

Theatre Associates of Stillwater Proudly Presents Bill Cosgrove's

“An Evening with Mark Twain: The Trouble Begins at Eight”



Cast members in "Tom Sawyer: The Musical", Moorhead, MN, 2004 photo

**Performances in Northern Vineyards Winery
223 Main St. N. in Downtown Stillwater**

**Friday and Saturday, December 4 & 5, 2009 at 7:30 pm
&
Sunday, December 6, 2009 at 2 pm**

This show presents the humorist, writer, and stage personality as a white-haired 70-year-old man in a white suit and red ascot recalling his life as a boy on the Mississippi River and as a riverboat pilot, a Confederate soldier in the Civil War (for two weeks), a gold and silver prospector in Nevada, and a reporter in Virginia City and San Francisco.

Twain's own words are excerpted from his novels “The Adventures of Tom Sawyer” and “Adventures of Huckleberry Finn” as well as from his short stories, essays, speeches, letters, and autobiography. Drawing upon these well-known writings as well as his lesser-known satire, this compelling one-man show presents material used by Twain himself in his famous talks throughout the country and world. Twain's comments about Minnesota and North Dakota were made during his train trip through this area on his World Lecture Tour of 1895.

Tickets: \$15 for adults, \$10 for students. Please reserve your ticket(s) by calling 651-439-0993, or by e-mail to NormanSteere@aol.com Purchasing tickets in advance helps avoid delays at the door.

Tickets are available at several locations in or near downtown Stillwater: Northern Vineyards Winery, Valley Bookseller, and the Daily Grind. Tickets are also available by mail a week before the shows.

Ticket purchasers receive a 10% discount coupon for any one of five downtown restaurants: Marx Fusion Bistro, The Dock Café, Luna Rossa Trattoria, Savories Bistro and Smalley's Caribbean Barbeque. (More information at www.StillwaterTheatre.org)