HOMECOMING AND FAMILY WEEKEND
SCHEDULE OF EVENTS | OCTOBER 8–10, 2021
Art Exhibitions
*Flaten Art Museum and Groot Gallery · Center for Art and Dance*
Friday 10 a.m.–5 p.m.; Saturday noon–4 p.m.; Sunday noon–4 p.m.

*Altered Skyline: Brenda Berkman’s Thirty-Six Views of One World Trade Center*
Curated by Christina Spiker, Visiting Assistant Professor of Art and Art History

How do we process the individual and collective memories of national trauma? How can we frame these difficult histories while navigating a path towards healing and rebuilding? On the 20th anniversary of 9/11, this exhibition presents a series of lithographs by former FDNY fire officer and 9/11 first responder Brenda Berkman ’73 documenting the construction of One World Trade Center in New York City. Berkman deftly weaves our collective memory of the Twin Towers and 9/11 with her personal observations of the changing NYC skyline.

St. Olaf College Homecoming Scavenger Hunt
Friday, October 8, 8 a.m.–Sunday, October 10, 4 p.m.

Download GooseChase, a virtual scavenger hunt app, and discover parts of campus you’ve never seen before. Compete on your own or start a small team, and photograph your way around campus from Friday, October 8, 8 a.m. to Sunday, October 10, at 4 p.m.

Choose to play as a guest, or register for a personal account with a username and password. Please note: By sharing pictures, videos, and other depictions of St. Olaf Homecoming Scavenger Hunt, you authorize St. Olaf College to exhibit, publish, or distribute any photograph or video in which your likeness appears. You waive any right to royalties or other compensation, and you release St. Olaf College of any other liabilities arising out of or relating to the use of your image in any such photograph or video obtained from the event.
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 8

7:15–9:45 a.m. Breakfast
Buntrock Commons, Stav Hall
Pay at the door ($7.25 plus tax for adults, children ages 5–11 half price; students can use Ole cards).

8 a.m.–5 p.m. Registration
Buntrock Commons, Crossroads

8 a.m.–3 p.m. Open Classes
Many faculty members open their classrooms for visiting families and alumni. Get a list of classes at the registration table in Buntrock Commons Crossroads and experience what it’s like to be a liberal arts student at St. Olaf.

10–11 a.m. Follow the Food Tour with Bon Appétit
Buntrock Commons, gather on Ground Floor (lower level, by the elevators)
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10:10–10:30 a.m. Chapel Service of Morning Prayer
Boe Memorial Chapel

10:30 a.m.–2 p.m. Lunch
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1–2 p.m. Campus Tour
Tomson Hall, Outside Admissions Office
Admissions tour guides will show you highlights of the St. Olaf campus.

2–3 p.m. Norwegian-American Historical Society
Buntrock Commons, First Floor near the Cage
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Tostrud Center for Recreation
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7 p.m. Women’s Volleyball vs. St. Catherine University
Skoglund Center
9–11 p.m. Bonfire
Mellby Lawn (Rain site: Buntrock Commons, Crossroads)
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SATURDAY, OCTOBER 9

7:15 a.m. Homecoming 5K Ole Walk/Run Check-In
Tostrud Center (Enter at the north side by the garage door)
(This event takes place rain or shine, but will be canceled in case of severe weather.)
T-shirts will be available to pre-registered runners only during the pre-race check-in. Same-day registrants (including current students) may participate for $5, but you will not receive a T-shirt.

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8 a.m.–4 p.m. Registration
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8 a.m. Homecoming 5K Ole Walk/Run
Starts at Tostrud Center
(This event takes place rain or shine, but will be canceled in case of severe weather.)
All guests are invited to participate in the Homecoming 5k Ole Walk/Run through the St. Olaf Natural Lands. The 5k takes place rain or shine and is sponsored by Campus Recreation. Check-in begins at 7 a.m. After September 29, new registrants may participate for $5 but will not receive a t-shirt.

9–9:30 a.m. Stained Glass Window Tour
Boe Memorial Chapel
Join College Pastor Matt Marohl for an illuminating tour of Boe Chapel’s beautiful stained-glass windows.

9–10 a.m. The Piper Center for Vocation and Career Open House
Tomson Hall 270
Drop by for a cup of coffee and a pastry to discover how the Piper Center for Vocation and Career is supporting current students and alumni as they pursue their passions at work. Connect with Piper Center Career Coaches, including Associate Director of Alumni Career Services Jenele Grasse to learn how we support professional development and explore ways you can assist students with jobs, internships, and networking.
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9 a.m.–5 p.m. Um! Yah! Yah! Photo Wall
*Outside Boe Memorial Chapel, near the Festival Lunch* *(Rain site: Buntrock Commons, Crossroads)*
Bring your family and friends to take a picture at the Um! Yah! Yah! photo wall.

9–11 a.m. Annual Legacy Homecoming Event
*Buntrock Commons, Viking Theater*
A special event for high school students whose family has attended St. Olaf.

9 a.m. Check-in and refreshments
9:15 a.m. Welcome
9:30 a.m. STO Talk: Presentation by a member of the faculty
10 a.m. Legacy student panel discussion with Q & A
10:30 a.m. Optional campus tours
Even if you think you know the campus, take a fresh look with a current student tour guide. Tours end with lunch in Stav Hall.

9:30–10:30 a.m. A Conversation with María Pabón Gautier, Vice President for Equity and Inclusion
*Tomson Hall 280 (Alumni Auditorium)*
Hear from St. Olaf Vice President for Equity and Inclusion María Pabón Gautier about the ongoing and new efforts around diversity, equity, inclusion, and access. She will provide an update on the Co-Creating an Inclusive Community initiative and other projects.

10:30–11:30 a.m. Town Hall Gathering with President
*David R. Anderson ’74*
*Tomson Hall 280 (Alumni Auditorium)*
All visiting alumni, family members, and guests are invited to hear a campus update from President David Anderson ’74. Refreshments provided.
11 a.m.–1:30 p.m. Festival Lunch
Buntrock Commons, Stav Hall
Pre-registration for this meal is requested, though not required, as tickets will be available for purchase outside Stav Hall. Adults $13, children (ages 5–11) half price; students may use Ole Cards. All guests and students are invited to dine in Stav Hall for cuisine prepared by the college’s award-winning food service provider, Bon Appétit, and featuring ingredients from southern Minnesota.

11 a.m. Touchdown Club Picnic
Klein Field at Manitou (east end)
Join athletic alumni, current student athletes, coaches, and Ole Club donors to connect and reminisce.

11:15 a.m.–12:15 p.m. Campus Tour
Tomson Hall, Outside Admissions Office
Admissions tour guides will show you highlights of the St. Olaf campus.

11:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m. Family Resource Expo
Sponsored by the St. Olaf Fund
Campus Quad (Rain site: Buntrock Commons, The Pause)
Interested in learning more about the resources offered to your student? Come meet the campus departments and resource offices that can help your student succeed. Gain contacts and valuable information to share with your student to ensure they can advocate for themselves and thrive for the rest of their experience on the Hill.

1 p.m. Football Game vs. Carleton College
Klein Field at Manitou

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3:30–4:30 p.m. **Student Government Association (SGA) Reunion**  
*Buntrock Commons Room 108, Student Activities Office*  
All SGA alumni are invited to gather outside the Office of Student Activities for snacks and refreshments and to meet and mingle with past and current SGA members.

4 p.m. **St. Olaf Natural Lands Tour**  
*Meet at the Art Barn (Canceled in case of severe weather.)*  
Walk the trails with Director of Natural Lands Charles Umbanhowar, Jr., and St. Olaf student naturalists. Learn about the variety of flora and fauna in this protected area and see how faculty and students use the land.

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4:30–5:30 p.m. **Lavender Sweet Treats Social**  
*Fire pit behind Thorson Hall (Rain site: Thorson Hall Lounge)*  
Director of the Taylor Center for Equity and Inclusion Martin Olague and the Associate Director for Multicultural Gender and Sexuality Jessica Cameron invite all LGBTQIA+ alumni, family members, and allies to join us for sweet treats and conversation. Come connect and learn about what’s new on the Hill and ways we are working to serve the LGBTQIA+.
**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 10**

**8 a.m.–12 p.m. Registration**  
*Buntrock Commons, Crossroads*

**8–9 a.m. Sunday Continental Breakfast**  
*Buntrock Commons, Stav Hall*  
Pay at the door ($7.25 plus tax for adults, children ages 5–11 half price; students can use Ole cards).

**10:30 a.m. Service of Holy Communion**  
*Boe Memorial Chapel*  
Music by the Chapel Choir and the St. Olaf Handbell Choir.  
Open to all. No ticket required.

**10:30 a.m.–1:30 p.m. Brunch**  
*Buntrock Commons, Stav Hall*  
Tickets are required and are available outside Stav Hall. ($13 for adults, children ages 5–11 half price; students can use Ole cards).

**3:30 p.m. Family Weekend Concert**  
*Skoglund Center Auditorium*  
This concert will feature the Manitou Singers, Norseman Band, Philharmonia, and Viking Chorus.  
Open to all. No tickets required.
GENERAL INFORMATION

Registration
Friday: 8 a.m.–5 p.m.
Saturday: 8 a.m.–4 p.m.
Sunday: 8 a.m.–12 p.m.

Information Desk Hours
Have general questions? Stop by the Information Desk in the Buntrock Commons Crossroads.
Friday: 8 a.m.–1 a.m.
Saturday: 8 a.m.–1 a.m.
Sunday: 10 a.m.–midnight

Rølvaag Memorial Library
Friday: 7:45 a.m.–9 p.m.
Saturday: 9 a.m.–9 p.m.
Sunday: 12 p.m.–Midnight

Music Library
Friday: 7:45 a.m.–8 p.m.
Saturday: 9 a.m.–6 p.m.
Sunday: 12–11 p.m.

Bookstore
Friday: 8 a.m.–6 p.m.
Saturday: 10 a.m.–4 p.m.
Sunday: 10 a.m.–2 p.m.

Skoglund Athletic Center and Tostrud Center
Limitations due to COVID are in place and Skoglund Athletic Center and Tostrud Center will not be open this weekend.
The Cage
The Cage, located on the second level of Buntrock Commons, offers short-order meals, coffee, and tea.

Friday: 7:30 a.m.–8 p.m.
Saturday: 9 a.m.–8 p.m.
Sunday: 9 a.m.–10 p.m.

Stav Dining Hall
Stav Hall offers students and guests all-you-can-eat dining for breakfast, lunch, and dinner. Join us for the widest variety of food on campus with several entrée choices, a full salad bar, and deli buffet. Dessert and beverage selection included. Guests may pay at the door; current students may use Ole cards for all meals.

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Saturday
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Lunch: 11 a.m.–1:30 p.m.
Dinner: 4:30–7:30 p.m.

Sunday
Breakfast (Continental): 8–9 a.m.
Brunch: 10:30 a.m.–1:30 p.m.
Dinner: 4:30–7:30 p.m.
ALUMNI & FAMILY TRAVEL

Alumni and Families: why let St. Olaf students have all the fun? You're invited to join St. Olaf professors and each other on adventures that emphasize learning for the joy of it. Enjoy a stimulating vacation where the arrangements are handled for you, amidst the camaraderie of like-minded travelers. Get all the information you need at stolaf.edu/travel. Here’s a sampling of what’s coming up.

**Monarchs in Mexico**
Led by David and Molly Schalliol
February 13–19, 2022

**Patagonia in Depth: Hiking, Glaciers, Culture, and More**
Led by Dave Van Wylen ’80 and Pat Van Wylen ’80
March 15–28, 2022

**Struggle for Civil Rights: Religion, Race, and the Work for Justice in the American South**
Led by David Booth and Ann Tobin
April 5–14, 2022

**Croatia & Slovenia: Hiking, Biking, Kayaking, Waterfalls, and So Much More**
Led by Michon and David Weeks
May 31–June 12, 2022

**Wilderness Adventure in the Boundary Waters**
Led by Judy Tegtmeyer and Wes Braker ’18
June 12–18, 2022

**Journey to the Holy Land**
Led by Peder Jothen and Kaethe Schwehn
June 15–27, 2022

**Theater in London**
Led by Diana Postlethwaite and Paul Thiboutot
September 9–18, 2022