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Less Than One Month Until the Hospitality Golf Tournament!



Spots are going FAST: Join us at the [Hospitality Minnesota Golf Tournament on September 15](#) for a great day of networking on the stunning [Lehman 18 course at Cragun's on Gull Lake](#), designed by PGA legend Tom Lehman.

- **Don't miss out!** This premier tournament offers the perfect blend of professional connection, friendly competition, fresh air, and lakeside camaraderie!

- **Not a good golfer?** Don't let that stop you from signing up – we've added a prize for highest score this year – EVERYONE can be a winner!

Interested in sponsoring? Few opportunities remain. Check out this year's available sponsorships [HERE](#)!

Register Today!

2025 Hospitality Conference Speaker Spotlight:



Speaker Added! We're thrilled to announce that interim CEO of All Square & the Legla Revolution, [Maya Johnson](#), will be joining us at the [2025 Hospitality Conference](#) on October 5-7 at the [Greysolon Ballroom by Blackwoods](#) in Duluth!

About Maya: Maya Johnson (she/her) is the Interim Chief Executive Officer at All Square and The Legal Revolution, where she leads innovative programming and strategic initiatives that advance opportunities for those impacted by mass incarceration.

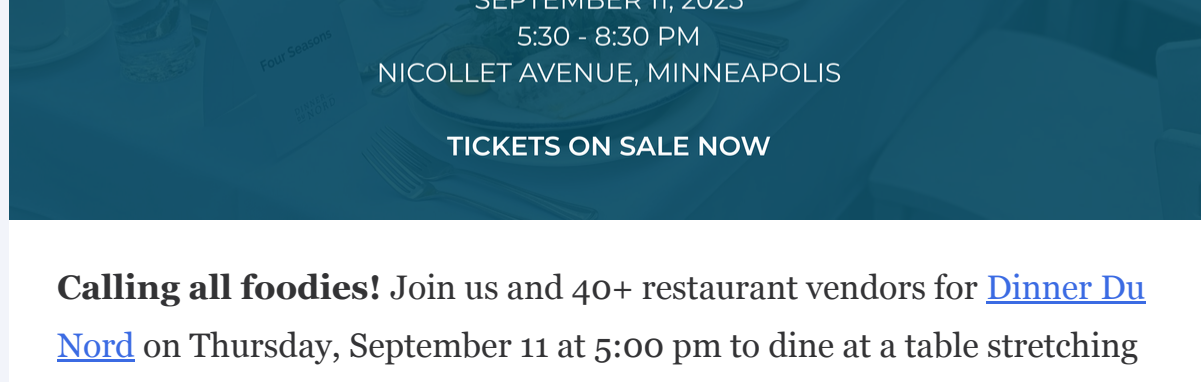
- **What to expect:** Maya will help attendees understand the challenges an important part of our workforce faces, and how operators can contribute to their future in our industry.

Book your stay: Member-only early-bird registration is now open! We encourage attendees to [book their stay at the Sheraton Duluth Hotel now](#). The room block is open until September 5th.

- **Yes, and:** Attendees who register 3 or more people for 2025 Hospitality Conference and receive \$50 each registration!
- **See what to expect yourself:** [Click here to view our Working Agenda!](#)

Register Now!

Dinner Du Nord: Get Your Tickets for an Unforgettable Night on Nicollet Mall



Calling all foodies! Join us and 40+ restaurant vendors for [Dinner Du Nord](#) on Thursday, September 11 at 5:00 pm to dine at a table stretching seven blocks of Nicollet Mall in Downtown Minneapolis as the city's hospitality scene comes together to provide the community with a wide variety of signature dishes.

- **Go deeper:** [Click here](#) to learn more and reserve your spot!

Stars of the Industry — Nomination Inquiry Closes September 5



Nominations Requested: Our team is excited to premiere the Hospitality Minnesota Stars of the Industry Awards Gala on December 4th at The Lofton Hotel in Minneapolis.

- **What to expect:** A night dedicated to celebrating the exceptional talent, dedication, and innovation that makes our industry extraordinary. [Click here](#) for category descriptions/criteria.

Nominations won't be open forever: Submit your favorites for consideration via our [nomination form](#) before the nomination deadline on September 5.

- **Questions:** Reach out to [Angie](#) with any questions you may have!

Click Here to Nominate!

On the Horizon: September Hospitality Conditions Survey



Stay proactive: Hospitality Minnesota will again partner with the Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis for their September 2025 Business Conditions Survey. The survey will be open for your input September 3 - 19, and we will send a link out to everyone as soon as it opens!

- **Why it matters?** This survey is a valuable opportunity for your business to contribute to a real-time understanding of our industry's economic landscape.

Why participate?

- **Inform key decision-makers:** Your responses help the Minneapolis Fed and Hospitality Minnesota educate business leaders, policymakers, and the public about current conditions.
- **Quick & easy:** The online survey takes only 7 minutes to complete. Confidentiality assured: All individual responses are kept strictly confidential.
- **Targeted insights:** We encourage owners or key financial decision-makers to participate for the most accurate feedback.

What your participation revealed last time: The [key takeaways](#) from May's Hospitality Conditions Survey revealed an industry struggling with declining revenue while navigating higher costs and other compounding obstacles.

View May's Key Takeaways

In The News

- [Canterbury Park plans 27-acre entertainment district](#) | Minneapolis / St. Paul Business Journal
- [Twin Cities restaurant sees increase in customers after being included in New York Times bestseller](#) | CBS Minnesota
- [Red Cow's North Loop restaurant to undergo remodel with help from MartinPatrick3](#) | Bring Me The News
- [Hand-pulled noodles trend heats up with two new Minnesota restaurant openings](#) | Star Tribune

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