



The Minnesota State Fair is happy to announce new attractions, exhibits and other features for the 2022 Great Minnesota Get -Together. Following is a list of experiences debuting this year.

### **Blue Ribbon BINGO**

Have a blue-ribbon blast when BINGO makes its big-time debut at the Minnesota State Fair! BINGO proceeds support the Minnesota State Fair Foundation 501(c)(3), celebrating 20 years in 2022!

Each Bingo session includes 5 games. BINGO packets are \$10 each, cash only. Each packet contains 5 sheets, one for each game; each sheet contains 3 cards to play per game. If you begin play mid-session, the cost is still \$10. Winners receive two admission tickets to their choice of either the 2022 or 2023 State Fair and their very own coveted blue ribbon that will be the envy of family and friends. While you're here, snap a photo of the Guinness World Record's Largest Award Ribbon Rosette (we're not kidding – it's nearly 7' across with two 24' streamers), presented to Marjorie Johnson, prolific State Fair blue ribbon baker, in honor of her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday in 2019.

BINGO sessions include five games and last about 30 minutes. The first session will begin promptly at 9 a.m. daily; sessions will be held approximately once per hour, with the last session beginning at about 8 p.m. (7 p.m. on Labor Day). Check the sign outside Ramberg Center for session start times throughout the day. Children under age 18 are permitted to play but must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

*Located in Ramberg Center (sponsored by Cal Spas), on the west side of Underwood Street just north of Judson Avenue*

### **Survival: The Exhibition**

Adventure, fun and science collide! Survival: The Exhibition transports guests of all ages to the world's most awe-inspiring locales and asks the question: How can humans survive here?

Travel on a journey of bravery and brains as you experience the thrill of exploration, gain an appreciation for the wonders of nature, and prepare for the unexpected. From rainforests to high mountains to rolling oceans, from extreme cold to the temperate forest to our own locales, Survival: The Exhibition invites you to investigate, collaborate, problem-solve, play, build and collect your way to becoming the ultimate survival expert! Are you ready? Are you prepared? Adventure awaits! (Free with fair admission) Produced by Imagine Exhibitions

*Daily, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. (8 p.m. on Labor Day). Located in the North End Event Center, north of Murphy Avenue*

### **Two New Midway Rides**

**Iron Dragon Coaster:** This spectacular roller coaster has plenty of hairpin turns, fast and sudden drops, and lots of airtime!

**Music Express:** Fly at top speed – forward and backward – through dazzling lights and splashy music!

Riders on the Iron Dragon must be 48” to ride and 52” to ride alone; riders on Music Express must be 42” to ride and 52” to ride alone.

*Daily, 10 a.m. to 11 p.m. (9 p.m. on Labor Day). Located at Mighty Midway*

### **75 Years of the FFA Show at the Minnesota State Fair**

What began in 1948 with 37 boys exhibiting sheep and swine has grown into an expansive show with opportunities for FFA members from more than 200 chapters across the state to participate in livestock and non-livestock competitions. Special programs and exhibit highlights will commemorate the State Fair’s partnership with FFA.

- **Kickoff Program for 75 Years of FFA at the Minnesota State Fair:** Celebrate the history of FFA at the fair with a special proclamation and remarks from state and local leaders (Friday, Sept. 2, at 7 p.m., outside Compeer Arena)
- **Recognition of FFA Legends From 1948 to Today:** Honorees who will be recognized include Legacy FFA Show families and chapters; FFA advisors; show staff; and past recipients of the D.K. Baldwin Award, the highest FFA honor awarded at the fair. Baldwin advocated for the FFA show initiated in 1948 and was the State Fair’s general manager from 1951 to 1962, during which the FFA show experienced significant growth. (Saturday, Sept. 3, at 6 p.m., at the Christensen Farms Stage)
- **FFA Parade of Champions and Awards Program:** In addition to recognizing the 2022 FFA Supreme Champions in several livestock categories, as well as this year’s student exhibits, this program, sponsored by Bremer Bank, will honor families that have exhibited in the FFA shows for three generations or more. (Monday, Sept. 5, at 10 a.m., in Compeer Arena)

Exhibitions displayed throughout the fair include agriculture technology and crops in the Agriculture Horticulture Building; landscape design & construction showcased on the east side of the CHS Miracle of Birth Center; and new this year – agricultural interactive exhibits/demonstrations at the FFA Chapter House & Leadership Center at select times. Competitions held Sept. 2 to 5 include beef & dairy cattle, swine, sheep, meat goats, judging contests and safe tractor operation.

Most FFA competitions are held at the Livestock Complex area and the Agriculture Horticulture Building. Additional programs are held at the CHS Miracle of Birth Center and the FFA Chapter House & Leadership Center.

### **Open Captioning, Audio Description and ASL at the Fair**

We’ve added open captioning and audio description to our accessible services this year for guests who are deaf or hard of hearing or blind or have low vision, and we continue to offer ASL interpretation at select entertainment and educational programs throughout the fair.

Stop by! No advance reservation or additional fee required. For more information, check out the Accessibility Guide at [mnstatefair.org/general-info/accessibility-guide/](https://mnstatefair.org/general-info/accessibility-guide/)

- **Open captioning for MNHS Presents History On-A-Schtick:** 10 a.m. on Saturday, Aug. 27; Sunday, Aug. 28; Wednesday, Aug. 31; Thursday, Sept. 1, at the Schell’s Stage at Schilling Amphitheater
- **Audio description for MNHS Presents History On-A-Schtick:** 11 a.m. on Saturday, Aug. 27; Sunday, Aug. 28; Wednesday, Aug. 31; Thursday, Sept. 1, at the Schell’s Stage at Schilling Amphitheater

- **Audio description for All-Star Stunt Dogs Splash:** 2 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 27; Sunday, Aug. 28; Wednesday, Aug. 31; Thursday, Sept. 1, at The North Woods
- **ASL interpretation:**
  - Milking Demonstration, daily at 10 a.m., at the Moo Booth stage outside the Cattle Barn
  - Fish Pond Talk, daily at 10:45 a.m., at the DNR Fish Pond
  - Timberworks Lumberjack Show, daily at noon, at the North Woods Stage
  - Thank A Farmer Magic Show, daily at 1 p.m., at the Christensen Farms Stage
  - Harvesting Honey, daily at 2 p.m., in the Agriculture Horticulture Building
  - Renewing the Countryside Cooking Demonstration (topics vary), daily at 3 p.m., at the Sustainability Stage in Eco Experience
  - Mental Health Awareness at Dan Patch Park (ASL will be provided throughout the day for select programs on the stage), Monday, Aug. 29
  - Hmong Minnesota Day at Dan Patch (ASL will be provided throughout the day for select programs on the stage), Monday, Sept. 5

ASL interpretation is also available for Grandstand and Bandshell Tonight! shows with 14 days advance notice. Contact us at [accessibility@mnstatefair.org](mailto:accessibility@mnstatefair.org) or 651-288-4448.

Accessibility guest services are supported by the Minnesota State Fair Foundation.

### **Eco Experience: New Features**

At this award-winning exhibit, an array of new features includes displays (a must-see giant loon and an oversized cardboard moose!), plus resources and demonstrations that highlight what you can do to help improve our air, land, water and climate.

Eco Experience, sponsored by Xcel Energy, is a partnership of the State Fair, the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency and dozens of organizations and businesses across the state. It is the largest environmental education event of its kind in the country. Here are just a few of this year's highlights - all free with fair admission.

- **Land of the Loon - Protecting Minnesota's iconic state bird:** A roadside attraction for 40 years in Virginia, Minn., the world's largest floating loon makes a special State Fair visit! The loon is part spectacle (it's 20' tall!) and part serious-talk about how we can reduce the threats to the common loon, such as using lead-free tackle, keeping lakes clean and shorelines natural, and taking action to reduce climate change. Come see this historic Minnesota icon, and get a free sample of lead-free tackle and a loon temporary tattoo!
- **Giant Cardboard Moose Sculpture:** What better way to showcase that paper products – like the cardboard used in this sculpture of Minnesota's largest animal – make up the largest portion of what Minnesotans recycle. In fact, 380,000 tons of cardboard alone went to recycling facilities in 2020.
- **Cell Phone Recycling:** Recycling electronics waste helps to capture valuable materials. Dispose of your used cell phones and other devices in our Tech Dump box, and Tech Dump will destroy the data, then recycle or refurbish the items.
- **Reuse and Repair in Our Communities:** When we talk about reuse and how it contributes to more sustainable living, we often focus on reusable bags, cups and packaging. These are great switches, but it's also important to explore reuse, rental and repair opportunities with other products we use, including electronics, building materials, home goods, clothing and more. Stop by this new booth to get some helpful how-to ideas from a variety of reuse, rental and repair organizations and businesses located right in our own backyard.

- **Community Science Program of the Day:** Data collected by volunteers can help professional scientists answer research questions about wild plant and animal populations, as well as environmental conditions such as water clarity or temperature. Join a volunteer data collection program, and start making a difference for clean water and climate right away. This citizen science community table will feature different volunteer programs throughout the fair, including: Community Collaborative Rain, Hail, and Snow Network (CoCoRaHS) and the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency's Volunteer Water Monitoring Program (Aug. 25); Bluebird Recovery Program of Minnesota (Aug. 26); University of Minnesota - Bee Lab (Aug. 27); Minnesota DNR – Minnesota Loon Restoration Program (Aug. 28 & 29); Minnesota Dragonfly Society (Aug. 30); Starry Skies North (Aug. 31); University of Minnesota Extension (Sept. 1); Izaak Walton League of America – Salt Watch (Sept. 2); River Watch (Sept. 3); and Wetland Health Evaluation Program (Sept. 4 & 5)

*Daily, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. (8 p.m. on Labor Day). Specific activity times may vary. Located in the Progress Center, on the north side of Randall Avenue at Cosgrove Street*

### **Agriculture Horticulture Building's 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**

One of the most iconic buildings at the State Fairgrounds opened in 1947. The Agriculture Horticulture Building is home to a variety of competitions, demonstrations and displays – from flowers, food and bees & honey to craft beer, crop art, Christmas trees and ag education.

In this building affectionately known as Ag-Hort, sponsored by Bremer Bank, here's a sampling of what you'll find this year:

- **Bee & Honey:** From bees in hives, photos and cross stitch to honey in jars, lip balm, gift baskets, pastries, granola and salad dressing, you'll be inspired when you enter the Bee & Honey exhibit area. Don't miss the Looking Inside the Hive and Harvesting Honey demonstrations daily and the amazzzzzing bee beard demonstration Aug. 31.
- **Christmas Trees and Decorated Wreaths:** Do you agree with the judges' scoring in criteria such as taper, color/foilage, trunk, craftsmanship, balance and originality?
- **Crop Art:** Unique to the Minnesota State Fair, crop art is made from Minnesota-grown seeds, stems and other plant parts, and the talent, humor and creativity of Minnesotans is on full display.
- **College of Food, Agricultural and Natural Resource Sciences (CFANS):** Get gardening questions answered by representatives from the University of Minnesota's Master Gardener program; learn how to create a "smart lawn" to save water and attract pollinators; explore an interactive exhibit to learn about the Bell Museum's 150th anniversary; take a selfie in a canoe; and more.
- **The Common Table - Minnesota Eats:** Centering around six areas of action – Buy Local, Eat Local, Grow Food, Nurture Soil, Promote Justice and Reduce Waste, this interactive exhibit inspires Minnesotans to get connected to the food they eat.
- **The DIRT Demonstration Stage:** Always insightful and informational, The DIRT features presentations each day. Among the many topics to be presented by experts this year: Houseplant Know-How, Minnesota's Edible and Poisonous Mushrooms, Hydroponics: Gardening in a Bucket, Bee-utiful Lawns; Preserving Your Family's Garden History, Mums and Fall Annuals Designing, Support Local Farmers – Eat Good Food, and more! Sponsored by DISH



- **Farm Crops:** Oats, flax, turf crop seeds, corn, sheaves of grain and more are judged and displayed – in homage to our state’s agricultural legacy. Plus, marvel at a one-of-a-kind history seed sack collection and seeds that date back a century.
- **“Floralpalooza” in the Rotunda:** Large-scale handcrafted designs created by local florists center on this year’s theme – Spooktacular!
- **Flower Competitions:** The blooms are always beautiful in the flower competitions. This year, “Food & Fun at the Fair” is the theme of the Minnesota State Fair Flower Show for amateur and open class floral arrangers (Aug. 29-30). The State Fair also hosts flower shows sponsored by the Minnesota State Horticultural Society (Potted Plant Show Aug. 25-26); African Violet Society (Aug. 25-26); Minnesota Gladiolus Society (Aug. 27-28); Orchid Society of Minnesota (Sept. 2-3); Minnesota Bonsai Society (Sept. 2-3); Minnesota Dahlia Society (Sept. 4-5); and Minnesota State Florist Association (Professional Designer of the Year Aug. 31-Sept. 1).
- **Fruit & Wine:** Amateur-grown apples, plums, pears, crab apples and even the heaviest grape cluster, plus wine by amateurs and professionals, all vie for coveted State Fair ribbons. Check out the showcase of dozens of Minnesota apple varieties.
- **Minnesota Craft Brewers Guild:** The Guild offers flights of craft beer from nearly 100 Minnesota breweries and brewpubs; educational stations showcasing the history, agriculture and expanding industry that supports Minnesota’s craft beer; and daily stage programs that showcase Minnesota craft beer, the Guild and its members.
- **Minnesota Department of Agriculture:** Discover how the work of the MDA touches each of us every single day! Snap a photo, meet a farmer, and learn about agriculture with hands-on activities.
- **Vegetable Competitions:** Joining the largest pumpkins are entries for largest zucchini, onion, potato, kohlrabi, the longest carrot and so much more! Plus, bragging rights are awarded for the state’s finest container gardens, braided garlic, sweet peppers and decorated pumpkins, just to name a few!

*Ag-Hort is open 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. daily (8 p.m. on Labor Day). Specific activity times vary. Located north of Judson Avenue between Underwood and Cooper streets*

### **Old Iron Show Turns 25**

Reminiscent of the former Machinery Hill, the Old Iron Show – celebrating its 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary at the fair – gives fair guests an opportunity to get up-close for demonstrations and displays of beautifully restored, rare antique farm equipment. Learn about the history of the machines, their use in farm fields, the manufacturers of yesteryear, the dedicated, talented restorers in Minnesota, and best of all – marvel as the engines roar to life!

Young and old alike will enjoy meandering through the exhibit showcasing antique machinery such as:

- **“The Flour City” (1912):** Manufactured in north Minneapolis by the Kinnard-Haines Co., this 70-horsepower tractor was used mainly on large wheat farms in northwest Minnesota, North Dakota, Montana and southwestern Canada. It was restored to running condition in Hastings, Minn.
- **Aultman-Taylor tractor (1918):** This 45-horsepower tractor was made in Ohio and used on large wheat farms. It was restored to running condition in Hastings, Minn.
- **Rumley Oil Pull Model “K” (1922):** Noted for using oil for engine coolant instead of water, the Advanced-Rumley Co. in Indiana manufactured 14 different tractor models, including this 20-horsepower machine. After sitting in disrepair for decades, it was restored in Champlin, Minn.

- **John Deere Model “D” (1929):** John Deere produced 160,000 Model “D” tractors from 1923 to 1953, making it the longest-produced model ever built by John Deere. This particular tractor was built in Iowa, fell into disrepair in Texas, and was brought to Champlin, Minn., where it was restored to almost-new condition.
- **John Deere Model “M” (ca. 1947-52):** Proudly displayed in pristine condition! Fun fact: Of all the many, many tractor manufacturers that have existed from the early 1900s to today, John Deere is the only tractor company that still operates under its original company and name.

*Daily, 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. Located on Lee Avenue between Underwood and Cooper streets*

### **New Creative Activities Competitions**

Entering a competition is one of the greatest State Fair traditions! Adventurous amateur bakers and chefs – like you – can vie for even more blue ribbons and bragging rights this year with the addition of four new special contests:

- **Great Chocolate Cake Contest:** Prominently feature chocolate as an ingredient and flavor in your cake – solo or with any complimentary flavors. Entries can be any size or shape: layer, sheet, tube, cupcake or bite-size. The most unique and delicious cakes will win!
- **Low-to-No Sugar Showdown:** This contest is all about diabetes-friendly quick breads made with little to no sugar. Swap out the sugar for Splenda® products in your favorite recipes or create an entirely new one. Think scones, muffins and coffee cakes, and loaves with fruit, vegetables or spices qualify too!
- **Salad Bowl Tournament:** Make your best entry with any Salad Girl™ Dressing and any other ingredients, from fresh vegetables, salad greens, herbs and fruits to proteins and nuts. It can be in a bowl, or not.
- **Supreme Sourdough Bread Contest:** Made-from-scratch breads are the best! The spotlight is on sensational sourdough this year, and we’re on the lookout for the best sourdough bread bakers in the state!

In 1971, the competition department and category of Creative Activities debuted after formerly being known as Home Activities and Woman’s Activities. To mark this milestone of 50-plus years, we’ve installed a timeline in the Creative Activities Building of significant moments in the history of Creative Activities at the fair. Stop by to learn fun facts to impress your friends and family!

*Daily, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. (8 p.m. on Labor Day). Located in the Creative Activities Building, on the east side of Cosgrove Street just north of Dan Patch Avenue*

### **New Livestock and Agriculture Competitions**

A visit to the State Fair wouldn’t be complete without unforgettable encounters with farm animals and horses. This year, you’ll have even more opportunities to catch contests featuring some showing off by two-legged and four-legged participants, including runner ducks, cow and calf pairs, FFA youth, and miniature and walking horses.

- **The Running of the Ducks:** The aptly named runner ducks stand up tall on their webbed feet and run with speed and grace! As one portion of their judging at the State Fair this year, these ducks show off their technique in a large pen in an event we’re calling The Running of the Ducks, on Tuesday, Aug. 30, at 11 a.m., in the Poultry Barn.

- **Open Class Cow/Calf Supreme Competition:** In beef cattle breeds such as Angus, Charolais, Hereford, Limousin, Red Angus, Shorthorn, Simmental and ShorthornPlus, cow/calf pairs that have been named breed champions then compete for the title of Supreme Champion on Sunday, Sept. 4, at 7 p.m., in Compeer Arena.
- **FFA Agricultural Interactive Exhibit/Demonstration Competition:** Based on proposals submitted from FFA chapters and individuals from across the state, FFA youth have been selected to present an interactive exhibit or demonstrate a skill that is connected to a career pathway in agricultural education. Presentations take place Aug. 25 to Sept. 3 in the FFA Chapter House & Leadership Center; Sept. 4 features judging of the daily winners to determine the top awards.
- **More classes for Western Saddle Clubs Association (WSCA) Pleasure entries:** In Western Pleasure competition, the horse rather than the rider is judged on the performance of various gaits. Part of the Minnesota State Fair Horse Show, WSCA Pleasure competition takes place Sept. 1 and 2 in the Lee & Rose Warner Coliseum (competition times vary).
- **Miniature and Walking Horses compete:** Mini and walking horse breeds compete in various classes (categories) on Sept. 1 and 2 (competition times vary). Competitions for miniature and walking horses return as part of the Minnesota State Fair Horse Show after a few years absence.

*Dates and times vary for specific competitions and exhibitions. Located in the livestock complex area and the FFA Chapter House & Leadership Center*

### **History Walking Tour: 5 New Stops**

The History Walking Tour, a two-mile, 12-stop self-guided exploration of some of the State Fair's most historically significant spots, introduces five new additions to the tour:

- **One-Mile Track:** In 1885 when the State Fairgrounds moved to its now-permanent site, a one-mile dirt track was built for horse racing. In 1939, the one-mile track was replaced with a new half-mile track.
- **Plaza Bandstand:** In 1927, 17 years after it was constructed south of the Grandstand, the Plaza Bandstand featured John Philip Sousa and his band performing the "Minnesota March," composed at the request of University of Minnesota students and alumni.
- **Cattle Barn:** When planning for the new Cattle Barn, the goal was "not simply a mere cattle barn but a real exposition building," according to the State Fair board. Constructed in 1920-21, the barn can hold 1,000 head of cattle. As part of the World War II war effort, the building was converted to a manufacturing shop for military aircraft propellers. In 1947, the building was reconverted and held cattle once again.
- **Baldwin Park:** Over the years, this area has held Machinery Hall, poultry, Machinery Park, 4-H performances and high school bands. In 1983, it was renamed Baldwin Park, and a stage was built for daily entertainment.
- **Pets at the Fair:** The first dog bench shows were held from 1912 to 1916 and returned in 1930 to the Poultry Building. In 1972, dogs moved to the Dog Exhibit building west of the Grandstand. In 1991, the Pet Center on the north end of the fairgrounds opened for purebred dog breeder exhibitions, commercial displays, veterinary groups and more. The current Pet Pavilions opened in 2018.

Pick up a tour brochure at any tour stop on the fairgrounds, the J.V. Bailey House or the History & Heritage Center. Visit at least eight of the 12 stops and collect a prize! Free with fair admission. (See brochure for details.) The History Walking Tour is supported by the Minnesota State Fair Foundation and the Minnesota Historical Society.

## Minnesota State Fair Foundation's 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

From the sidewalks beneath us to the Grandstand marquee lights above – and benches, buildings, premium awards and programs in between – the impact of the Minnesota State Fair Foundation surrounds every fair guest's experience at the Great Minnesota Get-Together. Through the support of Friends of the Fair members, special project and program donors, volunteers and fundraising event guests, the Foundation has granted more than \$16 million in high-impact priority areas since 2002.

Here is a handful of project and program highlights:

- **Agricultural Education:** Robert A. Christensen Pavilion, CHS Miracle of Birth Center, Moo Booth, youth scholarships and more
- **Arts and Culture:** Arts A'Fair, Joyful World Mural Park, Commemorative Art, The Sioux Chef® Presents the Indigenous Food Lab at Dan Patch Park, and the list goes on
- **Education:** Cambria Kitchen in the Creative Activities Building, Alphabet Forest, Math On-A-Stick and Bee programming, among other projects
- **Fairgrounds Environment:** Seating and plazas, trees, Grandstand marquee and elevator, sidewalk replacement and recycling at the fair, to name just a few
- **History and Heritage:** Streetcar Arch restoration, History & Heritage Center, Lee & Rose Warner Coliseum, State Fair History Walking Tour and more

Please visit [msffoundation.org](http://msffoundation.org) to learn more about the Foundation's accomplishments, read donor stories, and join the Foundation in supporting our beloved State Fair. Or, when you come to the fair, visit us at the Friends of the Fair Tent just outside the J.V. Bailey House.

## Unique Gifts & Specialty Items – 11 New Vendors

- **Akua's Boutique:** Jewelry boxes, hats, baskets, animal figurines, bags, mats
- **BrainyAct by Kinuu:** Tech-enabled therapy games for neurological disorders such as autism, Aspergers, dyslexia and ADHD
- **Ecuador Manta:** Native handmade apparel, accessories and musical instruments from Ecuador and Peru, plus music CDs
- **GiftyWrap:** Wrapping paper that is inclusive of all cultures and Midwestern
- **Medieval Mapmaker:** Hand-drawn maps of Minnesota and U.S. destinations, plus countries, history, war, science and other topics
- **Must be Ruff:** Fresh-baked gourmet dog treats
- **Native Roots Trading:** Native-made soaps, wild rice, calendars, cards, candles, paintings, apparel, beadwork, blankets and more
- **Pet Memorial:** Frames, jewelry, angels, remembrance items, special-occasion dog toys
- **Seventh Sojourn:** Soaps, deodorant, lip balm, oils, bath balls, mustache wax, migraine relief, muscle rub
- **Show Stopper Equipment by Vittetoe Inc.:** Show livestock grooming supplies and equipment
- **Sweetpea and Co.:** Children's clothing, bibs, toys, paper goods and nursery art

## Handcrafted Home & Garden Décor – 9 New Vendors

- **Edward Michael Fine Art:** Original paintings made with Texas tar gold, silver, crushed diamonds and natural paint pigment
- **Flagpole Farm:** Telescoping residential flags, flagpoles and solar lights for flagpoles
- **Flutter Gallery:** Handcrafted botanical and butterfly gifts, including GLOW butterfly clips and magnets, pins, art prints, greeting cards, garden stakes and sculptures
- **G.O.C. Rocks:** Engraved rocks and planters for indoor and outdoor home décor
- **Stone & Steel Design:** Pre-engraved stones and custom-order engravables
- **Tonka Bay Fountains:** Custom hand-carved natural stone fountains, vases, wine chillers, wine bottle holders and planters



- **Time Vault Treasures:** Vinyl record art and functional vinyl record clocks
- **Uncommon USA:** Telescoping flagpoles, flags, solar light kits, flagpole accessories
- **Zen Exit Records:** Art made from old vinyl records

#### Foodie Fun – 5 New Vendors

- **Board in the Kitchen:** Solid-surface cutting boards, flight-tasting boards, serving trays and more for kitchen and bar
- **Emmy & J Gourmet:** Handmade gourmet dip mixes, pashmina scarves, ponchos, sundresses and more
- **Faxon Farms Pure Maple Syrup:** All-natural pure maple syrup, maple sugar, maple cream and maple sugar candy
- **Nordic Ware:** Made-in-Minnesota cookware and bakeware
- **Urban Chemist:** Fast Mary's Bloody Mary Enhancers and Fast Mary's Rim Dip

#### Sports & Outdoors – 10 New Vendors

- **Chill-N-Reel:** Drink insulators you can fish with, plus hats, shirts, hoodies and stickers
- **Dollar Hobbyz:** Remote-control cars, trucks, boats and drones
- **Ecofun Motorsports:** Electric bikes, scooters, dirt bikes, ATVs, UTVs, golf carts, go karts and accessories
- **Escape Climbing:** Custom and pre-made climbing wall panels, shirts, hats and climbing chalk bags
- **Pickleball Crush:** Pickleball-themed T-shirts, sweatshirts, caps, coasters, towels, jewelry, drinkware, signs, keychains and more
- **Sanborn Canoe:** Canoes, T-shirts, sweatshirts and hats
- **Travel Resorts of the Midwest:** Promoting campgrounds in Minnesota and South Dakota
- **Version1/Minnesota Rokkr:** Esports teams showing replays of past events and selling logo hoodies, long-sleeve tees, joggers
- **Wave Armor:** Minnesota-made floating docks and pontoon and personal watercraft docking ports
- **Wings North:** Outdoor recreation packages, including bird hunt, stay & play and sporting clay & trap

#### Threads & Accessories – 5 New Vendors

- **Double B Wild Rags:** Scarves, scrunchies, headbands, jewelry, caps, pillowcases, T-shirts and more
- **Joycoast:** Wooden sunglasses, watches, rings, tumblers, travel mugs and more
- **The Minnesotan:** T-shirts, sweatshirts, hats and caps for adults and children celebrating heritage, culture and tradition
- **Passeri Footwear:** Handmade artisanal shoes, boots and slippers
- **Shippy Chic:** Tote bags made from vintage repurposed fabrics and bags made from one long zipper

#### In the Community – 7 New Vendors

- **Be the Match:** Information about marrow donation and the organization's mission
- **CareAparent:** Comprehensive home health services for seniors in the Twin Cities
- **Education Law Advocacy Project – Southern Minnesota Regional Legal Services:** Information on free, legal aid to Minnesota students and families with low income dealing with school-related issues
- **Minnesota African American Heritage Museum & Gallery:** Display showing the accomplishments and achievements of African Americans in Minnesota, 1800-1950
- **Minnesota Department of Corrections:** Information on career opportunities and work to transform lives for a safer Minnesota

- **Minnesota Hemp Growers Cooperative:** Educational materials on hemp products, including building materials, textiles, nutrition/wellness; and information on the agricultural and manufacturing process (no retail sales)
- **Minnesota RETAIN Program:** Information to help workers stay at or return to work when an injury or illness impacts employment

### Home Solutions – 6 New Vendors

- **Builders and Remodelers:** Windows, doors, siding, roofing and decks
- **Garage Force:** Polyurea concrete floor coatings
- **Insulights.com:** Flashing electric fence insulator that eliminates the need for manual electric fence testing
- **Junk King:** Full-service junk removal company servicing the Twin Cities
- **Pinnacle Climate Technologies:** Heat Hog portable propane heaters
- **Wallenstein Equipment:** Light forestry and lawncare products, including wood splitters, wood chippers, firewood processors

*For more information and a complete list of vendors at the 2022 State Fair, use the Fair Finder available in mid-August at [mnstatefair.org/fair-finder/shops/](https://mnstatefair.org/fair-finder/shops/).*

### Updated Fair Hours

These last two years have given us the opportunity to evaluate our entire operation and determine how best to improve the fair experience for our guests, staff, vendors and all who work to present the Great Minnesota Get-Together. With this in mind, the fairgrounds hours have been updated for 2022.

- **Fairgrounds Admission:** 7 a.m. to 9 p.m.; 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Labor Day
- **Fairgrounds Hours:** 7 a.m. to 11 p.m.; 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. on Labor Day
- **Online Ticket Sales Fair Time:** 6 a.m. to 8 p.m.; 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Labor Day
- **Gate Ticket Sales Fair Time:** Tickets will be sold at the gates during the Fairgrounds Admission times, 7 a.m. to 9 p.m.; 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Labor Day

For a complete list of hours for fair buildings, guest services, barns and rides & attractions, visit [mnstatefair.org/general-info/hours-of-operation/](https://mnstatefair.org/general-info/hours-of-operation/)

**Visit [mnstatefair.org](https://mnstatefair.org) for more information and photos of the 2022 New Attractions.**