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MILL CITY MUSINGS

Last Tuesday Happy Hour - TONIGHT!

Last Tuesday Happy Hour. June 29, 5 - 6 pm. Sea Change, 818 South 2nd St.

A Mill City Commons favorite, the happy hour hits a new location each month. Join hosts **Marcia Townley** and **Barbara Goldner** for a martini or glass of wine from Sea Change's impressive wine list, created by Bill Summerville! No RSVP necessary.

The MCC office will be closed July 5 in observance of Independence Day.

All MCC all the Time!

MIA Tour with Curator Elizabeth Armstrong. July 1, 5:30 pm. Minneapolis Institute of Arts, 2400 Third Avenue South.

MIA curator Elizabeth Armstrong leads a private walk-through of her new exhibition "Until Now: Collecting the New (1960-2010)." She'll take us on a dynamic tour of five decades of global contemporary art, providing new insights and aha! moments on the art of our times. The show features over 75 works by acclaimed international artists, including paintings, sculpture, installations, photography, graphic art, design, video, and new media. This is the July membership marketing event, so bring a friend! [Click here](#) to RSVP.

Play Reading - A Streetcar Named Desire. July 7, 6:30-9:30 pm. Guthrie Theater, 8th Floor, Livingston Conference Room, 818 S 2nd St.

Play readings are hosted by a member of the Guthrie Staff or an Artist affiliated with the play. Participants will be assigned parts for reading and may rotate parts as necessary. The tragic unraveling of Blanche DuBois plays out within a lily-laced atmosphere of heated passion and pulsing sweat in this classic American play by Tennessee Williams. Through its tumult of fantasies, reality and impassioned speeches, *A Streetcar Named Desire* paints a fascinating tragedy of a woman who struggles boldly against a harsh world, and creates a night of truly compelling, intensely emotional theater. Performance on the Guthrie Wurtele Thrust Stage: July 3 – August 29, 2010. Please [click here](#) to RSVP.

Meet the Farmers Dinner. July 8, 7:00 pm. Red Stag Supper Club, 509 1st Ave NE.

Each month Chef Brian Hauke will prepare a special 4 course menu featuring one of our local farmers. The special menus will be available during dinner hours from 5-10 pm, with a special presentation from the farmer at 7pm. Chef Hauke delights in fostering relationships with local farmers and is passionately devoted to cooking with local, seasonal ingredients. One key relationship that Brian has fostered is with that of Gail and Maurice Smith of Dragsmith Farms in Barron, WI. They are the featured farmers at this month's dinner. Dutch treat! Cost is \$38, payable at the restaurant. Please [RSVP here](#) by the end of this week so MCC can reserve a table!

Doing Good Just Got Easier...

Now available on the members-only website (drum roll, please...): The Mill City Commons volunteer tool!

We have officially moved our online volunteer tool to the Mill City Commons website! Like the old Lotsa Helping Hands site we were using, the new online volunteer tool includes a monthly calendar of member-to-member volunteer opportunities. You can sign up to help out, and you can see a list of your upcoming volunteer activities. This new tool is your one-stop volunteer shop! Need help and want it listed on the volunteer calendar? Send us an [email](#) with the details. *If you were previously signed up for a July volunteer activity on the old site, it has been transferred to the MCC site and you should've received a confirmation email from MCC.*

Don't forget to complete the short surveys for

- [Bridge](#)
- [Yoga](#)
- [Singles Dinners](#)

by Wednesday, Jun 30!

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Mill City Marketplace Vendor Spotlight

Meyer, Scherer & Rockcastle, Ltd, is an award winning architecture and interior design firm committed to excellence. Since 1981, the firm has produced work of enduring value: buildings that are expressly right for their time and place and that culturally and physically age gracefully. MS&R's projects are diverse in type, size, and locations, with specific depth of experience serving library, office, cultural, higher education, and residential clients. The firm has earned a national reputation for both designing exceptional new spaces and, through preservation, adaptive reuse, and renovation, designing innovative ways to reuse buildings. For more information on MCC vendors and discounts, please log in to your account at millcitycommons.org.

Does MCC Measure Up?

While 93% of older adults would prefer to age in place for as long as possible, only 5% of people over 70 can expect to do so. A recent study by the University of California Villages Project compares the numerous incarnations of the Village model across the U.S. Of the 28 villages participating in the study, MCC is the only one open to all ages and one of ten villages in urban areas. On average, less than 10% of members has been hospitalized in the past year, which suggests that members are in good health. Peace of mind and general well being? It takes a Village. To view the full study results, [click here](#).

Special offer from Hanson Home Fitness

Personal trainer Rob Hanson is offering special introductory prices for MCC Members: **20% off regular priced packages PLUS free consultations and assessments.** To learn more about Hanson Home Fitness, view our vendor directory at millcitycommons.org. To set up an appointment, call Rob at 612.242.9890.

Neighborhood Happenings

International Reggae All-Stars Concert. July 2, 7:00 pm. Antonello Hall, MacPhail Center for Music, 501 South Second Street.

With band members hailing from Venezuela, Trinidad, Ghana to Kingston, Jamaica, the International Reggae All-Stars play reggae, dancehall and all the Bob Marley classics, featuring one of today's hottest reggae vocalists, Kingston native Lynval "Golden Voice" Jackson. For more information, call 612-321-0100. The Concert is free. No RSVP necessary.

Exhibit Opening: Imagining the Mississippi: 30 Ways to Transform the Riverfront. July 7, 6:00-8:00pm. Mill City Museum, 704 South 2nd St.

"Imagining the Mississippi" is a design book that offers 30 separate visions of how the public can get closer to the Mississippi along the Minneapolis Central Riverfront, transforming the vision of the river and the city. The designs, and opportunities for the public to comment on them, are the subject of this exhibit at the Mill City Museum. The book was produced by students Daniel Carlson, Andy Cleven, Julia Hill, Kevin Lang, Michael Nickerson and Davidson Ward, advised by (MCC board member) **Leslie van Duzer** and Patrick Nunnally. Remarks will be made by Carlson, Ward and Nunnally at the opening reception. The students will be available for informal conversation throughout the event. A cash bar and light snacks will be available. The event is free. No RSVP necessary.

Wine and Words Dinner. July 15, 6:30 pm. Nicollet Island Inn, 95 Merriam St.

"Wine & Words" is a continuation of the Nicollet Island Inn's popular Wine Dinner Series. It is a specially crafted three-course dinner with expertly paired wines and a special presentation and book signing with Christopher and Rushika February Hage, local authors of *Images of America: Nicollet Island*. Come raise your I.Q. about the island we call home and its special place in the growth of one of America's great cities. Cost: \$60 per guest. Space is limited for this unique event, call 612-331-1800 today to make your reservations!