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Landmark Center News and Events

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## St. Patrick's Day and Day of Irish Dance

An authentic, family friendly St. Patrick's Day celebration is easy to find if you look in St. Paul. Presented in partnership with the Irish Music and Dance Association, Landmark Center hosts two days filled with fun for the whole family. March 17, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m., is the St. Patrick's Day Irish Celebration, and March 19, 11 a.m. – 5 p.m., is the Day of Irish Dance.

New for 2017:

- Two new groups of young musicians – Sona, featuring Hannah Flowers on harp and Mattie Ernst on fiddle and concertina; and Ryan Behnke on uilleann pipes with Buddy Ferrari on vocals and bouzouki. Behnke is a recent graduate of the Irish World Academy of Music and Dance in Limerick, Ireland.
- Legacy will present a musical workshop, "New Kids On The Block: Songs about the Irish in America, 1860-1920."
- The Celtic Collaborative presents "Danny Who? Forty Years in Irish Music" with skits and music that illuminates Musician Tom Dahill's raucous new memoir.
- Gaeltacht Minnesota seminar, "Irish for Tourists," a fun introduction to the language for anyone contemplating a trip to the Emerald Isle.
- Brian Miller will lead a seminar on Irish songs once famous in Minnesota Lumber camps during Day of Dance, March 19.
- Kid's Create Studio is sponsoring the Kid's Craft Area with craft projects designed especially for the Irish Celebrations.
- Day of Dance, March 19, will feature two new Irish dance groups - Casey Academy of Irish Dance from St. Paul; and the Loring Irish Dance Team, a group of 4th and 5th graders from Loring Community School in Minneapolis.
- IMDA membership promotion - anyone who becomes an IMDA member by March 31 will be entered to win a $250 gift certificate to R.F. Moeller Jewelers.

Additionally, dozens of performers will take the stage on St. Patrick's Day and more than 700 dancers will fill Landmark Center on Day of Irish Dance, March 19. Admission for each day is $7 for adults, and $5 for children ages 6-12 and seniors. For more information visit imda-mn.org/stpatricksday.html.

## Twin Cities Opera Guild

Join Landmark Center for *Raise Your Voices!* an evening of beautiful arias and ensembles from the great masterpieces of opera by Mozart, Puccini, Verdi, Tchaikovsky, Britten, Lehar, Saint-Saens, and Johann Strauss, Jr., presented by the combined forces of The Gate City Bank Young Artists and University of Minnesota Opera Theatre. Both groups are currently touring in the Twin Cities, presenting educational outreach program in schools with generous support from the Twin Cities Opera Guild. They will perform a free concert at Landmark Center, April 18, at 7:30 pm with a reception to follow.

*Pictured: Fargo-Moorhead Opera Gate City Bank Young Artists*

## Events Calendar

Mar. 2 The Schubert Club Courtroom Concert
Courtroom 317; 12 pm; Free

Mar. 9 The Schubert Club Courtroom Concert
Courtroom 317; 12 pm; Free

Global Conversations in St. Paul: Trade and Politics
Courtroom 326; 12 pm; Free (res. req.)

Mar. 12 Sundays at Landmark: Urban Expedition – Colombia
Musser Cortile; 1 pm; Free

Mar. 14 Ballet Tuesdays
Musser Cortile; 12 pm; Free

Mar. 15 The Schubert Club KidsJam
Schubert Club Museum; 10:30 am; $5

MMC/ACF Workshop Wednesdays
Courtroom 326; 6:30 pm; $5/Free to members

Mar. 17 St. Patrick's Day Irish Celebration
Building wide; 10 am – 5 pm; $7/$5

Mar. 19 Day of Irish Dance
Building wide; 11 am – 5 pm; $7/$5

Mar. 21 World Storytelling Day: Transformation
F.K. Weyerhaeuser Auditorium; 7 pm; Free will donate

Rose Ensemble lecture
Courtroom 317; 5:30 pm; Free

Mar. 23 The Schubert Club Courtroom Concert
Courtroom 317; 12 pm; Free

Mar. 25 World Storytelling Day: Kids Day
F.K. Weyerhaeuser Auditorium; 10 am; Free

Mar. 30 The Schubert Club Courtroom Concert
Courtroom 317; 12 pm; Free

Apr. 1 A Scottish Ramble
Building wide; 11 am – 5 pm; $6/$4

Apr. 6 The Schubert Club Courtroom Concert
Courtroom 317; 12 pm; Free

The Schubert Club Live at the Museum
Schubert Club Museum; 7:30 pm; $10-$16

Apr. 9 Sundays at Landmark: Urban Expedition – Togo
Musser Cortile; 1 pm; Free

Apr. 11 Ballet Tuesdays
Musser Cortile; 12 pm; Free

Apr. 13 The Schubert Club Courtroom Concert
Courtroom 317; 12 pm; Free

Global Conversations in St. Paul: South China Sea
Courtroom 326; 12 pm; Free (res. req.)

Apr. 16 Building Closed

Apr. 18 Twin Cities Opera Guild
Musser Cortile; 7:30 pm; Free

## Events Calendar (cont.)

Apr. 20 The Schubert Club Courtroom Concert
Courtroom 317; 12 pm; Free

Apr. 23 Sundays at Landmark: Urban Expedition – Karen (Burma)
Musser Cortile; 1 pm; Free

Apr. 26 The Schubert Club KidsJam
Schubert Club Museum; 10:30 am; $5

Apr. 27 The Schubert Club Courtroom Concert
Courtroom 317; 12 pm; Free

Apr. 30 Bandwidth Community Band Festival
Musser Cortile; 12 pm; Free

## Workshop Wednesdays

On Wednesday, March 15, the Minnesota Music Coalition and American Composers Forum present a panel discussion with artists and nonprofit leaders about making "Music for a Cause." Part of the monthly Workshop Wednesdays series, this conversation will share various models for how musicians can work with charities to raise money and awareness for various causes. The event will be held at Landmark Center in Room 326 from 6:30-7:30 pm. Admission is $5 but free for students and MMC/ACF members. Register and get more info at www.mnmusiccoalition.org.

## Urban Expedition

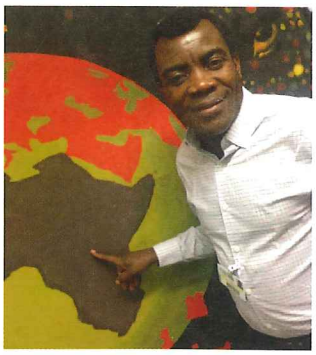
Go on global adventures with Landmark Center's Urban Expedition! The events are always free and each one features crafts, exhibits, music, dance and live animals. Also, food representative of the featured county is available for purchase.

"Urban Expedition is a wonderful way to get a glimpse into a new country or culture and have a global experience without even leaving town," explains Judy Brooks, Director of Community Programs.

Upcoming Urban Expeditions, 1 pm:
March 12 – Colombia
April 9 – Togo
April 23 – Karen (Burma)

## World Storytelling Day

At some point in life, every person goes through a transformation. Nobody's experience is exactly the same, but the process of change happens to everyone. This universal truth is the topic celebrated during this year's World Storytelling Day events, March 21 at 7 pm, and a children's event March 25 at 10 am. Both events are in Landmark Center's F.K. Weyerhaeuser Auditorium.



March 21, join four local storytellers as they relate stories of transformation from their experience in the education system and process.

March 25, storytellers will share age appropriate classic tales of (cont. pg. 3)

## Global Conversations

Explore the year's most important foreign policy topics with *Global Conversations in St. Paul*. Co-presented by Global Minnesota and Landmark Center, *Global Conversations in St. Paul* is a monthly program on issues significant to the United States' role in the world community led by a local expert. Events are in Courtroom 326 at 12 pm.

**Upcoming conversations:**
**March 9, Trade and Politics**
The U.S. political mood toward trade has gone sour. Look no further than the 2016 presidential contest for the popular narrative: trade means that China wins, at America's expense. Do the numbers support that conclusion? The metrics used to gauge economic strength—Gross Domestic Product and balance of trade—have not kept up with the realities of modern manufacturing. Obtaining an accurate picture of U.S. economic stature requires a critique of those numbers. Only then can the U.S. develop appropriate policy solutions for the challenges at hand.

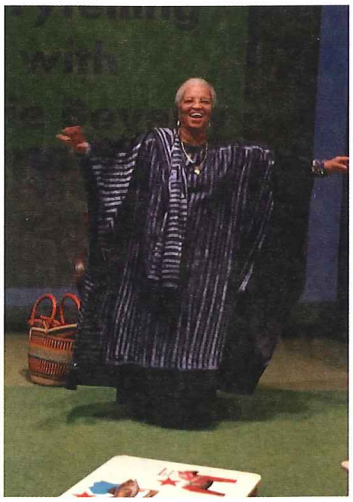
**April 13, Conflict in the South China Sea**
The South China Sea is a locus of competing territorial claims, and China its most vocal claimant. Beijing's interest has intensified disputes with other countries in the region in recent years, especially since China has increased its naval presence. Despite rising international pressure, including an unfavorable ruling by the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea, China staunchly defends its policies in the region. Preventing tensions from boiling over is a matter of careful diplomacy.

## World Storytelling Day (cont.)

transformation. From "The Very Hungry Caterpillar" and "The Ugly Duckling," to "Pinocchio" and "Beauty and the Beast," there are lessons to be learned for all ages.

Since 2003, World Storytelling Day events take place on or around March 20 in more than 25 countries around the world. Each year a global theme complements the principal concept behind WSD, "If I can hear your story, it's harder for me to hate you." Both Landmark Center WSD events are free to attend. RSVPs to the evening event on March 21 are requested and can be made by emailing Larry Johnson at larryjvfp@gmail.com.

**CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS:**
Landmark Center wants to hear and share stories of transformation. From the smallest change that shaped one life, to a global movement, transformation fills our history books and personal stories. Stories and images can be emailed to kschoenfelder@landmarkcenter.org or submitted via Landmark Center's Facebook or Instagram using @landmarkcenter and #worldstorytellingday.



### Visitor Information Center (VIC)
The VIC has information about activities and events in downtown Saint Paul and surrounding Ramsey County.
Information Line: 651.292.3225 ext: 0.

**Desk Hours:** Monday - Friday 9 am - 3 pm
Saturday 9 am - 4 pm
Sunday 12 - 3 pm

**Landmarket Gift Shop:** Tuesday - Saturday 11 am - 3 pm
Sunday 12 - 3 pm

### American Association of Woodturners Gallery of Wood Art

**Current Exhibits:** Ongoing, *Touch This!* and *Around the Hus*

**Gallery/Gift Shop:** Tuesday - Friday, 11 am - 4 pm, FREE
Sunday, 12 - 3 pm, FREE
Call 651.484.9094 for more details.

### The Schubert Club

**The Schubert Club Museum**
Sunday - Friday, 12 - 4 pm, FREE

### North Gallery

**Current Exhibit:** *Talking Threads: fiber art created by the Truly Unruly fiber art collective*
February 16 - March 26
Open during building hours, FREE

**Upcoming Exhibit:** *I am a Woman: Photo essays of iconic women*
March 30 - April 16
Open during building hours, FREE

### Landmark Gallery
*A Landmark Reclaimed: From Federal Building to Community Icon*
Basement level, open during building hours, free.
The exhibit chronicles the history of Landmark Center and the people who made it the community building it is today.

### Landmark Center Tour Information
Landmark Center offers a variety of public, private, and specialized building tours for individuals, families, schools, and groups. Free public building tours are offered every Thursday at 11 am and Sunday at 12 pm. Private tours may also be scheduled 2 weeks in advance. There is a charge for private tours. Please call 651.292.3237 for more information.

### Ramsey County Historical Society

**Research Center:** A non-circulating collection documenting the history of Ramsey County and Saint Paul. Monday - Thursday, 12:30 - 4:30 pm. For more information, call 651.222.0701.

### "Uncle Sam Worked Here" Exhibit
An interactive interpretive exhibit gives visitors a glimpse into federal courts, wartime activities, prohibition, immigration and more that occurred in Landmark Center. Self-guided and guided tours are available during building hours. For tour information call 651.292.3237.

### Anita's Café
Enjoy breakfast or lunch at Anita's Café, where "Chef Jeff" will satisfy your culinary delights with his daily specials. Open Monday - Friday, 7:30 am - 2 pm. For catering services call 651.292.4160.

## A Scottish Ramble

A Scottish Ramble, Landmark Center's popular Scottish celebration kicks off Minnesota Tartan Week events, April 1, 11 am – 5 pm. These traditional Scottish celebrations bring together all aspects of Scottish heritage for true Scots, and Scottish enthusiasts alike.

The festival features dance groups from around the region, pipe bands, and other traditional Scottish music performances, cultural information sessions, children's activities, as well as food and merchandise vendors. Admission is $6 for adults, $4 for seniors and children age 12 and younger. Attendees can look forward to several favorite Scottish performance groups:

Gunn Slingers, a mix of traditional Scottish tunes with hard groove and high energy • Thistledown • The Northerly Gales, acoustic folk quartet with voice, guitar, fiddle, and bass augmented by harmonica, whistle, pipes, and bodhran • Ravensfire, traditional music, folk songs, instrumentals and original music • Highland & Country dancing • Pipe bands

### Accessibility

If you plan to attend a Landmark Center activity and have a need for special assistance, please e-mail admin@landmarkcenter.org or call 651.292.3233 at least two business days prior to the event.

### Landmark Center Building Hours:

Monday - Friday 8 am - 5 pm
Thursday 8 am - 8 pm
Saturday 10 am - 5 pm
Sunday 12 - 5 pm

*Landmark Center is owned and sponsored by Ramsey County.*

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