



Featuring the 2008 Minnesota Waters Awards

Minnesota Waters envisions an engaged citizenry working to protect and restore Minnesota's irreplaceable natural assets - our clean and healthy lakes and streams - for current and future generations.

Towards that end, our mission is to promote responsible stewardship of our water resources by engaging citizens, local and state policymakers, and other partners in the protection and restoration of Minnesota's lakes and rivers.

The funds raised from RiverNight 2008 support Minnesota Waters' lake and river conservation work across the state. Current projects include starting new citizen-led lake and river groups; training hundreds of citizens to be qualified water quality monitors; providing capacity-building education and support to citizen groups across the state; pushing for more protective shoreland management rules statewide through the DNR, and locally through citizen groups; and working at the state and local levels to combat aquatic invasive species.

Minnesota Waters' new Executive Director, Marian Bender, will be on hand to meet supporters and share her vision for the organization's future.

Minnesota Waters is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization and \$100 of every ticket purchase price is tax-deductible.



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You're Invited...

RiverNight 2008




a minnesota waters celebration

You are cordially invited to Minnesota Water's RiverNight 2008

2008 Award Winners

Each year, Minnesota Waters honors individuals and groups who embody our value of citizen engagement in saving our state's lakes and rivers. Please join us for RiverNight 2008 to celebrate these hard-working heroes:



Lake Association of the Year sponsored by RMB Environmental Laboratories

Lone Lake Property Owners Association



River Friendly Community sponsored by Wenck Associates, Inc.

The City of Dawson, Minnesota



Citizen Monitoring Program of the Year sponsored by HDR

Flute Reed River Partnership



Volunteer of the Year sponsored by Barr Engineering

James Lauer

Each award winner receives \$1,000 and an award plaque.

Where: Harriet Island, St. Paul, MN

When: Wednesday, August 13, 4-9 pm

4:00 pm Awards Presentation aboard the Centennial showboat (*docked at Harriet Island*)

Guest Speaker: Kerri Miller, host of MPR's *MidMorning*.

5:30 pm Guests board the Betsey Northrup riverboat (*also docked at Harriet Island*) for a three-hour cruise down the beautiful Mississippi River, featuring substantial hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar (*beer sponsored by Michelob Golden Draft Light*).

6:00 pm Riverboat departs Harriet Island.

9:00 pm Riverboat returns to Harriet Island.

RSVP by August 6, 2008

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Please RSVP by Wednesday, August 6, 2008. Complete this card and return with your payment in the envelope provided. Make checks payable to **Minnesota Waters**.

TICKETS: \$125/person

I/we will attend, number attending: _____. I/we cannot attend.

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\$1000 \$500 \$250 \$100 Other: _____

Name: _____

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