

UNPLUGGED

craft, music, community



WITH MOUNTAIN STAGE RADIO SHOW
SEPTEMBER 11-13



3 days of craft | 3 nights of music

North House Folk School | www.northhouse.org



Welcome!

Welcome to Unplugged XIII, 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!



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 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!

The Story of Unplugged

Thirteen Years, Thirteen 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

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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.

anniversary "Unplugged Alumni 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 fourth year in a row 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!



The classic Unplugged concert on Saturday night employs an informal "songwriter in the round" format in which performers take turns sharing stories and music on stage.

Three Nights of Music

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

Concert Lineup

Thursday, Sept 11 at 7 pm
w/Mountain Stage Radio
and Fulton beer on tap

David Wax Museum, Dan
Wilson, Chris Smither, Tony
Trischka's Great Big World, The
Don Juans

Friday, Sept 12 at 7 pm
w/Mountain Stage Radio
and Fulton beer on tap

David Lindley, Pert Near Sand-
stone, Carrie Newcomer, Judith
Owen, Bill Miller

Saturday, Sept 13 at 7:30 pm
Unplugged Featured
Performance and Fulton
Beer on tap

Don Henry, Bill Miller,
Jon Vezner, Jeff Gilkinson, Ellis

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: The Spruce Roots
- Friday 6 pm: LaVigne, Hand,
Mills & Viton
- Saturday 6 pm: Briand Morrison

Jam Session & Community Dance

Sat, Sept 13

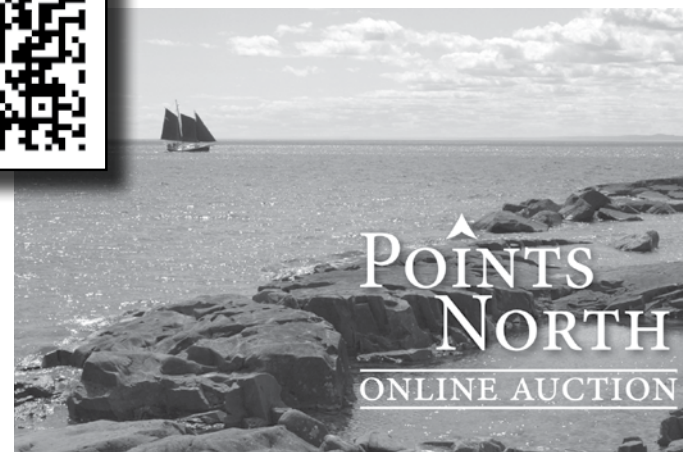
- 9 am - Noon / Songwriters Circle
with Boyd "Bump" Blomberg
- Noon -2 pm / Big Top Tent
Community Square Dance
with Pert Near Sandstone
(\$10/adult \$5/kid at the door/free
to event passholders/
NH members)



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While we love Unplugged, we are
pleased and proud to report there
are many other great things to
enjoy here in this spectacular place
we call home—Cook County, MN.
Many of them are available to you
as part of the Points North Auc-
tion. Thanks to area businesses for
their donations and support! Find
out how to take part at right.



Bid Online

Take part in the Points North on-
line Auction at www.northhouse.org
(or use the QR code below).
Over 120 North Shore items are on
the auction block. Featuring locally
made fudge to enticing lodging
packages, bid now and plan your
North Shore adventure! Online
auction closes Sunday, Sept 14 at
10 pm, with extended bidding for
hot items.

Bid at the Marketplace

The Points North silent auction
starts Thursday at 4 pm in the Red
Building. The silent auction in-
cludes over two dozen items from
a vintage arrowhead region illus-
trated framed map to raku pottery
by Kristi Downing to a handmade
fall-themed quilt made by Jon
Vezner's aunt Jean. Silent auction
ends Saturday evening prior to the
concert.

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	program	mini course	music	coursework
9/11 thurs am	<p>Aug 30 - Sept 16 / Points North Online Auction open at www.northhouse.org</p> <p>9 am-sunset / Schooner Hjørdis 2-hour sails †</p>			<p>Sept 10-11 / Lathe Turning: The Wooden Bowl†</p> <p>Sept 11 / Natural Dyes in the Steambox†</p> <p>Sept 11 / Guitar & Songwriting Workshop with Chris Smither†</p>
9/11 thurs pm	<p>4 pm / Folk Artisan Marketplace open</p>	<p>4 pm / Mini Course: - Beer Tasting w/ Fulton Brewery†</p>	<p>6 pm / Opening Act: The Spruce Roots & Tent seating opens for Mountain Stage ††</p> <p>6-8 pm / Beer on tap from Fulton Brewing</p> <p>7 pm / Mountain Stage Radio †† with David Wax Museum, Dan Wilson, Chris Smither, Tony Trischka's Great Big World, and The Don Juans</p>	<p>Sept 11 / Unplugged Songwriting with Jon Vezner & Don Henry†</p>
9/12 fri am	<p>9 am - 7 pm / Folk Artisan Marketplace open</p> <p>9 am-sunset / Schooner Hjørdis 2-hour sails †</p>	<p>9 am / Mini Course: - Intro to Saami Bracelets†</p>		<p>Sept 12 / History to Handcraft: Highlight on Fiber Arts†</p> <p>Sept 12 / Hanging Birch Bark Baskets†</p> <p>Sept 12 / Woolly Critters: Intro to Felting†</p>
9/12 fri pm		<p>1 pm / Mini Course: - Mini Moccasin Sewing</p>	<p>6 pm / Opening Act: LaVigne, Hand, Mills & Viton & Tent seating opens for Mountain Stage ††</p> <p>6-8 pm / Beer on tap from Fulton Brewing</p> <p>7 pm / Mountain Stage Radio †† with David Lindley, Pert Near Sandstone, Carrie Newcomer, Judith Owen, Bill Miller</p>	<p>Sept 12 / Fingerstyle Guitar Workshop with Pat Donohue†</p> <p>See mini course opportunities at left Friday and Saturday</p>
9/13 sat am	<p>9 am - 7 pm / Folk Artisan Marketplace open</p> <p>9 am-sunset / Schooner Hjørdis 1-hour sails †</p>	<p>9 am / Mini Courses: - Wood-Fired Artisan Baking† - Traditional American Dance: Clogging† - Birch Bark Weaving: Birds & Beyond†</p>	<p>9-Noon / Songwriters Circle with Boyd Blomberg</p> <p>Noon-2 pm / Big Top Tent Community Square Dance with Pert Near Sandstone</p>	<p>Sept 13 / Fretboard Clarity: A Logical Approach to Harmony and Melody for Guitar†</p> <p>Sept 13 / Exploring the Sonics of the Electric Guitar†</p>
9/13 sat pm	<p>2 pm / Tour the North House campus</p> <p>2:30 pm Featured Speaker / Fulton Brewery</p> <p>6 pm / Reception & Live Auction</p>	<p>4 pm / Mini Course: - Creating the Perfect Match: Canapés & Beer Tasting†</p>	<p>6 pm / Opening Act: Briand Morrison & Tent seating opens for Unplugged Concert ††</p> <p>6-8 pm / Beer on tap from Fulton Brewing</p> <p>7:30 pm / Unplugged Songwriters Featured Performance †† with Pat Donohue, Don Henry, Jeff Gilkinson, Bill Miller, Jon Vezner, Ellis</p>	<p>† registration required: call or visit us on the web †† tickets on sale now at www.northhouse.org</p>

Craft & Public Programs at Unplugged

Folk Artisan Marketplace

Thurs 4-7 pm,
Fri & Sat / 9 am – 7 pm

Traditional northern craft is the soul of North House. Meet the hands at work behind extraordinarily 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 seem to follow whenever creative people gather. Items will be available for purchase.

Featured Artisans

Liz Bucheit: Saami-Inspired Jewelry
Kim Garrett: Rosemaling
Beth Homa-Style: Birch Bark Weaving
Marcie McIntyre: Anishinaabe Beadwork & Moccasin Sewing
Jim Sannerud: Greenwood Turning
Mary Schliep: Rosemaling
Michel Seiler: Silversmithing



Rosemaling instructor Kim Garrett and woodturning instructor Jim Sannerud will be on hand in the Folk Artisan Marketplace sharing their crafts.

North House Campus Tour

with Director, Greg Wright
on 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!



Mini Courses

Sign up required, fees vary; \$5 discount to event passholders/NH members

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

Thursday

- Beer Tasting w/ Fulton Brewery

Friday

- Introduction to Saami Bracelets
- Mini Moccasin Sewing

Saturday

- Traditional American Dance
- Wood-Fired Bread Baking
- Birch Bark Weaving: Birds & Beyond
- Creating the Perfect Match: Canapés & Beer Tasting



Featured Speaker: Fulton Brewing

Sat, Sept 14 from 2:30-3:30 pm;
\$5 at the door/free to event passholders/NH members

North House is pleased to welcome Fulton Brewery to Unplugged XIII! Join Ryan Petz, one of the founders of Fulton Brewery (and Cook County local!) to hear how he and his friends went from the garage to the many-thousand square foot brewery. Ryan will share an inside view of what it's like to take a passion for craft beer from hobby to business and answer your questions about hops, half-barrels, hefe-wiezens and more.



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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, hand-spinning fibers, baking delicious wood-fired breads, and swinging the blacksmith's hammer—the list goes on!

During the typical year we:

- Offer over 350 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: Setting 700 chairs up under the big tent is a monumental task! Volunteer Pete Harris comes back year after year with a dialed-in system for making sure the chairs end up in orderly rows. Each chair is hand-numbered, and a team of volunteers works to make sure each chair ends up where it should. When you settle in to enjoy the evening's show keep in mind the hard work that went in to giving you an optimal view of the stage!

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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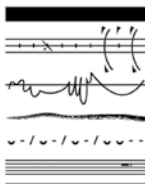
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