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Landmark Center News and Events

JENNI'S CAFE — NOW OPEN!

There's a new reason to linger longer at Landmark Center. After a long-awaited renovation and new ownership, Jenni's Café opened its doors on April 13, just in time for the lively summer concert season and downtown sightseeing!



Tucked within the grand surroundings of the historic former Federal Courthouse, Jenni's Café invites visitors to dine where history lives. Beneath the soaring architecture and dramatic central cortile that makes Landmark Center one of Saint Paul's most beloved landmarks, the café offers a warm and stylishly refreshed retreat. Inside, a soon-to-be cozy fireplace, comfortable seating, and views overlooking Rice Park create the perfect place to catch up with friends, sip a coffee, or enjoy a leisurely lunch. In warmer months, patio seating will provide a shady spot to relax while taking in views of Rice Park and downtown Saint Paul.



Jenni's Café is owned by Joe Ruhland and named after his wife and co-owner, Jen. Together they've created a menu that puts a creative twist on classic café favorites, highlighting fresh ingredients and thoughtfully crafted flavors. Guests can enjoy locally roasted espresso drinks, specialty lattes, and organic teas alongside freshly baked, in-house pastries. Breakfast offerings include inventive toasts, yogurt bowls, and panini sandwiches, while lunch features soups, salads, and hearty sandwiches such as brisket dip, gourmet grilled cheese, and Italian chicken baguettes.

With delicious food, and inviting atmosphere, Jenni's Café is a welcome addition to Landmark Center and the downtown community. Jenni's is open Monday-Friday 8 AM- 2PM. For more information and to view their menu visit jennis-stp.com.



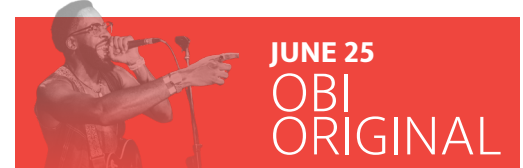
MUSIC ON THE CORTILE

Summer lunchtime music returns to Landmark Center with the *Music on the Cortile* series. Five free concerts will take place at noon throughout the summer, featuring local musicians performing in Landmark Center's beautiful Musser Cortile. Bring your lunch, or pick one up at Jenni's Café, and enjoy live music in a historic setting.

The series kicks off **June 25** with **Obi Original & The Black Atlantics**. A storyteller, bandleader, and Afrobeats/Highlife innovator, Obi Original draws inspiration from legends like Oliver De Coque, Chief Osita Osadebe, and Fela Kuti. His music blends traditional Nigerian rhythms with modern energy, creating a joyful, communal sound that connects audiences across cultures and generations.

The series continues throughout the summer:

- July 9 – Jada Brown & Vinny Franco
- July 23 – Clovers Daughter
- August 6 – Room3
- August 20 – anni xo



All performances are on Thursdays at 12 PM. For more information, visit Landmark Center's website or call 651.292.3063.

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EVENTS CALENDAR

- May 3 *Sundays at Landmark:* Urban Expedition - Cambodia
Musser Cortile; 1-3 pm; Free
- HORA: Romanian Women in Culture - Voices, Visionaries, and Legacy
Room 319; 1-3 pm; Free
- May 4 Reservations for June Walking Tours Open Online; 8 am; Free
- Red Bird Chapbooks: Watercolor Sketchbooks
Room 424; 1-3 pm; Free (res. req.)
- May 5 *Ballet Tuesdays:* Les Sirenes
Musser Cortile; 12-1 pm; Free
- May 7 Schubert Club Courtroom Concerts
Courtroom 317; 12-1 pm; Free
- May 8 Justice + Preservation: Hidden Stories of Landmark Center
Building Wide; 2-3:15 pm; \$17.85 (reg. req.)
- May 10 *Sundays at Landmark:* Saint Paul Civic Symphony Mother's Day Concert
Musser Cortile; 1 pm; Free
- HORA: Romanian Women in Culture - Voices, Visionaries, and Legacy
Room 319; 1-3 pm; Free
- May 15 ACF: Community Conversation - "Reading the Rocks" with Niloufar Nourbakhsh
Courtroom 317; 3-5 pm; Free (reg. req.)
- May 17 AAW Gallery of Wood Art: Woodturning Demonstration
2nd Floor Galleria; 1-4 pm; Free
- HORA: Romanian Women in Culture - Voices, Visionaries, and Legacy
Room 319; 1-3 pm; Free
- May 23 Red Bird Chapbooks: Books to Zines - Histories, Hands, and the Pamphlet Stitch
Room 424; 1-3 pm; Free (res. req.)
- May 25 Building Closed; Memorial Day
- May 31 HORA: Romanian Women in Culture - Voices, Visionaries, and Legacy
Room 319; 1-3 pm; Free
- June 2 Brian Poulton: Art with a Purpose - Living Waters Opening Reception
North Gallery; 5-7 pm; Free

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- June 7 HORA: Threads of Identity - Traditional Romanian Textiles Exhibit
Room 319; 1-3 pm; Free
- June 10 Rocky Roots Walking Tour
Landmark Center Information Desk; 10 am; Free (res. req.)
- June 14 HORA: Threads of Identity - Traditional Romanian Textiles Exhibit
Room 319; 1-3 pm; Free
- June 17 RCHS History Revealed: Ken Burns' The American Revolution Ep. 1
Courtroom 317; 11 am - 1 pm; Free (reg. req.)
- Rice Park Walking Tour
Landmark Center Information Desk; 4 pm; Free (res. req.)
- Summer Nights in Rice*
Rice Park; 5-7 pm; Free
- June 21 AAW Gallery of Wood Art: Woodturning Demonstration
2nd Floor Galleria; 1-4 pm; Free
- HORA: Threads of Identity - Traditional Romanian Textiles Exhibit
Room 319; 1-3 pm; Free
- June 24 Uncle Sam Worked Here Tour
Landmark Center Information Desk; 10 am; Free (res. req.)
- Summer Nights in Rice*
Rice Park; 5-7 pm; Free
- June 25 *Music on the Cortile:* Obi Original & The Black Atlantics
Musser Cortile; 12-1 pm; Free
- June 28 HORA: Threads of Identity - Traditional Romanian Textiles Exhibit
Room 319; 1-3 pm; Free
- Ongoing** **Landmark Center Public Building Tours**
Tours take place every Sunday at 12:30 pm and begin at the Visitor Information Center. Tours are free and reservations are not required. *Please note: There will be no tour on Mother's Day, May 10.*

SUMMER NIGHTS IN RICE

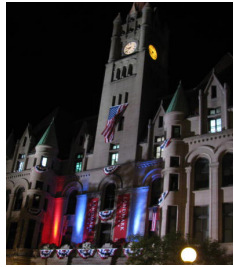
Join us for Summer Nights in Rice—a free outdoor concert series presented by the Rice Park Association. Enjoy live music in the heart of downtown Saint Paul on select Wednesdays from 5-7 PM.

Mark your calendars:

June 17	July 29
June 24	August 12
July 8	August 19



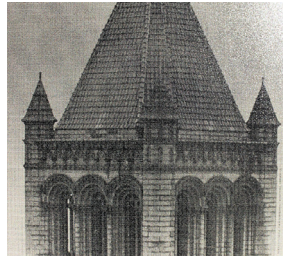
A SUMMER TO CELEBRATE: LIMITED-TIME EXHIBIT AND TOURS



In 2026, the United States celebrates its 250th birthday, while Landmark Center marks 50 years since its restoration as a historic and cultural landmark. To celebrate these milestones, Landmark Center is offering special summer tours and a new exhibit in the North Gallery.

From Bicentennial to 250: The Renaissance of Landmark Center

Did you know that Minnesota Landmarks oversaw Saint Paul's major celebrations for the United States Bicentennial in 1976, honoring the nation's first 200 years? As we approach the 250th (semiquincentennial) anniversary this summer, the North Gallery will feature artifacts and stories from the Bicentennial era, highlighting the moment when community enthusiasm helped launch the restoration of Landmark Center and begin its transformation into the thriving cultural center it is today.



Minnesotans: Will you Care?

A \$3,000,000 public fund drive is underway to complete the Bicentennial phase renovation of Landmark Center (formerly the Old Federal Court Building).

Tours



Uncle Sam Worked Here: For more than 60 years in downtown Saint Paul, the US Government made its home in the Federal Building, now known as Landmark Center. In conjunction with America's 250th, this tour will highlight the federal agencies that called this historic and formidable building home. Whether you were here to mail a letter, take the oath of citizenship, or settle disputes, all were once handled within these granite walls.

10 AM: June 24, July 22, August 26



Rocky Roots: With permission from the Ramsey County Historical Society, we will explore the geological and architectural uniqueness of downtown St. Paul's stone buildings. Most of the stone was sourced from quarries outside the area, many in the Midwest. Each stone carries an ancient story, and each building reflects human imagination and craftsmanship. This tour highlights fragments of those stories, focusing on Landmark Center and the surrounding neighborhood.

10 AM: June 10, July 8, August 12



Rice Park: Stroll through one of St. Paul's oldest public parks, surrounded by landmarks including Saint Paul Hotel, George Latimer Central Library, and Ordway Center for the Performing Arts. Some tours coincide with the Summer Nights in Rice concert series, ending just as the music begins.

10 AM: July 15 | 4 PM: June 17, August 19



Climb to the Top (of the North Tower): Go behind the scenes in the North Tower of Landmark Center for a climb to the rooftop and a bird's-eye view of downtown Saint Paul. Bring your camera!

11 AM-1PM: July 1, August 5, September 13

Scan the QR code for more information and to make a reservation



LANDMARK CENTER BUILDING, GALLERIES, GIFT SHOP, & TOURS

Visitor Information Center (VIC)

For the most up-to-date building information, and information about downtown Saint Paul and surrounding Ramsey County, call 651.292.3225 or visit our website landmarkcenter.org.

North Gallery

Upcoming - Brian Poulton, *Art with a Purpose: Living Waters*
May 18 through June 16

Opening reception: June 2, 5-7 PM

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 Gift Shop

Hours: Wed-Fri, 10 am-2 pm, and during most public programs.
Landmark features unique local gifts, souvenirs, and Minnesota inspired books.

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.

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF WOODTURNERS GALLERY OF WOOD ART

Ongoing Exhibit: AAW Permanent Collection; *Art from the Lathe, Around the Hus, and Touch This.*

On View: *Holding Space*-Annual International Exhibition and Auction of Small Scale Works; March 15-May 22, 2026.

Hours: Wednesday - Friday and Sunday from 12-4 pm, and by appointment. For more details or to make an appointment call 651.484.9094 or visit galleryofwoodart.org.

SCHUBERT CLUB

Schubert Club Music Museum

Wednesday-Friday and Sunday from 12-4 pm
Saturday from 10 am-2 pm

Visit schubert.org or call 651.292.3268 for more information, virtual events, and updates.

HERITAGE ORGANIZATION OF ROMANIAN AMERICANS IN MINNESOTA - ROMANIAN AMERICAN CULTURAL CENTER

Located in Suite 319, the Romanian-American Cultural Center (HORA) offers the Romanian-American community in Minnesota a place to gather, celebrate, and proudly share their traditions and culture. The cultural center is open every Sunday 1-3 pm or contact Raluca Octav at ralucaoctav@hotmail.com or 651.600.8771 to schedule a private tour by appointment.

RAMSEY COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY/RESEARCH CENTER

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HANDMADE FOR THE HOLIDAYS: APPLY TO THE 48TH ANNUAL BAZAAR

Calling all artists! We're seeking talented makers to display and sell their creations at Saint Paul's most cherished holiday gift market, the 48th annual *Holiday Bazaar*. Renowned as one of the Twin Cities' premier holiday markets, the bazaar is a joyous celebration of creativity, craftsmanship, and community. Be one of the talented makers behind these unique items. The Bazaar features a diverse array of high-quality handcrafted goods, from jewelry and woodwork to paintings, decor, food, and wearable art.

We're looking for vendors who create and sell their own original work and are particularly interested in vendors that sell items for kids. **No imports, kits, commercial jewelry, or mass-produced items, please.** Thank you for keeping it handmade!

Holiday Bazaar 2026 Hours:

Friday, December 4: 10am-7pm
Saturday, December 5: 10am-5pm
Sunday, December 6: 10am-5pm

Vendor fees and admission proceeds support Landmark Center's free and low-cost community programming.

**HOLIDAY
BAZAAR**
AT LANDMARK CENTER

To apply, visit landmarkcenter.org/holiday-bazaar. **Applications are due by May 31.** For additional information, please contact Jennifer Oberpriller at holidaybazaar@landmarkcenter.org or 612.394.0364.

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.

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(subject to change):
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Saturday: 10 am-5 pm
Sunday: 12-5 pm

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