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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

### Take Me to the River

#### ***Festival of Festivals Celebrates Arts in the St. Croix River Valley - September 23-26, 2010***

*September 20, 2010, Hastings, MN* - There will be 23 artists at the LeDuc Historic Estate during *Take Me to the River* on Saturday, September 25, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. It is a rare occasion when visitors will have such an opportunity to visit with so many artists at one venue. The artists will be demonstrating their craft and their creations will be available for purchase. The artists are:

Colleen Petersen, Shawn Kukowski, Carleton McCambridge, Dave Geister, Jean Accola, Al Todnem, Donna Christianson, Lisa Dolezal, Art Nordstrom, Mel Agen, George & Mecca Manz, Katrina Schumacher, Anita Bahls, Diana Langenfeld, Barb Pinc, Lori Ronchak, Dale Lewis, Pauline Johanik, Tibor Kovacs, Sue Zinschlag, Richard Carlson, Amy Deaver, and Andy Evansen.

There will be music by Pete Rivard who will be demonstrating and playing banjo. Black Dirt Theater will present an Improv show. Children will have an opportunity to help create a River of Ribbons on the LeDuc fence. Children participating will receive a gift certificate from Green Mill. More ribbons are needed and they can be dropped off at the LeDuc Historic Estate no later than Friday, September 24.

**Admission to this event on the grounds of LeDuc is FREE.** House tour admission is "buy one, get one free" with a *Take me to the River* button, or at normal prices for those without buttons.

Hastings is one of a dozen communities along a 50-mile stretch of the St. Croix River celebrating art, music, and storytelling. All events for *Take Me to the River* have been planned by the joint Hastings Prescott Area Arts Council and are powered by Art Reach St. Croix. For more information about ArtReach St. Croix go to [www.artreachstcroix.org](http://www.artreachstcroix.org) and for further information on specific events at the LeDuc Historic Estate got to [www.dakotahistory.org](http://www.dakotahistory.org).

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