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Christmas House Tour features area homes, church



to bring you a stellar line up of homes as well as the First Baptist Church this year, featuring its amazing are: 500 Nativity displays. This bi-annual Christmas House Tour will be on Sunday, December 2. The self-guided tour begins at 3 p.m. and sites are open until 8 p.m.

Explore six area homes and learn more about their The Higl House, 708 West history, architecture and Broadway get a look inside these privately-owned homes. In henner: The Hohenner addition, they are decorat- Family Home, 55 Lois ed for Christmas for added Lane splendor. Tickets are \$12 members/\$15 public and include a house history guide and map, along with a bag for your shoes. Ticket and Anne Larson: The Vilpackets are only available lage House Inn, 72 College at the History Center, 160 Road Johnson Street, in advance,

The Winona County His- or the day of the tour. For torical Society is excited more information, visit winonahistory.org or call WCHS at 507-454-2723. Homeowners on the tour

> Chris and Stacey Arnold: The Leicht House, 661 Market Street

John and Lois Durfey: The Durfey House, 177 West Wabasha Street

Andrew and Teresa Higl:

Harro and Marianne Ho-

Bruce and Margaret Johnson: The Shaw Johnson House, 719 Main Street Roger and Carol Stewart



Give the gift of art at the MMAM

Van Gogh, Monet, O'Keeffe, oh my! Take a moment to slow down and visit the Minnesota Marine Art Museum this holiday season. Studies show that exposure to art relieves stress, encourages creativity and builds community. Schedules can be hectic during the holidays, so destress and arouse your senses by surrounding yourself with great art inspired by water.

Do you have an art lover in your life? Give the gift of art with \$10 off gifted memberships and admission packages that can be enjoyed yearround. The MMAM Store also features unique gifts for people from all ages, including children's books and toys, work from local artisans, jewelry, and much more. Stop in to the Minnesota Marine Art Museum to take care of yourself while crossing some of your holiday shopping off of your list. Visit mmam.org for more information.

Highway 61 **Concert Series to** feature regional band, holiday favorites

Celebrate the holiday season with local favorite bluegrass band, String Ties on December 8 at 7 p.m., at the historic St. Cecilia Theatre, 1115 W. Broadway. This festive concert marks the fifth of Hurry Back Productions' Highway 61 Concert Series and features the amazing four-piece group, playing everything from traditional bluegrass to new-grass music. The tight harmonies are produced by Larry Dalton on the stand-up bass, Tommy Pfaff on the 5-string banjo, Wayne Beezley on the mandolin, and Dan Sebranek on the guitar. String Ties promises a fun and laid-back evening of traditional and original compositions. Their an-



al series of holiday shows around the region have grown in popularity every year. This event marks their return to Winona for the first time since 2013. Tickets are \$12.50, \$17.50, and \$26.50. For more information visit hurryback.org/highway-61-concert-series.





The city of Winona, the Main Street Program, WINONArts, and Winona entrepreneur Alison Bettin of Tiny Spoons are teaming together to bring a new holiday tradition to Winona: The Winona Holiday Market on Saturday, December 15, from 12-8 p.m., and on Sunday, December 16, from 12-6 p.m. on the Levee Park Plaza and Patio.

The Winona Holiday Market will fea-

vendors from all over the region, featuring exquisite holiday baked goods, handmade clothing, ornaments, fine jewelry, and more.

The Winona Holiday Market will also be the kickoff of "Let's Levee: Winter Edition," with food trucks, hot beverages, mulled wines, cocoa, and the grand opening of the newest Park and Recreation feature in Winona: The Levee Park

throughout the winter season, weather permitting, and the inaugural skate is planned during the market. Skating will be first-come, first-served, subject to space on the ice, and free of charge. Bring your own skates, please.

For more information, call the Winona Park and Recreation office at 507-457-8258 or visit the city of Winona Park and Recreation website, and click on the link



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SMU ensembles celebrate the season with four festive concerts



ture more than 25 one-of-a-kind artisan Ice Skating Rink. The rink will be open or like the WINONArts Facebook page.

Annual CP Holiday Train to visit Winona Dec. 9

The Canadian Pacific (CP) Holiday Train will make its annual stop to entertain the Winona community and celebrate 20 years of collecting food and raising funds for food banks across North America on December 9 at 4 p.m. at Winona's Amtrak Depot. The CP Holiday Train program launched in 1999 and has since raised more than \$14.5 million and gathered 4.3 million pounds of food for communities along CP's routes in Canada and the United States. Every pound and dollar raised at each stop stays with the local food bank to help feed those in need in that community. This year's musical guests include The Trews, a Canadian hardrock band from Antigonish, Nova Scotia, and Willy Porter, a contemporary American rock musician and singer-songwriter, who will perform on the dropped stage from the train car. Winona is one of 20 stops the train makes in Minnesota.





Christmas Radio Show: 1938 Noir

presents the seventh annu- 2 p.m. This year's Christ- West Third Street, Winona. al Christmas Radio Show mas Radio Show will take Presale tickets are \$15 for written by Alex Green and place at Burke Music House, general admission and \$7 for directed by Tony Opelt. 226 East Third Street, Wi- students. Tickets will also be This year's theme is 1938 nona. Please use the back available at the door and are Noir. Performances are on entrance. Purchase tickets \$18 for general admission December 7 and 8 at 7:30 online at theatredumiss.org and \$7 for students.

Theatre du Mississippi p.m. and on December 9 at or Chapter 2 Books, 121

• Friday, December 7, 7:30 p.m.: Jazz at Saint Mary's University presents "Red Bird Club: Christmas in New Orleans," at the Valencia Arts Center. The concert will feature vocalists, an emcee, cash bar, and a dance floor.

• Saturday, December 8, 3 p.m.: Saint Mary's University Chamber Orchestra presents a winter concert at in the Figliulo Recital Hall

• Saturday, December 8, 7:30 p.m.: Saint Mary's University Choirs present "Lessons and Carols" at the Chapel of Saint Mary of the Angels.

• Sunday, December 9, 4 p.m.: Saint Mary's University Concert Band and various small ensembles will present a variety of music to celebrate the season at the Page Theatre. A cookie reception will follow in the Ben Miller Lobby.

Tickets to all events are \$10 for adults and \$5 for students and senior citizens. For tickets and information, visit pagetheatre.org or call 507-457-1715.

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