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ATTENTION! MUSIC & HISTORY BUFFS!

Northfield, MN, July 2010 - From the shoot-'em-up Defeat of Jesse James Days to a Vintage Band Music Festival, HISTORY comes alive in Northfield this summer! Check out Northfield's latest quarterly [Visitor Guide](#) (July-Sept.) for events you won't want to miss! Mark them down — here's our top list:

- **Northfield Noontime Organ Recitals, Wednesdays, July 7-August 11.** Relish the magnificent acoustics of powerful pipes accompanied by a variety of instruments throughout this six-week event. Find an itinerary of the noontime recitals [here](#).
- **Vintage Band Music Festival, Aug 5-8** is a sight to be seen and heard as modern-day "vintage" bands recreate important eras not to be forgotten in music history. A variety of musical compositions and styles from 25 U.S. and European bands with more than 100 concerts will be performed, many in vintage, ethnic dress using authentic, period instruments for the grand event. The whole town will become the venue with performances at churches, parks, concert halls and strolling street performers through Northfield's historic downtown. Paul Niemisto, artistic director, promises the multi-cultural experience will be "absolutely unique" as musicians recreate old music "new to the modern ear." Prelude podcasts can be heard on [KYMN Radio](#) and a full itinerary can be found [here](#).
www.vintagebandfestival.org.
- **Vintage "Base Ball", Aug 7 and 21** America's favorite past time is in full swing this summer — Northfield style, using the original 1860's Knickerbocker Rules, of course! Come see the Northfield Knights play authentic baseball on an open grass field, using old-style equipment (like no gloves). Players catch a ball on the bounce and the batter is out. Watch a striker with a nice daisy cut get an ace. More information is available at www.northfieldhistory.org.

- **Romeo and Juliet, Aug 6-8, 12-14** Literary history plays out its intensity in this unforgettable classic tale of young love and untimely tragedy. Experience this outdoor theater performance on a warm summer evening under a blanket of stars in Central Park. Tickets: www.northfieldartsguild.org
- **Bridge Chamber Music Festival, Aug 15, 19 and 22** Masterful musicians recreate the works of notable composers in world history dating back to the 19th and 20th centuries. “It’s all the drama and passion of the symphony, but much more intimate.” according to David Carter, cellist and artistic director of the Bridge Chamber Music Festival. Concert venues are at various concert halls and studios at St. Olaf and Carleton College. There’s also a Young Artist Recital on Aug 17. Find the festival’s schedule at www.bridgechamber.org.
- **Defeat of Jesse James Days, Sept 8-12** - Northfield is where the James-Younger gangster’s long-standing track record went astray in 1876 with a foiled bank robbery on the First National Bank. Hipsters and historians alike can appreciate this pivotal twist of fate that made its mark in Old West U.S. history. Come experience what the townspeople must have felt and witness their noble stance in an authentic heart pumping re-enactment in Northfield’s historic downtown where the original bank still stands. www.djjd.org.
- After the smoke clears, jump on an iron horse for **The Outlaw Run, August 28th**, as motorcycle enthusiasts take to the posse’s trail in pursuit of the desperadoes — reliving the largest manhunt in U.S. history of its time. The event begins with a James-Younger Gang re-enactment and returns back to town for refreshments from the dusty trail. More information is available at www.northfieldhistory.org.

Come experience the authenticity of Northfield and relive vibrant history. Make it a weekend with one of our many [stay-over packages](#). Find us on Facebook at “Northfield, Minnesota” and follow us on Twitter at “NorthfieldCVB.” The Northfield Convention and Visitors Bureau is a department of the Northfield Area Chamber of Commerce. Contact 1-800-658-2548.

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