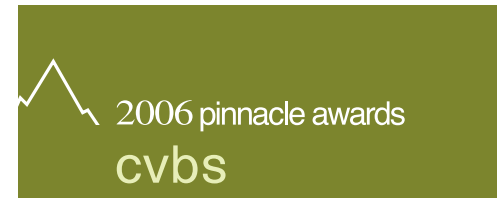


area group amenities **8** quality/availability of information **8**  
quality/variety of services & facilities **8** service/responsiveness of staff **9**



## MINNESOTA

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### 11 TIME WINNER

Groups embrace The City of Lakes for its vivacious feel and booming business scene.

#### AT WORK

Planners will find more than 1.4 million square feet of meeting and exhibit space at the Minneapolis Convention Center. Among the facility's options are 500,000 square feet of exhibit space; 93 meeting rooms; two expansive ballrooms; and a unique 3,400-fixed-seat auditorium. This signature space can be used as one large hall, or three raised sections can be rotated to create four separate learning centers.

#### AT REST

The Minneapolis/St. Paul area is home to 30,000-plus hotel rooms. Downtown Minneapolis alone boasts more than 5,500 committable rooms, with 3,500 attached to the Minneapolis Convention Center and various other attractions via climate-controlled skyway.



#### AT PLAY

Minneapolis/St. Paul's unique skyway system makes it easy for attendees to shop, and dine, and theater-hop all year long. Boasting more theater seats per capita than any other U.S. city outside New York, the Minneapolis performing arts scene should not be missed. The area is also home to 57 distinct museums and the Mall of America. And they don't call this town the City of Lakes for nothing: The area's Chain of Lakes offers a multitude of outdoor recreational activities.

#### AT THE TABLE

Spanning nearly 30 blocks, the Warehouse District is the center of the city's dining and nightlife. Other hot spots include the Mississippi Riverfront District, the dynamic Uptown area, and Nicollet Avenue, more commonly known as "Eat Street."

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