



# EXCURSIONS FROM THE SQUARE

## MINNEAPOLIS & ST. PAUL OCTOBER 5-8, 2012

Discover the cultural heritage of the **TWIN CITIES**, with its distinctive architecture and impressive museums. See the **WALKER ART CENTER's** shimmering new addition, and the **FREDERICK R. WEISMAN ART MUSEUM**, Frank Gehry's first museum built in 1993. The **MINNEAPOLIS INSTITUTE OF ARTS** houses more than 100,000 objects spanning 5,000 years of world history. Across the Mississippi River in **ST. PAUL** we will tour its historic buildings from the turn of the last century.

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 5** - Arrive at Minneapolis/St. Paul Airport today and check in at the historic **HILTON MARQUETTE HOTEL** originally built by Philip Johnson. A tour of the city will be followed by a visit to the **WALKER ART CENTER**, known for its permanent collection of 20<sup>th</sup> century American and international art. A special highlight is the center's **MINNEAPOLIS SCULPTURE GARDEN**, an 11-acre park with works by Oldenburg, Noguchi and Bourgeois. Dinner is included this evening.

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 6** - The region's giant industries have fostered the cultural infrastructure of the **TWIN CITIES**. Minneapolis produced more flour in the 19th century than any city in the world. This morning we will visit the **MILL CITY MUSEUM**, which traces the city's history as a milling center. View historic buildings at the University of Minnesota Campus, and visit the **FREDERICK R. WEISMAN MUSEUM**, recently expanded with a design by original architect Frank Gehry. It was once described as an "exploding silver artichoke" and is known for its collections of 20<sup>th</sup> century American art. Lunch is on your own before a visit to the **MINNEAPOLIS INSTITUTE OF ARTS** with its new **TARGET WING**, designed by Michael Graves.

**OPTIONAL EVENING EVENTS WILL BE PLANNED ONCE SCHEDULES ARE DETERMINED.**

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 7** - We will cross the Mississippi River in time for brunch and spend the afternoon in **ST. PAUL**. Whereas Minneapolis is sophisticated and modern, St. Paul has an old-world character with its Victorian architecture and downtown parks. We will view the mansions on Summit Avenue and visit the former home of James J. Hill who constructed the Great Northern Railway. Impressive public buildings abound in St. Paul including the **CITY HALL AND COURTHOUSE**, an art deco masterpiece built in 1932, and the **MINNESOTA STATE CAPITOL** completed by famed architect Cass Gilbert in 1904.

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 8** - Minneapolis rivals New York and Berlin with its abundance of architectural projects. Our morning tour will focus on the architecture of downtown Minneapolis including the brand new **TYRONE GUTHRIE THEATRE**, designed by French architect Jean Nouvel; and the **MINNEAPOLIS CENTRAL LIBRARY** designed by Cesar Pelli, architect of the Cira Center at 30<sup>th</sup> Street in Philadelphia. Return to your home city this afternoon or continue on with us for an optional extension to Duluth.

**COST FOR LAND ARRANGEMENTS: \$1375** per person double occupancy. The single supplement is **\$240**. Additional nights at the **MARQUETTE HOTEL** are available upon request. **THIS PRICE INCLUDES** three nights' accommodations at the **MARQUETTE HOTEL**, including tax and portorage; one lunch, one dinner and breakfast daily, all sightseeing as indicated in the itinerary, including entrance fees; and a pre-trip packet. The trip will be escorted by a representative from **EXCURSIONS FROM THE SQUARE**. Airport transfers are not included. **SPACE IS LIMITED** to 34 participants. Please complete the form below and mail it with a deposit of **\$350** to **EXCURSIONS FROM THE SQUARE**, P.O. Box 2189, Philadelphia, PA 19103. We accept Visa, MasterCard and American Express for a small additional fee. Final payment is due no later than July 25, 2012. Full refund may be made until final payment is made less an administrative fee of **\$350**. Thereafter the trip is non-refundable unless a replacement is found. Trip cancellation insurance is available from **EXCURSIONS FROM THE SQUARE**.

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