

The image shows the Xcel Energy Center at night, illuminated from within. A large red banner with the Xcel Energy Center logo is overlaid on the left side of the image. The building's name is also visible on the top right corner of the facade.

Xcel Energy Center™

WHAT PEOPLE ARE SAYING...

NO. 1 STADIUM EXPERIENCE

“This *is* the State of Hockey. It’s electric...phenomenal place to watch a game.”

– **Pierre McGuire, TSN Analyst**

“There’s not a finer sports venue than St. Paul’s Xcel Energy Center, home of the Minnesota Wild. Fantastic sightlines, comfortable seats and knowledgeable spectators have helped it earn rave reviews since the building opened eight years ago.”

– **Dave LeGarde, Duluth Budgeteer News**

“There is not a bad seat at Xcel Energy Center.”

– **John Millea, Star Tribune**

“It’s a remarkable building...almost made-to-order for this type of convention. Things are going so well we wonder where the glitches are.”

– **Mike Miller, Director of Operations, 2008 Republican National Convention**

“Your staff and your building are truly special. If someone were to ask me what the finest arena is, I would, without question, tell them it is the Xcel Energy Center. We had a terrific experience there in August of 2006 with the US Gymnastics Championships, but the (2008 U.S. Figure Skating Championships) was amazing. You allowed us to concentrate on producing good television without any outside distractions. I am grateful for your help and look forward to working there again.”

– **David Michaels, Senior Producer, Director, NBC Olympics**

XCEL MARKS THE CONCERT SPOT

“There’s no better arena in the country for selling tickets, taking care of the acts and, most importantly, giving fans a great place to see a show.”

– **Jerry Mickelson, JAM Productions Owner**

“I wish we could put this arena on wheels and bring it back to London with us.”

– **Barrie Marshall, Paul McCartney**

“The audience was great. The building was great. The whole thing was awesome.”

– **John McVie, Fleetwood Mac**

“Concert promoters say (Xcel Energy Center) is becoming known as a place with fabulous acoustics, a friendly staff and the ability to make lots of money for the artist.”

– **John Nemo, Freelance Journalist**

GREAT SOUND IN THE ARENA? YOU HEARD IT HERE FIRST.

“You see a lot of buildings on tour and this, I have to say, is truly a standout. The acoustics are fantastic.”

– **Josh Groban**

“During the (Barenaked Ladies and Corrs) concert, I went behind the stage, and the sound was better there than behind the sound board in most arenas...(the acoustics) of the Xcel’s got it over every arena I’ve seen shows in...including the Target Center.”

– **Jim Walsh, Pop Music Critic**

“Concertgoers consistently praised the acoustics and the newness of the (Xcel Energy Center)...the best sounding arena ever in the Twin Cities – from all vantage points.”

– **Jon Bream, Star Tribune Pop Music Critic**