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## September Tour Highlights

This is a [“Take Me to the River”](#) Event

Friday, September 27th from 10am to 3:30pm

Meet at the Stillwater Trolley Stand  
400 Nelson Street South  
Stillwater, MN 55082  
Public Parking Lot Available

All tours are accompanied by Heather Rutledge, Executive Director of ArtReach St. Croix. Along with her wit and knowledge of “all things creative”, Heather will ensure we have fun and learn a little something along the way!

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- ≈ Your first stop is the **NEW** [Judd Street Exchange](#) artist studio in downtown Marine on the St Croix. Meet and chat with gallery owner and artist [Mary Jo Van Dell](#), a contemporary oil painter who also loves the outdoors. Meander this beautiful space filled with Mary Jo’s paintings alongside art work by other Croix Valley artists. This gallery is used to EXCHANGE ideas, talents, and creativity.
- ≈ Just next door, we will walk to the [St Croix Chocolate Company](#) and sample the most beautiful (almost too pretty to eat) handmade truffles and maybe purchase a few to share! We will pair your bite of chocolate with a valley wine sample.
- ≈ Off we go to Shafer to meet [Peter Jadoonath](#), potter extraordinaire whose pieces are grounded squarely at the intersection of volume, mass, elegance, and utility. Meet Peter, enjoy his sense of humor, his pottery studio, and peruse his works of art.
- ≈ Time to get some exercise! Enjoy 43 acres of [Franconia Sculpture Park](#) with an artist lead private tour. Afterwards we enjoy our locally sourced lunch and a glass of wine while being surrounded by these massive and unique works of art.
- ≈ A tour to this area wouldn’t be complete without a stop at [Guillermo Cuellars Pottery](#) shop and his beautiful property. Born in Venezuela, Guillermo moved to the St Croix Valley in 2005 and the rest is history. His renowned pottery and ability to make you feel like one of the family will ensure our time with Guillermo is fascinating, fun, and festive! We’ll toast a glass of Venezuelan Tempranillo with Guillermo!



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