



A statue of Minerva has welcomed patrons to the Central Library in Minneapolis since it opened in 1889. Minerva is the ancient Roman goddess of wisdom, learning, and the arts. She is the protector of libraries.

**By joining or renewing your support of the Library Foundation's Minerva Circle, you can help to strengthen the Hennepin County Library.**

The Library relies on the Foundation for private support to offer and enhance essential programs and services. The Hennepin County Library system now serves nearly one-quarter of all Minnesotans with 41 facilities, 1,750 computers, and a collection of more than 5 million books, CDs and DVDs. A strong public library system fosters literate citizens, prospering families, and a skilled workforce prepared to compete in a knowledge-based economy.

While support to the Library is our most important mission, the Foundation presents the subscription-based Pen Pals author series at the Hopkins Center for the Arts and the free Talk of the Stacks series at Central Library in Minneapolis. Members of our Minerva Circle enjoy private receptions with our nationally-acclaimed program presenters throughout the year. For more information on Foundation-sponsored events, please visit [www.supporthclib.org](http://www.supporthclib.org).

**MINERVA CIRCLE MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES**

- Patron (\$1,000 - \$4,999)
- Pillar (\$5,000+)
- I choose not to join/renew at the Minerva Circle level, but I/we would like to make a donation of \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**OPTIONAL BENEFITS:**

- I would like to receive a Foundation tote bag and a signed book. I understand the tax-deductibility of my contribution will be decreased by \$25.
- As a Pillar member, I would like to receive two Pen Pals subscriptions to attend 5 lectures. I understand the tax-deductibility of my contribution will be decreased by \$350.

**CONTACT INFORMATION:**

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For more information about the Library Foundation and the Minerva Circle, contact Dawn Flinsch, Development Director, at (612) 630-6175 or [dmflinsch@hclib.org](mailto:dmflinsch@hclib.org)

Please send this form to:

**Library Foundation of Hennepin County**  
**300 Nicollet Mall**  
**Minneapolis, MN 55401**

**NAME RECOGNITION**

Please list my/our name(s) as:

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- I/we prefer to remain anonymous.

**PAYMENT METHOD:**

- Check:** Enclosed is a check payable to the Library Foundation of Hennepin County.
- Credit card:**  Visa  Mastercard  Am. Ex.

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  - Please send me pledge reminders so I can pay by check.
  - Please charge my credit card at payment time (complete card information above).
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**PREFERENCES:**

- My/our company will match this gift.
- Contact me to discuss a contribution of securities.
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- The Foundation occasionally exchanges lists with other non-profits and cultural organizations. Check here if you prefer not to have your address traded.