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MEDIA ALERT/PHOTO OPPORTUNITY

The People Have Spoken on Where Minne is Floatin’

Powderhorn Lake wins second annual Facebook poll

__ (aka, Minne the Lake Creature) launches Wednesday, June 4, about 10:30AM

Minneapolis, Minn. – The *Mona Lisa of Minneapolis lakes* will grace [Powderhorn Park](#) this summer, beginning Wednesday, June 4. Fans of __ (aka, [Minne the Lake the Creature](#)) and friends of the [Minneapolis Parks Foundation](#) chose the South Minneapolis location by participating in a two-week poll on the [Foundation’s Facebook page](#).

This is the second year that the Parks Foundation has asked Minne fans to choose her summer home. Last year, she graced the lagoon at Lake Nokomis. In 2014, nine lakes were candidates for Minne’s throne: Brownie, Calhoun, Cedar, Hiawatha, Isles, Nokomis, Powderhorn and Wirth.

Minne fans voted by “liking” the photo of their favorite lake. Powderhorn received 30% of the 1,200 votes – or 347 likes. Hiawatha came in a close second at 337 likes. The poll ran for two weeks, ending on Friday, May 30, at about 10:30pm.

Minne the Lake Creature was first introduced in 2009 and has graced all nine of the 17 Minneapolis lakes she can, sometimes moving three times per summer. Since 2012, Minne has made one lake her home. Minneapolis Park & Recreation Board regulations regarding invasive species require a two-week holding period when moving Minne from one week to another.

About Minne and the Minneapolis Parks Foundation

Minneapolis artist Cameron Gainer, inspired by the infamous 1934 “Surgeon’s Photo” of the Loch Ness Monster, created the 13-foot fiberglass sculpture and named her __. She was

The [Minneapolis Parks Foundation](#) is creating the Next Generation of Parks™. Through the generosity of donors and grantmakers, the Foundation provides private-sector leadership and funding for RiverFirst and Water Works, innovative urban design projects that build on the 100-year legacy of visionary parks. In 2013, the Foundation worked collaboratively with multiple government and non-profit partners on these parks projects, as well as the Foundation’s education programs – [SiteSeeing urban design curriculum](#) and the [Next Generation of Parks™ Lecture Series](#). The Minneapolis park system enhances the quality of life of the city and contributes to social and economic environments that strengthen communities throughout the region. For more information or to support our work, please visit MplsParksFoundation.org.

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