

OUR STORY



2013: Arms Around the Armory, a community wide effort to present the Center to Minnesota House and Senate Members involved in the bonding project.

2014: In Spring of 2014, Senator Rod Skoe, with the Minnesota Legislature approved \$2.5 million in bonding for the Upper Mississippi Center for the Arts.

2016: In March 2016, the Park Rapids Economic Development Authority approved forwarding the necessary bonding agreement documents to the state.

2020: The City of Park Rapids purchased the Armory in May of 2020 through a grant provided by the state of MN.



OUR MISSION

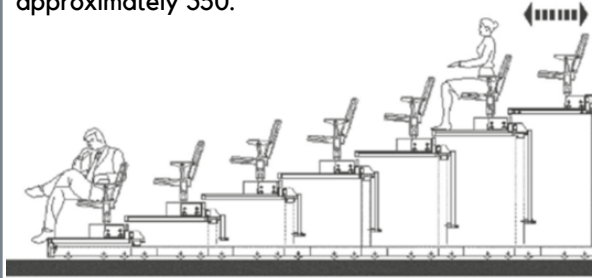
The Armory will enrich the lives of all residents and contribute to the quality of life and vitality of the entire community.

"The arts and culture are powerful tools with which to engage communities in various levels of change. They are a means to public dialogue, contribute to the development of a community's creative learning, create healthy communities capable of action, provide a powerful tool for community mobilization and activism, and help build community capacity and leadership."
Creative City Network of Canada



VISION FOR THE FUTURE

There are still a number of capital improvements the Armory Arts & Events Center Board intends to make. The most urgent need is the installation of telescopic seating on the main event floor to increase versatility and venue seating capacity to approximately 350.



The new renovation will add 350 new seats to the main floor.

DONATIONS

We are currently seeking community support to fund various projects. We are asking businesses or individuals for a donation starting at \$500 per seat for the retractable seating project. With generous community contributions, we will be able to improve the venue that will enrich our community for many years to come.

If you're interested in donating to The Armory Arts & Events Center, please visit parkrapidsarmory.org or call us at (218)237-3722.



VENUE INFORMATION

The Armory Arts & Events Center is the place to be for your next event or meeting, an enticing venue to keep your attendees engaged and entertained. The Armory is located in the heart of Park Rapids and plays a vital role in our economy.

The Armory hosts several arts events throughout the year. On the main floor, there is an auditorium and a catering kitchen. On the lower level there is a display area. There are also four classroom-sized studios on the second floor. Used together or separately, the Armory is a great venue for:

- Annual meetings
- Exhibits
- Banquets
- Class reunions
- Dinner theater
- Parties
- Recitals
- Receptions
- Seasonal celebrations
- Trade shows





GET INVOLVED

You can play a critical role in contributing to the success of the Armory Arts & Events Center in our community. You can't do it by "sitting on the bench." This is your facility in your community. Visit our website or call us to learn about volunteer opportunities.



***Come View It Yourself and See Why
Having Your Next Event With Us Will Be
Amazing!***



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