403

(612) 375-7600

<http://www.walkerart.org/>

LGBTQ SPACES

*You'll be hard-pressed to find a part of Minneapolis that is **not** queer friendly. But our vibrant LGBTQ community congregates at these bars and coffee shops.*

The 19

A tried and true dive bar with a nice back porch. The nearest LGBTQ space to the conference hotel. Cash only.

19 W 15th St, Minneapolis, MN 55403

(612) 871-5553

EagleBOLTbar

Neighborhood bar meets gay bar. Referred to by locals as The Eagle. Jukebox, pool table, karaoke -- this place has it all.

515 S Washington Ave, Minneapolis, MN 55415

(612) 338-4214

<http://www.eagleboltbar.com>

The Gay 90s

Multi-level dance club with different themed bars, including a neon gogo room and a Victorian parlour. Drag shows and/or burlesque on the weekends.

408 Hennepin Ave, Minneapolis, MN 55401

(612) 333-7755

<http://gay90s.com/>

LUSH Minneapolis

LGBTQ lounge with a noteworthy brunch. Friday nights feature CRUSH, a lesbian and queer women's dance night, with DJ Shannon Blowtorch and Black Hearts Burlesque gogo dancers.

990 Central Ave NE, Minneapolis, MN 55413

(612) 208-0358

<http://www.lushmpls.com/>

Muffin Top Cafe

This Loring Park community coffee shop is a favorite among queer folks. All baked goods are made in-house.

1424 Nicollet Ave S, Minneapolis, MN 55403

(612) 315-5946

<http://www.muffintopcafe.com/>

The Saloon

Unassuming pub by day, raucous gay club by night. Surprisingly tasty bar snacks.

830 Hennepin Ave, Minneapolis, MN 55403

(612) 332-0835

<http://saloonpride.com/>

Twin Cities Leather and Latte

Coffee shop and leather boutique catering to the queer community. Booze-free venue for friendly conversations and people watching.

2717 Hennepin Ave, Minneapolis, MN 55408

(612) 756-9825

USEFUL LINKS

These websites will help you plan your time about town.

CityPages Calendar

Local alt-weekly provides list of daily events.

<http://www.citypages.com/calendar>

Meet Minneapolis

Website for Minneapolis visitor information.

<http://www.minneapolis.org/>

Minneapolis Metro Transit

The trip planning tool will help you get from Place A to Place B.

<https://www.metrotransit.org/>

Nice Ride Minnesota

Rent two-wheeled transportation through the city bike share.

<https://www.niceridemn.org/>