



ARTS & CULTURE

IN HOUSTON COUNTY, MINN.

Proactive libraries, community theaters, art galleries, music festivals, and loads of historic resources help make Houston County a haven for creativity and curiosity.



HISTORICAL LOCATIONS

[Caledonia Historic Walking Tour](#)
Downtown Caledonia

[Church of the Holy Comforter, Episcopal](#)
Main St., Brownsville
Open by appointment only, care of the Houston County Historical Society: (507) 725-3884.

[Christian Bunge Jr. Store Museum](#)
Main St., Eitzen
Open annually during Eitzen July 4th activities, or by appointment only, care of the Houston County Historical Society: (507) 725-3884.

[Giants of the Earth Heritage Center](#)
163 W. Main, Spring Grove
(507) 498-5070

[Hokah Municipal Building](#)
Main St., Hokah
Art deco-style, two-story reinforced concrete building built in 1938 through the Works Progress Admin. (WPA), listed on Nat'l Register of Historic Places. Currently houses Hokah City Library in basement.

[Houston County Historical Society](#)
104 S. History Ln, Caledonia
(507) 725-3884

[Houston County History Hunt](#)
County-wide self-led scavenger hunt. Print your guidebook and map from website, or pick up from any Houston County library.

[La Crescent Historical Society](#)
328 S. 3rd, La Crescent
(507) 895-1857

[La Crescent Old Hickory Ball Field](#)
La Crescent
(507) 895-2595
Home of the Vintage Base Ball team, the Apple Jacks

[Initial Survey Point MN-IA State Line](#)
Pool Hill Dr/County Rd 2, MN/IA Border
Originally surveyed in 1852, this replica & interpretive kiosk was dedicated in 2010.

[Portland Prairie Methodist Episcopal Church](#)
Portland Prairie Road, Eitzen

[Schech's Mill](#)
W Beaver Rd, Caledonia
(507) 896-3481
Open for tours on weekends May through October, and by appointment.

ARTS & CRAFTS

[Annual Bluff Country Studio Art Tour \(end of April\)](#)

[Bluff Country Artists Gallery](#)
111 W. Main, Spring Grove
(507) 498-2787

[Crystal Creek Citizen-Artist Residency](#)
Houston
An annual program that hosts three artists, individually, for week-long residencies during the months of June, July and August.

[Gallery M / Janet Mootz Photo](#)
33 S. Walnut St., #140, La Crescent
(608) 792-2382

[Just Stitch It / Meisch Upholstery](#)
14574 Cty Rd 12, Caledonia
(507) 725-2708

[Houston Public Library](#)
202 E. Cedar, Houston
(507) 896-7323

[Houston Nature Center](#)
215 W. Plum, Houston
(507) 896-4668

[International Owl Center](#)
126 E. Cedar, Houston
(507) 896-6957

[KARST Driftless Guidepost](#)
111 E. Cedar, Houston

[La Crescent Public Library](#)
321 Main, La Crescent
(507) 895-4047

[Mound Prairie Scientific and Natural Area \(SNA\)](#)
Houston area
(651) 259-5800

[Norwegian Ridge Language & Culture Camp](#)
163 W. Main, Spring Grove
(507) 498-2267
Annual week-long day camp for children and teens, centered around the Norwegian culture & language. Held in June.

[Spring Grove Public Library](#)
172 W. Main, Spring Grove
(507) 498-5800

EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES & LIBRARIES

[Brownsville Wildlife Overlook](#)
14286 Great River Rd, Brownsville
Tundra Swan viewing point, Oct.-Nov.

[Caledonia Public Library](#)
231 E. Main, Caledonia
(507) 725-2671

[Hokah Public Library](#)
57 Main, Hokah
(507) 894-2665

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THEATERS

[Appleseed Community Theatre](#)
1301 Lancer Blvd, La Crescent

[Spring Grove Cinema](#)
167 W. Main, Spring Grove
(507) 498-1234

[Ye Olde Opera House](#)
155 W. Main, Spring Grove
(507) 498-5859

[Ye Olde Gray Barn](#)
Hwy 44, Spring Grove
(507) 498-5859

MUSIC

[Apollo Chamber Music Festival](#)
Annual chamber music festival; concerts take place at Cross of Christ Lutheran Church in Houston.
210 S. Chase St., Houston

[Caledonia Summer Music in the Park](#)
Tuesday nights from mid-June ending on National Night Out, the first Tuesday in August.
Gazebo Park, Caledonia

[Houston Summer Music in the Park Series](#)
Weekly summer music series.
Trailhead Park Bandshell, Houston

[Southeast Minnesota Bluegrass Festival](#)
Bluegrass festival that takes place twice each year, in May and August.
Cushon's Peak Campground, Houston

[Spring Grove Summer Music in the Park Series](#)
Eight weeks of summer music in the park, begins the first week of June each year.
Viking Memorial Park, Spring Grove

[SubOctave Electronic Music Festival](#)
Annual electronic music festival.
Outback Ranch, Houston