

# University of Minnesota Rochester

### 2024 Parent & Family Weekend Schedule

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If you are looking for hotel accommodations for the weekend, we suggest the following hotels in downtown Rochester:

Rochester Marriott
Kahler Grand
Hilton Garden Inn
Hotel Indigo

MGear Bookstore at University Square will be open on Friday, October 4, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. and Saturday, October 14, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Families attending will receive a 15% discount coupon for the bookstore!

#### Friday, October 4, 2024

6:30 - 8 p.m. | Pizza & Puzzles

Join us for a family puzzle competition night (1000 pieces) at USQ Room 417. The winning family will get a prize. We are also ordering pizza from <a href="Pasquale's Neighborhood Pizzeria">Pasquale's Neighborhood Pizzeria</a> for refreshment.

University Square 4th Floor Galleria at University Square, 111 Broadway Ave S, Rochester, MN 55904

#### Saturday, October 5, 2024

10 a.m. | Welcome Brunch

Check-in, Brunch & Welcome from Chancellor

10:30 - 11:30 a.m. | UMR Faculty-led Last Lecture Presentation

Faculty: Dr. Amy Collins

Title: Spark Birds: How a College General Education Course

Unexpectedly Changed My Life

**Description**: A tradition at many universities, the "last lecture" is an opportunity for a faculty member to contemplate a topic they deeply care about and share the wisdom they would impart if they knew it was their last

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opportunity to do so. In preparation for this talk, Dr. Collins reflected on the most meaningful class she took in college (ZOOL 341: Ornithology, at Ohio Wesleyan University) and how lessons learned in that class have continued to shape her life ever since. She will share some fun facts about birds in addition to advice about joy, passion, kindness, and change.

Lunch on your own. Explore downtown Rochester and enjoy local restaurants.

#### 11:30 a.m. - 2 p.m. | The Hub

<u>Grand opening!</u> Stop by anytime between 11:30 a.m. - 2 p.m. to learn about off-campus opportunities for study abroad, internships, student research, and more! Join us for snacks, games, and conversations with students and staff facilitating your next adventure. **RSVP is not needed.** 

# University Square 3rd Floor

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#### 1 - 2:30 p.m. | Family Art Project

Local artist <u>Amy Krause</u> will lead a make-and-share affirmation jar activity using the decoupage technique. The attendees will get to keep the decorated jars as keepsakes. <u>Limited Spots: 25 families</u>

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#### OR

#### 1 - 2:30 p.m. | Rochester Historic Trolley Tour

Enjoy a guided trolley tour of Rochester and all the beautiful historical landmarks. The tour is 90 min long. Limited Spots: 60 people

# Trolley pick-up location: Student Life Center

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## 5 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. | Magician Mentalist & Nupa Mediterranean Dinner

Join us at the Historic Chateau Theatre for an amazing magic + mind reading show by Noah Sonie. Noah is a magician and mentalist based out of Minneapolis, MN. This will be a family-friendly show. Dinner will be provided (Nupa Mediterranean).

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#### Explore on your own in Rochester

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Events in Downtown Rochester

Sekapp Apple Orchard

Quarry Hill Nature Center

Rochester Art Center