

Venue

MINNESOTA DISCOVERY CENTER



An ideal setting offering breathtaking views of historic landscapes, sophisticated indoor spaces, delicious catering options, and the potential to create unforgettable experiences.

Discover

The Minnesota Discovery Center is the top event hosting venue in northeastern Minnesota. Built on reclaimed mineland, MDC is located in Chisholm, the heart of the Iron Range. Within the state, it is the largest museum and cultural complex north of the Twin Cities. Blending history, nature, and recreation, this truly unique venue will bring your event to life.



Catering

Our experienced culinary team will craft a delicious dining experience with savory dishes, sweet desserts, and signature cocktails for your event. Book a private tasting to discover the perfect breakfast, lunch, dinner, desserts, hors d'oeuvres, drinks, and late night snacks for your menu.



BOOK A PERSONAL TROLLEY CHARTER!



Pricing

VENUES

Venues can be booked on either “prime” days or “non-prime” days. Prime days—that is, our most popular venue booking days—are Thursdays through Saturdays. Non-prime days are Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Below, prime day pricing is in regular font, and non-prime day pricing is in bold font. Additionally, nonprofits receive a 20% discount when booking their venue. We look forward to working with you!

AMPHITHEATER—\$3,000/**\$2,000**

Seats are fixed and fit 1,600 people.

PAVILION—\$1,500/**\$1,250**

Round tables seat 245 people

Rectangle tables seat 260 people

Classroom-style seating fits 70 people

Theater-style seating fits 300 people

TACONITE SQUARE—\$750/**\$500**

Round tables seat 170 people

Rectangle tables seat 180 people

U-shaped tables seat 40 people

Classroom-style seating fits 48 people

Theater-style seating fits 200 people

DINING ROOM—\$300/**\$250**

Restaurant-style seating fits 82 people

U-shaped tables seat 20 people

Classroom-style seating fits 30 people

THEATER—\$300

Seats are fixed and fit 148 people

(Note: If you book the theater as an add-on to your main venue, the fee is only \$150.)

RESEARCH CENTER—\$200

U-shaped tables seat 20 people

Classroom-style seating fits 30 people

(Note: If a \$400 catering minimum is met, the venue rental fee is not required.)

CREATIVE LAB—\$150

Conference table seats 12 people

(Note: If a \$400 catering minimum is met, the venue rental fee is not required.)

FOOD COURT—\$100

Our existing seating fits 110 people

THE WILLOW—\$550

Ceremony-style seating fits 300 people

(Note: See our wedding packet for more details!)

THE GAZEBO—\$500

Ceremony-style seating fits 100 people

(Note: See our wedding packet for more details!)

FROM A VALUED GUEST...

Your team demonstrated an outstanding level of professionalism and dedication, especially when we had some last-minute needs. They worked tirelessly to ensure everything was taken care of promptly and without a hitch. Their commitment to excellence truly made a difference, and we couldn't be more grateful for their efforts.

I must also commend the kitchen team for the delectable spread they prepared for us. Every dish was not only delicious but also beautifully presented. It added a special touch to our celebration, and our guests were thoroughly impressed.

-Michelle Morrison
Hoover Construction