

Travel is more than
a destination – it's
state of mind . . .

"Passport to the Arts" is a summer program highlighting Northeast Michigan as an area rich with history, art and culture. Pick up a passport and use the handy calendar to plan your summer vacation activities.

Re-discover your creativity and the fun that awaits just beyond your door. Visit 10 participating organizations to get a passport stamp and be eligible for the grand prize drawing featuring a trip for two to New York City!




Sunrises and Fireworks — a magical place from dawn to dusk!

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PASSPORT TO THE ARTS

June 20 - September 7, 2009



... A time of discovery

*Pick up a Passport for Prize Drawings,
Discounts, Events, Festivities and Fun!*

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PASSPORT TO THE ARTS: *Your Town is ARTown!*

This summer, you don't need to travel far to enjoy a memorable vacation. Explore our creative community and discover the rich array of arts and culture, history and heritage, festivities and fun that abound all summer long — right here in Northeast Michigan. It's all just minutes from your door.

Browse galleries, museums, and shops. Enjoy a concert in the park or an art festival by the bay. Board a Great Lakes schooner. Walk along the Heritage Trail. Have lunch at an arts center in the heart of Downtown Alpena or climb to the top of an historic light-house.

Immerse yourself in an art class, attend a live performance, watch the sunrise. Relax, renew, create, and enjoy!

Visit ten of the events listed in the Passport Calendar in order to be eligible for great prizes, including the Grand Prize – a trip for two to New York City!



Experience a storm at sea on a replica of a 1870's Schooner at the Great Lakes Maritime Heritage Center

1. Pick Up A Passport

Passports are FREE, and are available at these "passport offices," with a short registration form:

- Alpena Chamber of Commerce
- Art in the Loft
- Besser Museum
- Thunder Bay Arts Council
- Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary
- Craftmaker's Cabin—Harrisville
- Presque Isle District Library



Browse arts & crafts during the 33rd Annual "Art on the Bay" at beautiful Bay View Park, July 18-19

2. Start Your Journey

Grab the kids or a friend — or strike out on your own — and find at least ten activities or events listed in the passport calendar that capture your interest. You can spend the whole summer or just a few days. Choose from over 130 places, activities and events that are listed in the passport. Many of them are free or low cost.

At each stop on your trip, your passport will be stamped by the participating business or organization. Some of them even offer special discounts and promotions to Passport holders.



Step back in time at Log Cabin Day on June 27 at the Besser Museum for Northeast Michigan

3. Enter Prize Drawing

After you have collected all 10 stamps, return your passport to any of the passport offices and you will be entered in a Prize Drawing. Prizes include:

A work of art by a regional artist

An Alpena Arts & Culture Basket filled with season tickets, gifts certificates and local products



Relax in the ambiance of Art in the Loft. Have lunch, take a workshop or meet one of the 35 exhibiting artists.

Grand Prize Trip for 2 people To New York City, October 22 - 25, Includes:

- 3 Nights at The Crowne Plaza Times Square
- Round Trip on Northwest Air
- Airport/Hotel shuttle
- 3 hr. cruise around Manhattan with Circle Line Tours
- Your choice of one of more than 50 Broadway & Off-Broadway Plays
- Set of Luggage provided by AAA Travel