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Campus Calgary / Open Minds Ways of Knowing Calgary



Purpose |

Use this helpful document to learn more about Calgary. This is an opportunity to open up spaces and explore places that you may not have visited before... or perhaps an old 'friend' to return to.

Welcome to Calgary

Here are some suggestions of different places that you might wish to visit to get to know Calgary more. We have divided some central neighbourhoods into categories for you to use. Have fun exploring our city!

The Beltline

The Beltline region of Calgary includes the neighbourhoods of Connaught and Victoria Park. The name came from the "Beltline" Trolley 5 route which ran up 12 Avenue and down 17 Avenue.

Shopping

- Kit Interior Objects (725 11 Ave SW) | Think of iconic Eames chairs. This store carries classic modern furniture and home accessories.
- Gravity Pope (1126 17 Ave SW) | Incredibly cool footwear and clothing store.
- Purr (601 17 Ave SW) | A great selection for one-of-a-kind men's and women's clothing on 2 levels.

Eating and Drinking

- Ten Foot Henry (1209 1 St SW) | A fun, plant-filled space that offers vegetable-forward dishes in a family-style setting.
- Native Tongues (235 12 Ave SW) | A modern taqueria rooted in the traditional street and market foods of Mexico.
- Cibo (1012 17 Ave SW) | Contemporary Italian small plates and gourmet pizzas from this 2-level eatery. It also has a lovely outdoor patio.
- Made by Marcus Ice Cream (1013 17 Ave SW) | Amazing, handcrafted ice cream cones and sundaes.
- Tubby Dog (1022 17 Ave SW) | Relaxed restaurant specializing in hotdogs with surprisingly delicious toppings.
- Analog Coffee (534 17 Ave SW) | Excellent coffee in an excellent location.
- Cafe Beano (1613 9 St SW) | Casual coffee shop for specialty coffee.



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Arts and Entertainment

- Paul Khun Gallery (724 11 Ave SW)
- Newzones Gallery (730 11 Ave SW)
- Trepanier Baer Gallery (Suite 105 999 8 St SW)
- Herringer Kiss Gallery (709 11 Ave SW)

Sports and Activities

- Central City Bike Lanes: Rent a bike and explore the 6 km of protected bike lanes throughout downtown. Carry on through to the Rotary/Mattamy River pathway system.

Downtown

Calgary's downtown is where the city all started. It includes the iconic Calgary Tower, as well as historic Stephen Avenue.

Shopping

- The Core (324 8 Ave SW) | A huge shopping center which includes Devonian Gardens, an indoor tropical oasis in the heart of downtown.
- Stephen Avenue (340 8 Ave SW) | A pedestrian mall that features restaurants, shops and entertainment. A great place to grab a souvenir.

Eating and Drinking

- SAIT Culinary Campus (230 8 Ave SW #226) and Tastemarket (150, 444 7 Ave SW) | Calgary downtown urban eatery and innovative learning environment for future culinary entrepreneurs. All of the chefs are students and these are their test kitchens!
- Deville Coffee (807 1 St SW and 225 6th Ave SW) | Calgary-based and brewed coffee in six locations downtown.

Arts and Entertainment

- Glenbow Museum (130 9 Ave SE) | One of the largest museums in Western Canada, the Glenbow has been a key cultural cornerstone for 50 years. Its collection represents Western Canadian art and culture and host many different exhibits throughout the year.

East Village

The East Village is Calgary's newest oldest neighborhood. It is a happening area where hip eateries, indie music venues, galleries and clothing stores fill converted warehouses.

Shopping

- East Village Junction is a shipping-container shopping hub right across the street from Studio Bell. There might be live music. There might be a library display. There will be food trucks!
- Liz and Lottie (537 Riverfront Ave SE) | Cute shop specializing in a variety of goods from jewelry and cards to home decor.



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Eating and Drinking

- Mari Bakeshop (529 Riverfront Ave SE) offers beautiful breads, rolled sponge cake, choux pastries, sandwiches, and fluffy quiche.
- Simmons Building (618 Confluence Way SE) | Located along the beautiful Bow River, this 1912 brick warehouse, formerly a mattress company, now hosts 3 of Calgary's best places to eat and drink:
 - Sidewalk Citizen | Extraordinary bread, pastries and food.
 - Phil and Sebastian Coffee Roasters | Engineers turned coffee connoisseurs roast and brew their coffee in this space.
 - Charbar | Fresh, sustainable, local food with a great rooftop patio.

Arts and Entertainment

- Studio Bell, home of the National Music Center (850 4 St SE) | Exhibits on Canadian music history and hands-on instrument areas in a contemporary setting. Concerts in the auditorium and at the King Edward Hotel.
- Loose Moose Theatre (1235 26 Ave SE) | World-famous theatre featuring improvisational theatre on Friday and Saturday nights at 8 pm. Tickets online at www.loosemoose.com

Sports and Activities

- Riverwalk | Wanting to get away to nature or go for a run? A recently renovated cycling and pedestrian pathway runs along the Bow River. From this pathway you can soak in the beauty of the river and city skyline, explore Chinatown, stop to admire public art and discover the hustle and bustle of new construction in the community of East Village. Extend your trip across the arched George C. King Bridge (also called the Skipping Stone Bridge) and explore St. Patrick's Island. Marvel at "Bloom," a huge sculpture made out of streetlights. Dip your toe in the water. Grab food from a food truck and eat it there.

Transportation Information

- <http://www.airportshuttlecalgary.ca/>
- <http://www.airport-calgary.com/Transportation.cfm>
- <http://www.calgarytransit.com/>



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