

MALL OF AMERICA.
PRESSINFORMATION

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# BY THE NUMBERS

## 8 ACRES

OF SKYLIGHT ALLOW ABOUT 70 PERCENT OF NATURAL LIGHT TO ENTER THE PARK

4 OUT OF 10

VISITORS TO MALL OF AMERICA® ARE TOURISTS

9 YANKEE STADIUMS

CAN FIT INSIDE THE MALL

28 RIDES + ATTRACTIONS

IN NICKELODEON UNIVERSE®

43 BOEING 747S

COULD FIT INSIDE THE MALL

65 SEMI-TRUCKS

WERE NEEDED TO TRANSPORT TREES TO THE PARK TO CREATE
THE OUTDOOR FEEL IN AN INDOOR PARK

70 DEGREES

IS THE TEMPERATURE INSIDE MALL OF AMERICA WHETHER
IT'S SPRING, SUMMER, WINTER OR FALL

100+ POUNDS

OF FOOD ARE FED DAILY TO ANIMALS AT SEA LIFE® MINNESOTA AQUARIUM—
PLUS 90 EXTRA POUNDS ON THE DAYS THE SHARKS ARE FED

347 STATUES OF LIBERTY

COULD LIE INSIDE THE MALL

400+ EVENTS

ARE HELD AT MALL OF AMERICA EACH YEAR

520+ STORES

ARE LOCATED IN MALL OF AMERICA

8,700 WEDDINGS
HAVE BEEN PERFORMED AT MALL OF AMERICA

12,750
PARKING SPACES AVAILABLE ON SITE

30,000+ LIVE PLANTS
AND 400 LIVE TREES CLIMBING AS HIGH AS 35 FEET
TALL ARE LOCATED IN NICKELODEON UNIVERSE

32,000+ TONS
OF TRASH ARE RECYCLED EACH YEAR

170,000+ LEGOS
HAVE BEEN LOST IN THE LEGO® PLAY AREA

1.3 MILLION GALLON
AQUARIUM IS LOCATED INSIDE SEA LIFE MINNESOTA AQUARIUM

5.6 MILLION SQUARE FEET OF GROSS BUILDING AREA

40 MILLION VISITORS

COME TO MOA® ANNUALLY WHICH IS MORE THAN THE COMBINED POPULATIONS OF NORTH DAKOTA, SOUTH DAKOTA, IOWA AND CANADA

174+ MILLION
RIDES HAVE BEEN TAKEN IN THE PARK SINCE OPENING

\$650+ MILLION
WAS THE COST TO BUILD MALL OF AMERICA

\$2+ BILLION

MALL OF AMERICA GENERATES IN ECONOMIC ACTIVITY

ANNUALLY FOR THE STATE OF MINNESOTA

# MALL OF AMERICA® STORY



**1982 -** MINNESOTA TWINS AND VIKINGS MOVE FROM METROPOLITAN STADIUM (NOW THE SITE OF MALL OF AMERICA) TO THE HUBERT H. HUMPHREY METRODOME IN DOWNTOWN MINNEAPOLIS.

Today: The Metropolitan Stadium home plate is located on the floor of Nickelodeon Universe® near the entrance to SpongeBob SquarePants Rock Bottom Plunge. Guests will also see the red chair from the stadium that commemorates Harmon Killebrew's 522-foot home run on the wall above the Log Chute.

**1985** - BLOOMINGTON PORT AUTHORITY PURCHASES THE 78 ACRES OF REAL ESTATE AND STARTS ACCEPTING PROPOSALS FOR DEVELOPMENT. PROPOSALS INCLUDED:

- Office complexes
- Condominium and residential uses
- New convention center and visitors bureau
- Mixed use retail and entertainment center

1986 - AGREEMENT SIGNED BETWEEN BLOOMINGTON PORT AUTHORITY AND TRIPLE FIVE GROUP TO DEVELOP THE NATION'S LARGEST RETAIL + ENTERTAINMENT COMPLEX

1989 - MALL OF AMERICA GROUNDBREAKING

**1992 -** MALL OF AMERICA OPENED ON AUGUST 11 WITH 71 PERCENT LEASED SPACE, 330 BRAND NEW STORES OPEN FOR BUSINESS AND 10,000 EMPLOYEES.

Today: Mall of America has an average of 95 percent leased space and is home to more than 520 stores, restaurants and specialty stores.







# WHERE WE ARE TODAY

MALL OF AMERICA® IS THE NATION'S LARGEST ENTERTAINMENT AND RETAIL COMPLEX—AND WE'RE STILL GROWING. HERE'S A LOOK AT WHERE MOA® IS TODAY:



5.6 MILLION SQUARE FEET filled with retail and entertainment options



MORE THAN 520 world-class shops, specialty retail and attractions



Attracts more than
40 MILLION guests annually



Home of Nickelodeon Universe®, the nation's largest indoor theme park with **28 RIDES AND ATTRACTIONS** for guests of all ages



SEA LIFE® Minnesota Aquarium is a 1.3 MILLION gallon underwater experience with a 300-foot ocean tunnel featuring 10,000 sea creatures.



FlyOver America is a fully immersive, flight simulation ride that uses virtual flight technology to take guests through an AERIAL TOUR OF THE UNITED STATES.



Crayola Experience has **25 HANDS-ON ATTRACTIONS** in one space that combine chemistry and digital technology for a colorful experience.



The LEGO® Store features a **34-FOOT-TALL LEGO ROBOT** and a wall with 180 varieties of LEGO pieces.



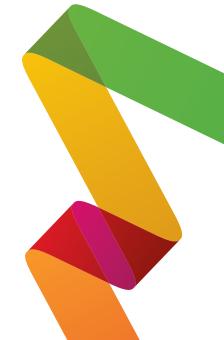
Since opening in 1992, the Mall has hosted more than **8,700 WEDDINGS**.



Moose Mountain Adventure Golf is an 18-HOLE MINIATURE GOLF COURSE with full accessibility for all guests.



More than 400 ANNUAL EVENTS, including ongoing community relations initiatives, celebrity appearances, concerts, book signings and more.



# TOURISM

MALL OF AMERICA® PARTICIPATES IN MAJOR NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL + TRADE SHOWS ANNUALLY TO PROMOTE TRAVEL TO MOA®. The Mall continues to welcome millions of visitors each year from around the world, including guests from: Brazil, Canada, China, England, France, Germany, Iceland, Ireland, Japan, Korea, Latin America, Mexico, Norway, Sweden and Taiwan.



# FUN FACTS

## 4 out of 10 visitors are tourists

Located only 1.5 miles from the Minneapolis/St. Paul International Airport

More than 30 million people live within a day's drive of the Mall

More than 50 hotels are located within ten minutes of Mall of America + offer complimentary shuttle service

There are two hotels attached

JW Marriott is 14 stories and offers 342 luxury rooms

Radisson Blu Mall of America offers 500 rooms

More than 1 million annual boardings on the Light Rail at Mall of America

# HOTELS CONNECTED TO THE MALL

### RADISSON BLU MALL OF AMERICA

Radisson Blu is connected via skyway to the Mall. The hotel offers 500 rooms, a state-of-the-art fitness center, Solimar Spa and an indoor pool. Guests and shoppers alike can enjoy a delicious meal at FireLake Grill House + Cocktail Bar.

**DID YOU KNOW?** Radisson Blu offers complimentary package pick-up for hotel guests. Hotel staff will retrieve guests' bags and drop them off in their hotel room.







# JW MARRIOTT MINNEAPOLIS MALL OF AMERICA

JW Marriott is 14 stories and offers 342 luxury rooms, a lobby bar + lounge, as well as valet services and underground parking. Guests and Mall shoppers can enjoy upscale dining at Cedar + Stone, Urban Table.

**DID YOU KNOW?** Cedar + Stone, Urban Table's menu offers refined, crafted dishes inspired by Minnesota's natural roots and local culture. The restaurant also has patio seating during the summer months.







# GREEN BEFORE ITS TIME



MALL OF AMERICA® HAS ALWAYS BEEN COMMITTED TO GREEN DESIGN. EFFORTS ARE MADE 365 DAYS A YEAR TO REDUCE WASTE AND IMPROVE EFFICIENCIES IN ITS OPERATION.



# MALL OF AMERICA"...

HAS 30,000 LIVE PLANTS
AND 400 LIVE TREES THAT ACT AS NATURAL AIR PURIFIERS.

RECYCLES MORE THAN 60 PERCENT
OF ITS WASTE, WHICH IS AN AVERAGE OF 32,000 TONS PER YEAR.

DOES NOT USE A CENTRAL HEATING SYSTEM
EVEN IN JANUARY WHEN THE AVERAGE MINNESOTA HIGH TEMPERATURE
IS 22 DEGREES FAHRENHEIT. INSTEAD, THE COMFORTABLE 70 DEGREES
FAHRENHEIT TEMPERATURE IS MAINTAINED BY:
1.2 MILES OF SKYLIGHTS FOR PASSIVE SOLAR ENERGY
RESIDUAL HEAT FROM LIGHT FIXTURES
BODY HEAT FROM MORE THAN 40 MILLION ANNUAL VISITORS.

RECYCLES MORE THAN 2,400 TONS
OF FOOD WASTE TO LOCAL HOG FARMS, WHICH EQUATES TO MORE THAN A
MILLION HOG MEALS ANNUALLY.

RELEASES THOUSANDS OF LADYBUGS INSTEAD OF USING PESTICIDES ON LIVE PLANTS.

OFFERS ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING STATIONS
TO SERVICE OWNERS OF ELECTRIC CARS, BIKES AND SCOOTERS.

INSTALLED MORE THAN 5,400 LED BULBS
IN PARKING RAMPS, SPANNING MORE THAN 2.2 MILLION
SQUARE FEET AND REDUCING ENERGY COSTS BY TWO THIRDS.





PARKING RAMPS AFTER

# ATTRACTIONS



# SEA LIFE® MINNESOTA AQUARIUM IS A 1.3 MILLION GALLON AQUARIUM HOME TO 10,000 SEA CREATURES, LOCATED IN THE SUB-LEVEL OF MALL OF AMERICA®.

### **EXHIBITS INCLUDE:**

OCEAN TUNNEL - This amazing glass tunnel takes you 14 feet under the water's surface and across 300 feet of surface to see sharks, sawfish, sea turtles and a tropical reef.

STINGRAY ADVENTURE - Guests can dive into a world of stingrays at the 12,000 gallon Ray Pool where kids of all ages can touch and feed dozens of stingrays.

PACIFIC NORTH WEST ROCKPOOL - This cold water rockpool is home to a variety of colorful and unique creatures that guests can touch. Underwater cameras provide the ultimate close-up encounter for guests to interact with different species.



**FLYOVER AMERICA:** This flight simulation ride takes guests on a breathtaking, aerial tour of some of the greatest landmarks and regions throughout the United States using flight technology. The interactive attraction is fully immersive using features such as wind, mist and scents while in progress.



**CRAYOLA EXPERIENCE:** This 60,000 square foot experience features 25 hands-on attractions to inspire creativity, a live factory show to learn how crayons are made, the world's largest selection of Crayola products and unique souvenirs at The Crayola Store and dining options at Café Crayola.



**THE LEGO® STORE:** The iconic LEGO store features a Pick-A-Brick wall with 180 different LEGO elements to choose from, a variety of play tables to inspire creativity and eight larger-than-life models, including a LEGO robot towering over 34 feet tall.



**THE AMERICAN GIRL® STORE:** This 22,000 square foot store features a fun, casual environment where girls and their families can shop for their favorite American Girl products, enjoy a meal in the Bistro and treat their doll to a new "do" in the Doll Hair Salon.



**A.C.E.S. FLIGHT SIMULATION:** Take full control of sophisticated flight simulators that are replicated of those used to train military pilots. Guests are invited to fly both modern F/A-18 Hornet jets and classic WWII fighters, such as the P-51 Mustang and F4U Corsair.



**RICK BRONSON'S HOUSE OF COMEDY:** Get ready for some laughs. This comedy lineup features standup comedians and performers who have received national and international recognition and who are often regarded as groundbreaking, talented artists.



**MOOSE MOUNTAIN ADVENTURE GOLF:** An 18-hole miniature golf course that has become a popular attraction for Mall visitors. The course features an original, whimsical design with an old-time north woods feel, complete with a life-size moose.



**AMAZING MIRROR MAZE:** Be amazed and challenged as you find your way through this fun-filled, life-size maze of mirrors and glass. This family attraction is an illusion like no other with 2,500 square feet of endless hallways.























# NICKELODEON UNIVERSE®

**LOCATED IN THE CENTER OF MALL OF AMERICA®**, Nickelodeon Universe is the nation's largest indoor theme park, featuring seven acres of entertainment for guests of all ages and 28 rides + attractions.

### **DUTCHMAN'S DECK ATTRACTION:**

### BARNACLE BLAST ZIP LINE:

- · Longest indoor zip line in North America
- 405 feet long
- 55 feet above the ground

### **GHOSTLY GANGPLANK:**

- Tallest Sky Trail<sup>®</sup> ropes course in the world
- · Reaches 56 feet above Nickelodeon Universe

### ANCHOR DROP:

- Spiral slide experience
- Travels from 56 feet above Nickelodeon Universe to ground

Since opening in 2008, there have been more than **174 MILLION** rides ridden in the theme park. In June 2016, the SpongeBob Rock Bottom Plunge roller coaster celebrated its **1 MILLIONTH RIDE**.

# ENTERTAINMENT

### NICKELODEON UNIVERSE HOSTS APPEARANCES WITH FAN-FAVORITE NICKELODEON® CHARACTERS INCLUDING:

SpongeBob Square Pants | The Fairly Odd Parents | Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles Wonder Pets | Jimmy Neutron | Paw Patrol | Bubble Guppies





# EVENTS

## MALL OF AMERICA® HAS HOSTED THOUSANDS OF EVENTS AND CELEBRITY APPEARANCES SINCE OPENING IN 1992.

Musical artists, authors, performers, chefs, athletes and social media sensations have come to the Mall to meet fans, sign autographs and perform. Many of these celebrities have been spotted shopping and hopping on rides in Nickelodeon Universe<sup>®</sup>.

### **CELEBRITY HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE:**

Zac Efron | Miranda Sings | Hunger Games Cast | Taylor Swift | Fifth Harmony
Tyler Oakley | Kendall and Kylie Jenner | Kate Hudson | Glee Cast | Shawn Mendes
Connor Franta | Becky G | Rachel Platten









# COMMUNITY RELATIONS

**FOR NEARLY 25 YEARS, MALL OF AMERICA®**, along with our tenants, has been a big part of the communities of Minneapolis, St. Paul and our hometown of Bloomington, Minnesota. We contribute through cash, products and inkind support to charities and nonprofits. Additionally, MOA® is a Beyond the Yellow Ribbon certified workplace.

### A LITTLE GOES A LONG WAY:

\$26,000 daily donation value

\$24,000 IN COINS collected every year + donated to 12 charities

\$25,000 average contribution every day in cash, products and in-kind support to charities and nonprofits

\$9.5 MILLION annual donation value

\$12 MILLION annually raised by our community partners as a result of our events, in-kind support and donations

### ANNUAL COMMUNITY EVENTS AT MOA INCLUDE:

Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation Walk | Holiday for Heroes Fraser Walk for Autism | March of Dimes | Walk to End Hunger



# SECURITY



MALL OF AMERICA® SECURITY OFFICERS UNDERGO MORE THAN 400 HOURS OF TRAINING IN SAFETY, GUEST RELATIONS, EMERGENCY OPERATIONS, KRAV MAGA AND VERBAL JUDO. In addition to security officers, the security department utilizes bike patrol, a special operations plain clothes unit and a K-9 program.

# ON AVERAGE, EACH YEAR MALL OF AMERICA SECURITY:

Receives more than 115,000 calls for services

Reunites more than 3,700 lost children with their families

Responds to more than 1,100 medical emergencies

Helps visitors locate approximately 1,200 "lost" vehicles

Receives 55,000 training hours

Manages and trains 15 single purpose explosive detection canines

Employs more than 150 personnel who go through approximately three months

of extensive training prior to working out in the Mall.

### **BLOOMINGTON POLICE DEPARTMENT**

Additionally, Mall of America houses two on-site stations for the Bloomington Police Department. Bloomington police officers work hand-in-hand with retailers to prevent retail crime. The Mall management and security departments work closely with the Bloomington Police Department on training and other issues.

# STAYING CONNECTED: DIGITAL INNOVATION AT MOA®

Mall of America® Guest Services goes far beyond the doors of the Mall. Digital Guest Service Representatives monitor every MOA digital platform, including social media channels and text messaging software, Kipsu, to ensure visitors get the answers they're looking for—from parking updates and store locations to event times and dining recommendations.

## CONNECT WITH MALL OF AMERICA:



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### **ENHANCED SERVICE PORTAL (ESP):**

Mall of America opened a first-of-its-kind communication hub, Enhanced Service Portal (ESP). The portal integrates social media, digital media, security and telecom (phone operators) to streamline guest service and tenant response.

Team members use social media, SMS texting, phone, email and in-person channels to track conversations, answer questions and keep an eye on trends to better serve and communicate with quests.

Mall of America also encourages guests to reach out with questions over text message. This includes parking reminders, which has contributed to a 25 percent decrease in security vehicle locate calls.













# IMAGE REQUESTS

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