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craft, music, community





3 days of craft | 3 nights of music

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Welcome!

Welcome to Unplugged XIV, North House Folk School's signature fall event "under the big top." The event's aspirations are simple: Celebrate the Mission, Sustain the Dream. Whether you have been with us every year or this is your first visit to campus, we hope the event inspires your heart, sparks your curiosity and opens the door to the North.

Over the past decade-plus, Unplugged has touched and inspired thousands of people. To the many people and partners who help make Unplugged a reality we offer our sincere thanks!

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Get the Pass!

Easy to get, simple to use at all three

major events for the year (Wooden Boat Show in June, Unplugged in September, and Winterer's Gathering in November). Sign up for a member event pass AND automatically become a North House member!

Cost: Individual Pass: \$25, Family Pass: \$50. Watch for the event pass icon throughout the program for your benefits at Unplugged!



For the fifth and final year Mountain Stage Radio show will be featured at Unplugged, recording radio shows Thursday and Friday nights to be broadcast worldwide later in the year. Don't miss your chance to see (and hear) it happen live!

Three Nights of Music

Concert Lineups, Opening Acts, Music Jams & Craft Beer!

Concert Lineup

Thursday, Sept 17 at 7 pm w/Mountain Stage Radio

- Martha Scanlan
- Charlie Parr
- Tift Merritt
- Haley Bonar
- Pieta Brown

Friday, Sept 18 at 7 pm w/Mountain Stage Radio

- Ron Sexsmith
- Serena Ryder
- John Mark Nelson
- Mandolin Orange
- Jimmy LaFave

Saturday, Sept 19 at 7 pm Unplugged Feat. Performance

- Alice Peacock
- Jon Vezner
- Don Henry
- Tom Paxton

Opening Acts

It's never too early to make music. Come down to campus before the concert each night to enjoy local music before the big shows.

- Thursday 6 pm: Plucked Up String Band
- Friday 6 pm: Eric Frost & Bill Hansen
- Saturday 6 pm: Lake Effect

Jam Sessions

Sat, Sept 19

- 9-11am / Traditional Music and Dance Workshop for Families (No registration required–just show up at 9! Ages 5+)
- 9 am Noon / Songwriters Circle with Boyd "Bump" Blomberg
- Noon-2 pm / Traditional Music Jam: Old-Time & Folk Traditions with Terrence Smith

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Craft & Public Programs at Unplugged

Folk Artisan Marketplace

Thurs 4-7 pm, Fri & Sat / 10 am-7 pm

Traditional northern craft is the soul of North House. Meet the hands at work behind beautiful and useful items for sale at the Folk Artisan Assembly & Market. Each day, our artisan-instructors will gather to demonstrate their craft and share in the community and camaraderie that follow whenever creative people gather. Items will be available for purchase.

Featured Artisans

- Liz Bucheit, Jewelry
- Emily Derke, basketry
- Eric Edgin, woodworking
- Beth Homa, birch bark weaving
- Candace LaCosse, leatherwork
- Paul Linden, woodworking
- Mary Reichert, felting continued at right





Woodworking instructor Jarrod Stone-Dahl and felting instructor Mary Reichert will be on hand in the Folk Artisan Marketplace sharing their crafts.

- Jim Sannerud, wood turning
- Mary Schliep, rosemaling
- Michael Seiler, jewelry
- Jarrod StoneDahl, woodworking



Get a tiny taste of craft (and what North House does year round) in these 2-hour mini courses!

Thursday

Beer Tasting w/ Fulton
 & Voyageur Breweries

Friday

- Introduction to Saami Bracelets
- Birch Bark Birds
- Rock Out: Intro to Stone Cutting
- Timber Raising
- Mending with Wool

Saturday

- Wood-Fired Bread Baking
- Flat Felting Intro
- Kids Carve

Music Coursework

Join Unplugged performers as they share their crafts!

Thursday

- Songwriting Workshop with Jon Vezner & Don Henry

Saturday

- Songwriting Workshop with Alice Peacock

North House Campus Tour

with Director, Greg Wright Friday & Saturday at 2 pm

Hear the stories and visit the classrooms. Free and no registration required. Meet by the wood-fired oven. Bring your curiosity!



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9/17 thurs	Sept 11-20 / Points North Online Auction open at www.northhouse.org			Sept 14-16 / Felted Bags†	
am	9 am-sunset / Schooner Hjørdis			Sept 15-16 / Lathe Turning: The Wooden Bowl [†]	
	2-hour sails †			Sept 17 / Natural Dyes in the Steambox [†]	
9/17 thurs pm	4-7 pm / Folk Artisan Marketplace open	4-6 pm / Mini Course: - Beer Tasting w/ Fulton &	6 pm / Opening Act: Plucked Up String Band & tent seating opens for Mountain Stage ††	Sept 17 / Skimming the Surface: The Basics of Milk Paint [†]	
		Voyageur Breweries†	6-8 pm / Fulton & Voyageur Brewing beer on tap	Sept 17-18 / Unplugged Songwriting Workshop with Jon Vezner & Don Henry†	
			7 pm / Mountain Stage Radio †† with Martha Scanlan, Tift Merritt, Charlie Parr, Haley Bonar, Pieta Brown		
9/18 fri am	10 am - 7 pm / Folk Artisan Marketplace open	9 am / Mini Course: - Intro to Saami Bracelets†		Sept 18 / Bead Embroidery:The Pin Series†	
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		Cutting [†]	6-8 pm / Fulton & Voyageur Brewing beer on tap	See mini course	
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9/19 sat pm			7 pm / Unplugged Songwriters Featured Performance †† with Alice Peacock, Tom Paxton, Jon Vezner, Don Henry	† registration required: call or visit us on the web †† tickets on sale now at www.northhouse.org	

POINTS NORTH AUCTION

All dollars raised support North House Folk School

Getting the itch to plan your next North Shore adventure? Find inspiration and support a great cause during the 4th annual Points North Online Auction at www. northhouse.org (or use the QR code below). All dollars raised support North House Folk School. Thanks to area businesses for their donations and support!



Online Auction

From a personal getaway in a cozy cabin to a shopping quest for the perfect North Shore fudge, Points North offers something for everyone with over 100 Cook County classic items up for bid! Sneak peek begins Sept 3 and bidding begins Friday, Sept 11. Funds raised support the educational mission of North House Folk School, so bid high and bid often. Online auction closes Sunday, Sept 20 at 8 pm. Select items will be on display at Unplugged, but all bidding takes place online.

Backstage Bash Live Auction

Don't miss out on the best of the auction during our Live Auction at the Backstage Bash on Saturday, Sept 19 at 5pm. During this fundraising reception mix and mingle with Jon Vezner and Saturday night musicians, while enjoying heavy apps by New Scenic Café's Chef/owner Scott Graden

and Minnesota Fulton and Voyageur beers. Items will be online for first bid, but closing will take place LIVE at the Backstage Bash. Jon Vezner promises a super secret auction item that you will NOT want to miss! Tickets to this special reception are \$85 with limited availability.

The Story of Unplugged

Fourteen Years, Fourteen Concerts, Over \$100k Raised

Thirteen years ago Grammy-award winning songwriter Jon Vezner stumbled into a then quiet, but nevertheless inspiring North House Folk School campus. The school's commitment to lifelong learning and teaching of traditional northern crafts struck a chord with Jon.

Jon wanted to celebrate the mission and help sustain the dream, and when he returned to Nashville he enlisted a few well-known friends including Michael McDonald (formerly of the Doobie Brothers), Bernie Leadon (formerly of the Eagles), and Kathy Mattea (famed country folk singer) to host a benefit concert. He also invited Minnesota's own performing artist Michael Monroe, whose music was inspirational to Jon during college.

These five artists' generous efforts truly opened the door to the future, helping North House establish a fledgling endowment fund.

To celebrate the event's tenth anniversary "Unplugged Alumni

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In the earlier days of Unplugged a traditional North Shore Fish Boil filled many happy stomachs on Friday during the event. A huge fireball and plates full of tasty fish and veggies were highlights.

Performers" graced the stage along with a new addition: NPR's Mountain Stage Radio Show. Mountain Stage recorded two shows that were broadcast worldwide during 2011-12 helping to further spread the North House story. Now for the fifth and final year Mountain Stage returns to Grand Marais.

Our thanks go out to Jon Vezner, to the many performers who have graced the Unplugged stage. Your gift of music has ignited our hearts!

Year-Round Programs





We hope one thing is abundantly clear: Unplugged is only one chapter in the story of North House. Hosting special events that gather and celebrate community is just one of our passions. Campus is busy year round with students building timber frames, handspinning fibers, baking delicious wood-fired breads, and swinging the blacksmith's hammer—the list goes on!

During the typical year we:

- Offer over 400 courses
- Feature the craft of 120+ regional artisan instructors
- Welcome students from 35+ states and several foreign countries





Inside (the Back Cover)

Here's a little peek at the inside Unplugged story: The Tuesday before Unpplugged the massive tent arrives on campus in a couple of big trucks. A crew spends the next two days assembling the skeleton and stretching the tent covering over the frame.

A team of volunteers then spend an entire afternoon decorating the tent inside and out with flowers, hay bales, twinkle lights and other fall-oriented decor in preparation for the bid shows.

All that hard work is why we call our events volunteer-hosted. In years past we calculated that over 500 volunteer hours are spent helping to make Unplugged a success!

Volunteers are an important piece of the puzzle, but regardless of how you take part, we'd love to have you join the North House family! Two simple ways:

1. Staying Connected

The best way to stay in touch and up to date on volunteer opportunities, new courses and much more is signing up for the North House e-newsletter on our website.

2. Get The Print

A copy of North House's course catalog is an adventure waiting to happen. On your coffee table or in your favorite reading corner it beckons and calls. The catalog is printed twice each year, and getting a copy of your own is free and easy: call us at 218-387-9762.

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