



MUSIC & ARTS SERIES

—AT HAMLINE CHURCH—

SEASON 2026-2027

SEASON KICKOFF WITH MONROE CROSSING

Sunday, September 20, 2026 at 10:00am

Kick off the fall season with the Minnesota Music Hall of Fame bluegrass band Monroe Crossing. This lively outdoor concert brings together tight harmonies, driving bluegrass rhythms, and plenty of good-time energy. Enjoy great music, food, games, and fun for all ages. *Freewill offering.*

FULL OF MYSELF | AUSTIN CHANNING BROWN

Thursday, September 24, 2026 at 6:00pm

Bestselling author and speaker Austin Channing Brown—whose work explores racial justice, Black dignity, and Black womanhood, and award-winning author and scholar Christina Cleveland—whose work centers Black liberation, sacred Black femininity, and embodied justice, lead an evening of reflection, conversation, and celebration. Signed books will be available for purchase. *Free.*

HARMONY FOR HUMANITY

Sunday, November 1, 2026 at 6:00pm

Choirs and singers from across Minnesota gather for a special interfaith celebration of music, unity, compassion, and peace. Speakers from diverse faith communities will help create space for reflection and connection across religious traditions. This special event will raise funds for Neighborhood House, a nonprofit serving local immigrants and refugees. A reception will follow the performance. *Freewill offering.*

FICTION & FAITH

Saturday, November 14, 2026 at 7:00pm

Spend an evening with three acclaimed Minnesota authors: award-winning young adult author Heather Bouwman, publisher and suspense novelist Andrew DeYoung, and New York Times bestselling author Kent Krueger. They'll share readings from their work and discuss the ways faith intersects with their writing and creative lives. Book signing and reception to follow. *Freewill offering.*

A SEASON OF LIGHT

Sunday, December 6, 2026 at 4:00pm

Hamline University's A Cappella Choir continues the beloved tradition of its candlelit Christmas concert, filling the season with beautiful choral music, warmth, and light. *Freewill offering.*

CHRISTMASTIME IS HERE!

Sunday, December 13, 2026 at 4:00pm

Capture the spirit of the season in a festive, large-scale cabaret featuring the Walter Tambor Trio, vocal soloists, chorus, and more. An afternoon of beloved Christmas music, jazz, storytelling, and holiday surprises will bring the season to life in a celebration for the whole family.

Tickets: \$20 adults, \$5 students, or pay as able.

CHRISTMAS WITH CANTUS

Friday, December 18, 2026 at 2:00pm

This season, Cantus weaves together three holiday stories with time-honored carols and new classics. Blending narration and song, the program features Margery Williams' *The Velveteen Rabbit* and *The Polar Express* by Chris Van Allsburg alongside an abridged romp through Pyotr Tchaikovsky's *The Nutcracker*. Tickets available at cantussings.org.

COMMUNITY ART SHOW

Saturday, February 6, 2027 at 7:00pm

Join us for an evening celebrating local art and creativity, featuring a fine art exhibition, live jazz, art-making activities for children of all ages, and specially curated refreshments. Local artwork will be available for purchase. *Freewill offering.*

ICEBOUND NIGHT

Sunday, March 7, 2027 at 4:00pm

Kyu-Young Kim, violinist and Artistic and Executive Director of the Schubert Club; Pitnarry Shin, cellist with the Minnesota Orchestra; and Sarah Miller, pianist and composer at MacPhail Center for Music, come together for an evocative chamber music recital featuring the world premiere of Miller's *Icebound Night*, written in response to the Twin Cities' resilience in the face of Operation Metro Surge. Tickets \$20 adults, \$5 students, or pay as able.

MEDIEVAL MYSTERY PLAYS

March 2027, Dates TBD

Experience one of the earliest forms of English theatre through selected plays from the *York Cycle*, a collection of medieval mystery plays originating in 14th-century England. Brought to life through text, movement, and music, these remarkable works offer a glimpse into the theatrical and spiritual world of medieval England. Preceded by a lecture led by director and dramaturg Carey Morrison. Tickets \$20 adults, \$5 students, or pay as able.

BEETHOVEN'S CHORAL FANTASY

Sunday, May 2, 2027 at 4:00pm

Mark the 200th anniversary of Beethoven's death with a special performance of his monumental *Choral Fantasy*, featuring concert pianist Richard Tostensen, vocal soloists, festival chorus, and orchestra under the direction of David Kozisek. The program also features Brahms' sublime *Schicksalslied* and Beethoven's *Piano Sonata No. 31 in Ab major, Op. 110*. Tickets \$20 adults, \$5 students, or pay as able.

The Music and Arts Series presents exceptional experiences across a range of mediums and genres—including instrumental, choral, musical theatre, R&B, bluegrass, fine arts and dance—to enrich the Hamline Midway neighborhood and the Twin Cities community. Support the series by attending, volunteering, or making a financial contribution. Contact Artistic Director Dr. David Kozisek for more information (dkozisek@hamlinechurch.org).

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