

Minnesota River History Weekend and Minnesota State Water Trails

50th Anniversary
May 17, 18 & 19 2013

Friday

- 6:30 – 9:00pm **Minnesota River History Exhibit Reception and Artist Talk with Dakota Author Gwen Westerman** at the [KK Berge Building](#) – Granite Area Arts Council
- 7:00 pm **[River Revival: Working Together to Save the Minnesota River Video](#)** with producers John Hickman and Jon Carlson at [City Hall](#).
- 8:00 pm **[Minnesota State Water Trails: Making History for 50 Years](#)** with Erik Wrede, MN DNR Water Trails Coordinator and special guest Paul Ryberg at [City Hall](#).
- 8:45 pm **[Paddling from Minneapolis to the Hudson Bay](#)** with Natalie Warren at [City Hall](#)
- 9:30 pm **[Reconnecting the Minnesota River](#)** – Luther Aadland, MN DNR at [City Hall](#)

Saturday

- 8 am **Registration for ALL Event Paddlers** ([Walking Bridge Plaza](#))
Minnesota River History Exhibit Reception continues at [KK Berge Building](#)
- 10 am **Festival – Welcome** ([KK Berge Plaza](#) – near walking bridge) Emcee – Duane Ninneman - CURE, Dave Smiglewski - Mayor of Granite Falls, Dakota Community Representative, Erika Rivers – Assistant Commissioner of Natural Resources, Jenn Hoffman – CURE Board Chair, Natalie Warren – Wild River Academy.
- 11:15 am **Paddling Theatre – Act I** ([downtown Granite Falls](#)) \$10 in advance or \$15 on-site upon availability – cost applies to ALL Paddling Theater participants – [please pre-register](#).
- 11:35 am **[Voyageur Canoe Paddlers](#)** board busses - SS Paddlers in their own vehicles ([KK Berge Bldg](#))
- 11:15 am – 5pm Paddling Theatre in flights of 3 groups – SS paddlers on their own in [Memorial Park](#). Shuttle will be provided from [Confluence](#) back to [Memorial Park](#) and Event Parking areas
- 5:00 pm **[Memorial Park](#)** – Food Vendor Bootleggers Supper Club
- 6:00 pm **Music by – Hey Lonesome**
- 7:45 pm Break – reset for the next group
- 8:15 pm **Music by – Brian Laidlaw & the Family Trade**
- 10:30 pm End the evening

Sunday

- 10:00 am Self-organized paddling on the Chippewa River, Hawk Creek, Minnesota River and Yellow Medicine River – meet at [Memorial Park](#)

For reservations please visit WWW.WILDERNESSINQUIRY.ORG/CURE or contact Dixie at the CURE Office - 1-877-269-2873