

tpt **MN** **channel**

Broadcast Information

OVERVIEW

As of February 18, 2009, **tpt** has a new line-up of digital channels that includes:

- **tpt2**
- **tptMN**
- **tptLIFE**

To receive over-the-air digital broadcasts, viewers need a digital TV or a digital conversion box. Twin Cities viewers can also access these channels through local cable or DirecTV. Because of the federally mandated delay in the digital conversion until June 12, 2009, viewers will still be able to view programs on analog **tpt2** and **tpt17**.

tptMN

- Minnesota Channel programs are broadcast on the full-time, statewide **tptMN** digital channel.
- Programs will premiere on **tptMN** on Sundays between 6pm and 10pm.
- Through on-air broadcast, cable and satellite services and with the support of a new network of ALL public television stations across the state, **tptMN** can be seen by nearly 100% of the population of Minnesota.
- All stations in Minnesota will broadcast each program on the same date and time
- Each program is shown statewide on **tptMN** many times during the year.
- Programs will repeat within an appropriate genre block ((World, Business & Tech, History, Environment & Science, Health & Education, Cultures & Politics).
- In the Twin Cities metro area, **tptMN** can be found over-the-air at 2-2 and is carried by Comcast and Mediacom Cable systems as well as by DirecTV. Check local listings for statewide coverage information.
- Typical **tptMN** programs are seen by 3,000 – 5,000 Twin Cities households, with the most popular programs watched by up to 70,000 households.
- **tptMN** is the home for coverage of the Minnesota State legislature.

tpt LIFE

- Minnesota Channel programs will have a second premiere on **tptLIFE** between 11am and 2pm on the Sunday following their **tptMN** premiere.
- The program service provided by **tptLIFE** includes repeats of national PBS programs and additional lifelong learning programming.
- **tptLIFE** can be found over-the-air only in the Twin Cities metro area, at 2-3, and is carried by Comcast and Mediacom Cable systems as well as by DirecTV.
- Until the full digital conversion in June 2009, **tptLIFE** will simulcast on analog **tpt17**.

tpt2

- This is the main program service of nationally distributed PBS programming
- It is the home to Almanac on Friday nights
- In the Twin Cities metro area, **tpt2** can be found over-the-air at digital 2-1 and analog channel 2 and is carried by Comcast and Mediacom Cable systems as well as by DirecTV.

education

arts

business

cultures

environment

faith

health

history

politics

science

world

technology