

2024/25 SEASON ARTIST WELCOME PACKAGE

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We wish to acknowledge that the land on which we gather is Treaty No. 6 territory and a traditional meeting ground and home of the First Nations, including both the treaty signatories – Cree, Saulteaux, Nakota Sioux, Stony and Cree-Iroquois – as well as other Indigenous peoples, such as the Blackfoot and Métis, who occupy this land. We extend our appreciation for the opportunity to live, create and perform on this territory.

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This guide was compiled by Citadel Theatre's Artistic Administration Department.

If you have any questions about content, or if you have any suggestions for adds or edits please contact Artistic Coordinator, Wayne Paquette at wpaquette@citadeltheatre.com



WELCOME

Welcome to Edmonton and to the Citadel Theatre! We are thrilled to have you here with us for our 2024/25 Season.

This package is full of information for you about the Citadel and Edmonton, to help make your stay a great one. If this is your first trip to Edmonton, you'll quickly discover what a fantastic city it is!

Our Company Manager Peni Christopher is an excellent resource if you have questions. Her email is pchristopher@citadeltheatre.com or you can reach her at 780-428-2116. And feel free to ask questions of any of our staff.

We're excited to have you here, and hope you have a fantastic time. Consider this your home, and if there's anything we can do to help make your stay great, don't hesitate to ask.

Sincerely,

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FACILITY

The Citadel Theatre complex covers a full city block in downtown Edmonton in a neighbourhood called the **Arts District**. In addition to Citadel's complex, there is Edmonton City Hall, Churchill Square, The Stanley A. Milner Library, Art Gallery of Alberta, Royal Alberta Museum, and The Francis Winspear Centre for Music. The Citadel has five theatres:

The **Shoctor Theatre** has a proscenium stage with 638 seats and is one of the mainstages for the subscription season;

The **Maclab Theatre** has a stunning thrust stage and 704 seats. It is also a mainstage venue;

The **Rice Theatre** at the Citadel, a beautiful cabaret and black box theatre with flexible seating up to 175;

Zeidler Hall is an auditorium with 214 seats. Also used as a movie theatre;

The Tucker Amphitheatre a thrust stage in the Lee Pavilion (our plant-filled conservatory). Used for special events like weddings and receptions.

In addition to the performance spaces, we have:

- Shoctor Rehearsal Hall (2nd floor), our main rehearsal hall, adjacent to the Shoctor Theatre;
- "The Bentleys": Multipurpose rooms that are used for rehearsals, auditions, meetings and fittings (3rd floor);
- Foote Theatre School with a separate entrance to three spacious classrooms (2nd floor). The Citadel offers a wide variety of classes for ages 3 and up.
- Production offices and shops for props, scenic carpentry, wardrobe and administration (2nd & 3rd floor);
- The Lee Pavilion.

The Shoctor, The Maclab and The Rice each have their own green room, and dressing rooms.

The Citadel Theatre is wheelchair accessible, however we recognize that there may be barriers based on individual needs. Detailed venue photos are available here (password: venue). Please let us know if you'd like a custom pathway video made that aligns with your residency spaces!

Maps for the Citadel Theatre are included at the end of this document. For a 3D tour of the Citadel Theatre, please click here. (Click arrow or cube in bottom left corner to see venue options.)

For a map of Downtown Edmonton, please click here.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS WELCOME

On behalf of the Board of Directors, I'm thrilled to welcome you to the Citadel's 2024/25 season! Edmonton has a vibrant arts community, and we are very proud to be a part of it - proud of the art on our stages and of artists like you who make it happen.

We are also focused on ensuring that your experience within the Citadel's workplace is a positive one, and our Board members and Citadel staff are here to support you. If you'd like to discuss any aspect of your experience with me directly, I encourage you to contact me at my personal email address: BoardChair@citadeltheatre.com.

Thank you for being a part of the Citadel team, and I look forward to enjoying your work this season! **Jennifer Addison**, *Chair*

CITADEL THEATRE'S BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

Jennifer Addison, Chair
Roger Babichuk, Treasurer
Gerard Merkosky, Vice Chair
Constance Scarlett
Derrique DeGagné
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STAFF

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^{*}If you need to reach someone within the Company Management team outside of regular business hours, please call 780-801-3699.

GENERAL PROCEDURES

GETTING PAID (ARTISTS ON CONTRACT WITH CITADEL THEATRE)

WEEKLY PAYMENTS

Our Company Manager arranges with the Payroll Accountant to have direct deposits (or pay cheques) prepared weekly and given to the Stage Manager on Thursday afternoon. If you have any concerns about your weekly payment, the Company Manager will be happy to assist you.

DIRECT DEPOSIT

Whenever possible, Citadel Theatre prefers to pay artists using direct deposit. If you'd like to take advantage of the safe and efficient method of direct deposit for your weekly pay, contact our Company Manager. If you have been paid before at the Citadel by direct deposit, this method will continue unless you give us written instructions to change to payment by cheque.

TAXES

T4 and T4A slips will be sent to your address on record at income tax time (on or before February 28 of the next year). Please ensure that the Payroll Department has your correct address.

*Please note that international artist payments are processed in a different manner and will be communicated to you separately.

MAKING CONTACT WITH THE OUTSIDE WORLD

MAIL

Mail, phone messages, or packages received on your behalf will be forwarded to your Stage Management team. <u>Please note:</u> Citadel Theatre is a registered charity; all mail received is opened by Reception in the presence of two staff members. If you would like to have mail or packages (Amazon, from family, etc) sent to the theatre and have it remain unopened, please ensure all correspondence is sent to:

Your Name c/o SHOW TITLE Stage Management Private and Confidential 9828 101A Avenue NW Edmonton, AB T5J 3C6

Daily mail delivery usually arrives around 10:00 a.m. Company mail is usually put into the Stage Manager's mailbox by 11:00 a.m. Please note: Any packages originating from the US are subject to brokerage fees, which will be charged back to you. It is best to order from a Canadian company whenever possible (via Canadian websites).

Need stamps? The nearest post office is located in Shoppers Drug Mart (in City Centre Mall, northwest of Citadel Theatre).

If you'd like to use our courier service, you will have to pay in advance (credit card is best) – please see our Company Manager to coordinate.

PHONE/FAX

If you need to make a landline call within the building or send a fax, please see your Stage Manager or our Company Manager.

WIRELESS NETWORK

Wifi network is <u>Citadel Theatre</u>. There is no password required.



STAYING INFORMED AND SAFE AT THE CITADEL

CALL BOARDS

The call boards located in or near Green Rooms and rehearsal spaces are reserved for official company information such as rehearsal and performance calls, CAEA/PACT correspondence, and invitations for the company.

EMERGENCIES

Your Stage Manager will take you through emergency protocols on your first day. Fire alarm and evacuation procedure, as well as first aid kit and AED locations, will be part of these activities. A member of Citadel's Production team will discuss additional emergency procedures on your first day onstage.

SECURITY & BUILDING ACCESS

Parts of the Citadel Theatre complex are accessible to the public. For that reason, we have many doors that have codes, which your Stage Manager will supply you with (Administration office, Shoctor Backstage and Maclab Backstage). Since the Citadel Theatre is partly accessible to the public, we strongly recommend caution with your personal belongings. Whenever possible, lock your belongings in your dressing room or give them to your Stage Manager. At no time should doors be propped open – please ensure any locking doors close behind you. Please report any suspicious activity to your Stage Manager, Security, or a Citadel Theatre staff person. Should you require access to a locked space outside of show or rehearsal times (for example: you left your wallet in your dressing room and the door is locked) or you require immediate assistance, call **ACM Security: 780-860-9447**

ILLNESS PROTOCOLS

Each company on contract at Citadel Theatre will be given an Illness Protocols document prior to rehearsals beginning. Please ask Stage Management or Artistic Administration Staff if you have any questions!

GUIDELINES

SMOKING/VAPING

Smoking and vaping are not permitted in the Citadel Theatre (City of Edmonton Bylaw 6177). Please note that a city bylaw covers all parts of the theatre complex (including exterior within 10m of all doors) and is in effect 24 hours a day.

SUBSTANCE ABUSE

The consumption of alcohol on Theatre premises, other than at Citadel-related functions such as receptions and opening nights, is not permitted and offenders will be subject to disciplinary action. Anyone consuming alcohol at a Citadel-related function is encouraged to drink responsibly. The use of marijuana or illegal drugs on Theatre premises is not permitted and offenders will be subject to disciplinary action. Any employee reporting for work while under the influence of illegal drugs, alcohol or marijuana will be barred from the premises and subject to disciplinary action.

SCENTED PRODUCTS

Citadel Theatre is a scent-free workplace. We ask that you refrain from wearing perfume, cologne or other scented products (soap, hairspray, creams, aftershave) while working at the Citadel Theatre. Please talk to your Stage Manager for additional information.

BACKSTAGE VISTORS

For the health and safety of all staff, artists and crew, only Citadel staff and those involved in Citadel productions may enter backstage or rehearsal areas. Please do not invite guests backstage after a performance. Guests are welcome to wait for you in the lobby.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH & EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

Luc Tellier, our Director of Education & Outreach, may have opportunities for you and fellow company members to participate in during your time at the Citadel. These opportunities can include Talkbacks or other informal "chats" with members of the public (all ages). Your Company will be contacted, as requests come up, to see if you are interested. Agreeing to these requests is strictly optional.

POST-PRODUCTION EXIT SURVEY

The Citadel Theatre is committed to providing a welcoming and safe place for artists to take creative risks. Part of that is ensuring that all our artists are given opportunity to share their experience, in hopes that the team at The Citadel Theatre can continue to grow, shift understanding, and challenge our own expectations. Immediately following the close of a production, Citadel Theatre will send an online survey that allows for you to share your thoughts, concerns or ideas with our Leadership team and Board of Directors Culture & Community Committee – these responses can be completely anonymous, or you can include your name.

CHILD ACTOR(S) IN COMPANY (if applicable)

Section 59 of the CTA spells out the theatre's responsibility for the care and treatment of young actors until the age of 16. Additionally, the Citadel Theatre has developed our own policy and procedures for the special circumstances that arise when children are in the company. We post a copy of Section 59 and our policy on the callboard whenever there are children in an acting company. Youth actors have been instructed to stay out of the dressing rooms of the adult company members, unless so assigned. If you have any questions about the presence of child(ren) in your company, please talk to your Stage Manager or our Company Manager.

COMPLIMENTARY TICKETS

An email detailing all complimentary tickets will be sent by Artistic Administration staff during the first week of your production. All Company Members are offered the following for the production on which they work:

• 2 Press Night tickets: a Citadel staff person will send an invitation email about 3 weeks before the opening performance offering tickets for your show. Press Night tickets must be pre-booked and can only be picked up at the Box Office about an hour before the performance and are held under <u>your</u> name. **Please only ask for press night tickets if you are sure they will be use.

- A maximum of 2 tickets (subject to availability) for any performance (excluding press night and the final week of the run): These are booked by going to the Box Office and telling the staff that you are a Company Member of "Show Title". Your name will be on the company list for your show. These tickets can be picked up by your guest up to an hour before the performance and are held under your name. Tickets must be booked at least 48 hours in advance of desired performance. All comps will be booked at back of house at the time of the booking request. On the day of the performance, comps will be assigned into best available seats (subject to availability).
- 2 Half-Price tickets (excluding press night and the final week of the run): Go to the Box Office and tell the staff that you are a Company member. Your name will be on the company list for your show. These tickets should be paid at time of booking and can be picked up by your guest up to an hour before the performance and are held under your name.

You may also have an opportunity to see other Citadel Mainstage productions that may be running during your time of residency. Each company member is able to access 1 complementary ticket (based on availability). These are booked by going to the Box Office and telling the staff that you are a Company member of "Show Title." Your name will be on the company list for your show.

INDUSTRY PASS/ "EQUITY RATE"

As an artist at the Citadel Theatre, you are eligible to purchase an Industry Pass for the current season for \$20 + GST. This pass allows you to purchase \$20-25 + GST tickets to any Citadel Theatre production during that season, and discounted tickets to other events (some restrictions apply). Industry Pass Holders can purchase ONE ticket at the Industry Pass price per production (additional tickets are at regular price.) The Industry Pass discount is only valid for the first two weeks of a run. The Industry Pass tickets are available starting 10 days prior to the first performance. Additional benefits for pass holders are available at partner Edmonton Theatre Companies (so you can see other shows during your rehearsal period in Edmonton). Please contact the Box Office for more information, or to purchase: boxoffice@citadeltheatre.com / 780-425-1820.

The Industry Pass is an affordable option for other theatre colleagues to see your show for approx. \$45.00 + GST\$ (for pass, show ticket, and fee). This is our "Equity Rate." They can then see other shows for \$50 + GST\$ in our season, or in our community at a discounted rate!



POLICIES

As we embark on this creative journey together, we want to ensure that our environment remains one of respect, kindness, and transparency. To support this, we have established a comprehensive policy package that outlines the expectations for all our artists. It is essential that you read, acknowledge, and adhere to these guidelines to foster a collaborative and harmonious community.

Our Artist Policy Package includes the following areas:

- Code of Conduct
- Confidentiality
- Privacy
- Whistleblower
- Complimentary Tickets
- Attendance & Absenteeism
- Respectful Workplace
- Substance Abuse & Impairment at Work
- General Health & Safety
- Smoke-Free Environment
- Computer Network, Email & Internet Usage
- Social Media Use

Please note that these policies apply to all Team Members of the Theatre, including staff and Contracted Team Members such as artists. Any provisions specified in a Collective Agreement or artist association agreement will take precedence over the policies outlined in this package where applicable. Please review the Artist Policy Package via the link below to familiarize yourself with these relevant policies. Thank you for your commitment to upholding these standards and contributing to a positive and productive environment.

Artist Policy Package

SAFE DISCLOSURE PROCESS

The Citadel Theatre endeavours to provide a safe, respectful, and healthy environment for those working on its premises, its patrons, and third-party contractors. Violence, bullying, and workplace and/or sexual harassment will not be tolerated. The Citadel Theatre encourages individuals to report instances of workplace harassment as soon as possible. We want your voice to be heard.

As a proactive participant in CAEA and PACT's <u>Not In Our Space</u> Program, the Citadel Theatre will present an antiharassment statement on the first day of rehearsal that will include the different ways individuals can report concerns.

The Citadel Theatre has multiple reporting options (please use the one that best suits your personal comfort and the situation). All artists and crew can:

- Reach out directly to the Stage Manager, CAEA Liaison (CAEA Members), Director, Company Manager, Director of Production, IATSE Union Steward, Artistic Director, Executive Director, or Citadel's Board President for support or to ask questions.
 - Professional affiliation links:
 - o https://www.caea.com/Features/Not-In-Our-Space, CAEA Members
 - o https://designers.ca/, ADC Members.
- Fill out a survey immediately following any Citadel Theatre production to share your experiences or feedback (either anonymously or with your name), and/or;
- Utilize the Citadel Theatre's third-party Safe Disclosure Process.

SAFE DISCLOSURE PROCESS

The Citadel Theatre is committed to providing a safe, neutral, and confidential space for anyone wanting to bring information forward. We encourage you to reach out through the Citadel Theatre's third-party Safe Disclosure Process if you have concerns that you do not feel comfortable sharing with anyone directly related to the production or the Citadel Theatre.

The program will offer e-mail as a first point of contact with the option for a follow up conversation or meeting with a disclosure advisor. Participants will be given the option of meeting with a male or female advisor. This program is being managed through Wade King, a Rights, Equity and Safe Disclosure Specialist. You can initiate contact by emailing citadeldisclosure@bell.net.

No identifiable information will be forwarded unless specifically requested by you. The safe disclosure process will be reviewed with you in detail upon making a report. Information about resources and/or supports can be made available during the process as well.

The Citadel Theatre Disclosure Program facilitates reports of wrongdoing and ensures that there is a safe space for the "Citadel Community" to come forward to share concerns related to their employment or experiences with the Citadel Theatre. Users can expect a reporter-led, trauma-informed process that enables them to share their experience, understand their options (if any) for resolution and access resources.

EXECUTIVE LEADERSHIP CONTACTS

The Citadel Executive Leadership are also available to meet and answer any questions or provide additional support:

Daryl Cloran, Artistic Director dcloran@citadeltheatre.com
Jessie van Rijn, Executive Director jvanrijn@citadeltheatre.com
Jennifer Addison, Citadel Theatre Board Chair BoardChair@citadeltheatre.com
Kayla van Sterren, HR Manager ksterren@citadeltheatre.com

PLEASE NOTE: Confidentiality—relating both to the fact that a complaint has been made and to any investigation of complaints—will be maintained to the greatest extent possible. Only persons with a reason to know will have access to information relating to the complaint and its investigation.



PUBLICITY & SOCIAL MEDIA

If you have any questions about the following publicity or social media information, please contact Brianna Gallagher, Director of Marketing and Sales (bgallagher@citadeltheatre.com) or Susie Chmait, Media and Communications Manager (schmailt@citadeltheatre.com).

MEDIA COVERAGE

Throughout the season, the Marketing Department works to maintain good relationships with the media by inviting them to review productions and by offering story ideas and interviews.

- If you have personal contacts in the media, please share with the Marketing Department before reaching out to your contact. Citadel Theatre has pre-existing relationships with different outlets, and we follow a routine/schedule that best serves the production.
- We welcome any information about events personal or professional and pitch ideas that we can pass on to the media.
- You may be approached through Stage Management to conduct interviews with the media or be available at our media call.

PHOTOGRAPHS

Photos are traditionally taken for publicity purposes during dress rehearsal. Citadel Theatre will post approved photos (or "Press Photos") online shortly after we get them from the photographer. Any images shared will be credited appropriately (i.e.: designed by, photo of, etc). A link to a "Press Photos" folder (along with credit document) will be shared through Stage Management. Due to contractual obligations, any photos posted online by Citadel Theatre or artists must be accompanied by the credits shared in the credit document.

MEDIA PACKAGES

To be environmentally friendly, the Marketing Team will provide digital versions of media clippings and reviews towards the end of the production run, upon request, by electronic transfer.

PHOTO/VIDEO CAPTURE DURING REHEARSALS AND PERFORMANCES

We love social media and showing off behind-the-scenes content for our followers. However, the use of video and photography in rehearsals and backstage is controlled through the Canadian Theatre Agreement, to which Citadel Theatre (and all artists, crew, and staff) must follow.

43:10 Capture of Material in Rehearsal or Backstage

- (A) Capture During Rehearsal
 - Recordings made and photographs taken in rehearsal shall be allowed with notice corresponding to the declared use. However, any Artist may withdraw their consent for the recording of material at any time by informing either Stage Management or a representative of the Theatre.
- (B) Capture Backstage

Specific permission to record any activities backstage including in or around dressing rooms must be requested in writing no later than twenty-four (24) hours in advance. No Artist shall be penalized in any way for refusing to grant permission for the capture of material in these areas. The only exception to this Clause is the capture of rehearsal material at a Dress Rehearsal, where the standard 24 hour notice shall apply. There shall be no capture of material during the half-hour call or in the wings during a performance. To this end, no camera or cell phones shall be permitted in the wings or on stage with the exception of those used by Stage Management for emergencies.

In short, there are some instances in which filming and photography backstage is permitted, but company-wide notice and approval must take place first. Please check in with your Stage Manager or Susie Chmait, Media and Communications Manager (schmait@citadeltheatre.com) if you are interested in capture of material in rehearsal or backstage during your time at Citadel Theatre.

How do these CTA clauses translate into your show and experience at the Citadel?

- The Director and Stage Manager will confirm what the policy is for rehearsals with the company on the first day of
 rehearsals, and appropriate standing notice will be shared in schedules (if applicable). If anyone in the rehearsal
 hall expresses concern about this activity to Stage Management or Citadel Theatre staff during the rehearsal
 process, rehearsal hall footage will be discontinued. No individual will be penalized in any way for withdrawing
 consent.
- Please do not bring your phones backstage (the threshold of the theatre backstage doors) during technical rehearsals unless permission is specifically granted and communicated (43:10B).
- Please do not capture any content (including in the Green Room) within the half-hour call.
- To reflect on the 24-hour request for behind-the-scenes photography stipulated in 43:10B (including wig and wardrobe area, green room, dressing room hallway and dressing rooms): Citadel will officially ask all artists and crew on each production in the week before technical rehearsals if behind-the-scenes photography may be captured on personal cellphones up until the half-hour call for the duration of technical rehearsals or performances for any given show. All staff, crew and artists will be given an opportunity to anonymously express consent or concerns to a Citadel representative. If anyone expresses concern to one of the above individuals anonymously, behind-the-scenes footage will not be allowed. No individual will be penalized in any way for refusing to grant permission.

SOCIAL MEDIA

We encourage all Artists working at the Citadel Theatre to help generate word-of-mouth buzz, awareness and excitement about the production. If you do choose to post about the show, we ask that you adhere to the following guidelines:

Share, link, post away! Please tag Citadel Theatre social accounts so we can reshare your posts! Twitter (CitadelTheatre); Facebook (CitadelTheatre), Instagram (CitadelTheatreYEG), TikTok (CitadelTheatreYeg)

- **Spoiler Alert!** Please respect the artistic integrity of the production. We ask that you do not post any images, comments or details that may compromise someone's enjoyment of a production. We also ask that you respect the work of your colleagues in all posts and credit appropriately.
- @#\$%&! Please avoid the use of swears or insensitive language when posting about the show we won't be able to reshare any content that has inappropriate language.
- **Rehearsal Photos:** Citadel Theatre recognizes each production is unique, based on the individuals in the rehearsal hall. Some processes will allow for photos or videos to be captured in the hall, and some will not.

Please respect the wishes of the Company when it is decided on the first day of rehearsal and shared by either the Director or Stage Manager.

- Please give your colleagues a heads-up and ask their permission before taking and sharing photos of them (See "Capture During Rehearsals and Performances" above). If you have an image that has the okay to share, we encourage you to send it to schmait@citadeltheatre.com or tag Citadel so we may share it as well!
- **Give credit where credit is due.** Any images shared should be credited appropriately (i.e.: designed by, photo of, etc.), especially if any design elements are included (Example: showing your wig and costume? Please tag/credit the Costume Designer!).
- Before posting to a blog/media site, please let us know. If you write a post for a media site or
 your personal blog, we would appreciate you letting us know so we can help confirm any
 details and are aware when it goes live.
- Please be kind and respectful of the process, your fellow artists and Citadel Theatre. Please consider posting content or comments that are positive in tone. If you have feedback that is sensitive in nature about a fellow artist, the show or the company, please discuss the situation with your Stage Manager, the Company Manager, or another representative from Citadel's Safe Disclosure Process.
- Please consider adding captions to videos for accessibility. Add using Caption option in Stickers (How? Click here.)
- Errors or omissions if you come across misinformation (i.e.: typos, incorrect or missing crediting, etc.) in any Citadel Theatre posts, please let us know right away so we can get it fixed. We encourage you to contact us directly rather than commenting or calling out the error online. We do our best to ensure accuracy of all posts; however, there is always a human at the keyboard.
- When in doubt, ask! Please don't hesitate to direct any questions to:
 Brianna Gallagher, Director of Marketing and Sales (<u>bgallagher@citadeltheatre.com</u>)

 Susie Chmait, Media and Communications Manager (<u>schmait@citadeltheatre.com</u>))

SOCIAL MEDIA TAKEOVERS

The Citadel Theatre periodically allows for artists to volunteer to host "takeovers" on our company Instagram account when there is space in our social media calendar. Artists must volunteer, and there is no compensation for the activity.

The purpose of the Social Media Takeover is to build community, promote the production and encourage audiences to attend the show you are involved in. Promotion of other personal projects is allowed (promotion of album, next projects, etc) but should be kept to a minimum.

Please keep the following things in mind when an Instagram Takeover is agreed to:

- Please post Story posts only during the window of time allowed.
- <u>Videos on Citadel's Instagram must include captions for accessibility.</u> Add using Caption option in Stickers (How? Click here.)
- Please be mindful of language and refrain from using any swears or insensitive/inappropriate language (our audiences online include all ages!).
- Include a link to the show ticket page by using the Link option in Stickers (How? Click here.)

- Please ask permission before filming any other company members or staff and be sure to tag them if they wish to be tagged. Do not film company members or crew unless you have consent.
- The Communications Specialist will answer direct messages and any other tags/notifications
 that come separate from the Takeover (especially during busy times when multiple events are
 happening during same period).
- The Communications Specialist may create a Story highlight on The Citadel Theatre Instagram account once the Takeover is complete.
- A temporary password will be created for the day of the Takeover. Two-factor authentication requires the Communications Specialist to accept the sign-in and does not allow for the password to be changed by the Artist.
- Citadel Theatre reserves the right to end the Takeover at any time and/or delete any materials posted by an Artist that may contain inappropriate content, language or incorrect/misleading information.

Tips/Ideas:

- Introduce yourself, your role or involvement, tag your personal account (to reshare content to personal account during Takeover).
- Speak on why people should come see the show what makes it unique, interesting, a must-see.
- Use a question box, polls, or other engagement options an easy way to generate content. Video replies tend to be more engaging than pictures with text.
- With consent, involve other company members have them introduce themselves, their character, their favourite line or part of the show.
- Showing audiences how you prepare (pre-show rituals) or what you like about working at the Citadel (our building, favourite YEG spots if from out of town, etc)
- Create videos using appropriate trending audio from Instagram or TikTok.
- Create transition videos from costume to costume, or your own street clothes to costume.
- Timelapse of wig or makeup application.



EXPLORE EDMONTON

THE CITY

Citadel Theatre is located in Amiskwaciwâskahikan / ◁୮ʰb·ਿ੍ਟਾਂ-ʰbʰ∆bˀ (Edmonton, AB). Amiskwaciwâskahikan (pronunciation) means "Beaver Hill House" or Beaver Mountain House" in Cree. We are on Treaty No. 6 territory and a traditional meeting ground and home of the First Nations, including both the treaty signatories – Cree, Saulteaux, Nakota Sioux, Stony and Cree-Iroquois – as well as other Indigenous peoples, such as the Blackfoot and Métis, who occupy this land. Treaty No. 6 extends through central Alberta and Saskatchewan.

Edmonton is a cultural, governmental and educational centre, and is the capital city of Alberta. It is the 2nd largest city in Alberta and the 5th largest city in Canada. The current metro area population is 1,519,000 (in 2022). It is the fastest growing Canadian city and the youngest (a larger proportion of kids, millennials, and working-age people than the national average). The city is situated on the North Saskatchewan River, and hosts a year-round slate of festivals, reflected in the nickname "Canada's Festival City."

Expect to see vast prairie skies (that offer both glorious sunsets and earthshaking thunderstorms), a river valley full of trees, and never-ending sunshine; it truly is a stunning place to live and work.

WEATHER

Summer

Edmonton's summers are from June to August and tend to be warm and dry. During the summer Edmonton can have up to 17 hours of sunlight! (The sun rises at 5:30 a.m. and doesn't set until 10:00 p.m. most nights!)

Occasionally in July and August, you can catch a spectacular thunder and lightning storm during the evening.

Fall

In the fall, the leaves start changing colours mid-September and fall off the trees throughout October and into November, creating a beautiful tapestry of colours in the river valley. Expect crisp, cool nights with sunny days.

Winter

Winter is the coldest time of year in Edmonton and includes snow fall as early as November and as late as March. The city becomes a winter wonderland. Most of the snow fall in the region happens from December to February. Also, in the wintertime the Aurora Borealis (Northern Lights) can be seen on a regular basis. If you are doing a show here between November and March – make sure to pack warm snow boots, a hooded parka, mitts, etc.

As past artists have put it:

"It's not cold if you dress for it!"

"It's likely you'll be in Edmonton during the winter months and that makes one want to stay inside and not explore much outside of the Citadel neighborhood. It is worth braving the outdoors. Edmontonians are aware of

how difficult the weather can be, and so they create opportunities to appreciate incredible food, winter festivals, concerts, and superb theatre. The effort you put into Edmonton will come back ten-fold."

Spring

Spring in Edmonton generally happens between April, May and into June. At this time the temperature starts to increase, and the plants and flowers start to bloom around the city, and our valleys, parks and boulevards explode in greenery as the trees begin to bud.

Average Temperatures

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
High °C	-7	-3	2	11	18	21	23	22	17	11	1	-5
Low °C	-16	-13	-8	-1	5	10	12	11	6	0	-8	-14
High °F	19	27	36	52	64	70	73	72	63	52	34	23
Low °F	3	9	18	30	41	50	54	52	43	32	18	7

TRANSPORTATION

Getting around Edmonton is easy! We have many options for transportation.

WAYFINDING

Edmonton works on a numbered grid system, with center of city being 100 Ave and 100 Street. Citadel Theatre is two blocks off this point and can be used as your reference to "centre." Streets to the east of this point go down in number and go up to the west. Avenues to the south go down in number and go up to the north. When we say, "north side" or "south side," we're referring to areas that are north or south of the river. "East side" or "west side" refers to areas that are east or west of the downtown core.

Edmonton's main downtown street is called "Jasper Avenue" (101 Avenue for most of its length). You'll also see "Whyte Avenue" a lot in this guide; it is 82 Avenue and is just south of the river.

WALKING

The Citadel Theatre is accessible by foot if you are staying in the downtown core. As with any major city, stay alert and aware of your surroundings (don't be a distracted walker). **HINT: DO NOT JAYWALK. Edmonton Police are notorious for ticketing jaywalkers.

CYCLING

The City of Edmonton has recently installed <u>bike lanes</u> in many neighbourhoods that are open year-round (snow tires recommended for Nov-Mar contracts). There are exterior bike racks at Citadel – ensure you have very high-quality bike lock(s). Should you have any questions or concerns about having your bike at Citadel, please talk to the Company Manager.

PARKING

There is no way around it: parking in downtown Edmonton can be expensive (but handy!). There are plenty of options for parking vehicles in our area, and we recommend doing your research to see what lot works best for you and your vehicle (underground, surface, height restrictions, walking distance, etc). Citadel Theatre currently has access to discount underground parking in Canada Place for staff and artists, with parking spots available on P3 or P4. The discount code to use is **2024**. The rate structure is as follows:

Mon-Fri 6am-6pm \$12

Mon-Fri 4pm-6am \$3

Mon-Fri 6am-6am \$15

Sat-Sun 6am-6pm \$3

Sat-Sun 4pm-6am \$3

Sat-Sun 6am-6am \$6

There are instructions for the parking discount on our website (via Subscriber Benefits) https://citadeltheatre.com/benefits/ (and/or please see down below).

Please note: this offer is subject to change, based on external arrangements with Canada Place. Any issues arising for Artists or Staff must be done with Canada Place / Impark. Citadel accepts no responsibility for any issues or damages from the use of this parking lot. Thank you.

PARKING DISCOUNT INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. Park underground in the Canada Place Impark Lot #360 on 102 Ave
- 2. Find the nearest parking meter.
- 3. Enter Your License Plate. You will see the screen below:



- 4. For daytime hours, please select the options that says Guest Srvcs to 6 pm. (Please note: if you do not see this option, you may need to press 5) for more options). For evening hours, please select the option that says Guest Srvcs to 6 am.
- 5. Enter your coupon code 2024.
- 6. You will see the screen below and will then need to complete payment.



*Please note – This parking discount is not available in the Canada Place City of Edmonton EPark parkade with entrance and exit on 97th St. Maximum vehicle height clearance is 6'6". This offer/system is subject to change. Please let our team know if you have any questions.

Alternative Underground Parking

If you are working in Edmonton between November and March, an underground parkade will offer best protection from the elements. The underground parkades closest to Citadel Theatre are owned and operated by the City of Edmonton and Impark (Canada Place, North Lot). Regular daily rates in these lots are up to \$20-30 (M-F, midnight-midnight) or \$25 max (Sat/Sun, midnight to midnight). For more information on the cheapest place to park during your residency, please contact Peni Christopher (pchristopher@citadeltheatre.com). HINT Split the cost with other artists in your company and carpool.

Street Parking and Surface Lots

Street parking is extremely limited (and only available for 1-2 hours). Read the signs on city streets very carefully and follow the directions. There are a few parking spaces on the south and north side of the building, but time limits are short, and ticketing is frequent. Some street parking is free after 6:00 p.m. and all day on Sunday. There are many private parking lots (Impark, etc) within a 10-minute walk to the Citadel. These surface lots can be cheaper but may be harder to find empty spots.

BUS AND LIGHT RAIL TRANSIT (LRT) Edmonton Transit Service Website

Depending on the location of your accommodation, public transit is an excellent option. Citadel Theatre is in downtown Edmonton and next to the Churchill LRT Station and on many major bus routes. Many of our staff take public transit to work and find it an affordable and fast option for commuting. Be sure to check potential transit route options for your post-show commute, to ensure you have a safe and direct ride home.

UBER https://www.uber.com/global/en/cities/edmonton/

EDMONTON TAXI http://edmtaxi.com/ Shared app/dispatch for Yellow Cab, Barrel Taxi, Checker Cab, Prestige Cab, Capital Taxi, 24-7 Taxi, Sherwood Park Yellow Cab and Leduc Yellow Cab.



ENJOY YOUR STAY!

Edmonton is a bustling city with many different neighbourhoods for shopping, restaurants and services. Much of this guide will focus on close-to-downtown areas (with a few special shout outs to popular neighbourhoods around the city).

Need some help? The staff at Citadel Theatre and local artists in your company LOVE talking about Edmonton and are quick to offer restaurant suggestions, things to do, and must-see spots of our beautiful city!

BRINGING YOUR FAMILY? EQUIPMENT, CHILDCARE & ACTIVITIES

The Citadel Theatre recognizes that working away from home when you have children can be stressful, especially when it is an infant or toddler.

If you are bringing a young family member to Edmonton and would like to avoid packing along a ton of "baby/kid stuff", please inquire about our **Family Lending Library** with Artistic Administration for things like stroller, pack n play, toys, books and more (subject to availability).

If you need to arrange a private and quiet place to pump, nurse, or feed while at Citadel, please let us know and we'd be happy ensure you have a private, comfy spot (and access to fridge or freezer if you need it).

If you require the services of a nanny/ babysitter, we recommend the "Babysitters for Artists: YEG" Facebook page (private group); Edmonton's theatre community is tight-knit, and we have a plethora of artists who take on short-term childcare/nanny gigs.

Edmonton also has plenty of family-friendly activities and places, should you wish to have some adventure on your day off or before evening shows. If you would like assistance in ensuring your family's comfort and enjoyment during your stay, please contact Artistic Administration staff!





PLEASE NOTE: THE FOLLOWING OFFERINGS ARE INCLUDED AS FYI, AND MAY NOT BE AVAILABLE DUE TO CLOSURES. PLEASE RESEARCH A BUSINESS TO ENSURE OPERATING HOURS.

RETAIL & SERVICES

SHOPPING

<u>City Centre Mall</u>: around the corner from Citadel Theatre (and connected via PEDWAY). There is a diverse selection of clothing, shoe, gift and health & beauty stores. Also has a food court for quick lunches!

Whyte Avenue (82 Avenue between Gateway Blvd/109 Street in "Old Strathcona") and 124th Street (between Jasper Avenue and 109 Avenue in "Westmount"):

Two funky neighbourhoods to explore clothing/art/gift/record/comic shops, restaurants, and galleries.

West Edmonton Mall: The one. The only. North America's largest mall, with over 800 stores.

GIFTS

Looking for a unique gift or Edmonton keepsake? These local artisans and curated shops have diverse selections of jewelry, art, décor, clothing and more!

- The Artworks
- Tix on the Square

- Art Gallery of Alberta Gift Shop
- The Prints & The Paper

FLOWERS (all local florists make regular deliveries to Citadel Theatre)

- The Artworks \$\$\$, located 2 blocks from Citadel, 780-420-6311
- Graham and Lane \$\$, 780-429-1637
- Best Buds \$, 780-488-1302

BANKS

All the following banks have ATM's nearby plus regular banking hours.

RBC Royal Bank, 10200 102 Ave NW UNIT D219 (in Edmonton City Centre) Scotiabank, 10220 103 Ave NW

TD Canada Trust, 10205 101 St NW (in City Centre Mall)

Servus Credit Union, 10747 100 Ave NW

CIBC, 10102 Jasper Ave (in Commerce Place)

The Bank of Montreal, 10185 101 St NW

HBSC. 10250 101 St NW

Alberta Treasury Branch (ATB), 10200 102 Ave NW D207 (in Edmonton City Centre)

PHARMACIES

Pharmacies/drug stores in Edmonton include Shoppers Drug Mart, London Drugs, Rexall, The Medicine Shoppe, and many smaller family establishments. The closest pharmacy to Citadel Theatre is Shoppers Drug Mart in City Centre Mall.



FOOD

GROCERIES:

- Loblaws City Market Ice District, 10308 103 St NW, is the closest full grocery store to Citadel Theatre.
- Save-on-Foods 10180 109 St NW
- Safeway at Oliver Square 11410 104 Ave.
- Sunterra Market in Commerce Place (10180 109 St NW) is a short walk from Citadel and a great place for, fresh fruit, bakery items, bread, salads and fully prepared meals to take home for later.
- Shoppers Drug Mart in Edmonton City Centre has some groceries.
- Instacart, grocery delivery app, is available in Edmonton.

SPECIALTY FOODS:

- Orii Vegan & Vegetarian Market Edmonton's very own Vegan and Vegetarian grocery store. They carry a
 huge variety of meat and dairy alternatives.
- <u>Earth's General Store</u> organic groceries, fair trade goods, vegan products. Bulk/no waste shopping.
- Blush Lane Organic Market organic groceries, fair trade goods, vegan products.
- <u>Italian Centre Shop</u> 3 locations in Edmonton. Specialty groceries. Great for meats, cheeses, fresh produce, olives, pastas and bakery items.
- <u>K & K Foodliner</u> voted Edmonton's best meat shop and best import shop.
- Cavern specialty cheese shop (also a café!)
- <u>Silk Road Spice Merchant</u> specialty shop that offers a complete selection of top-quality whole and ground spices, dried herbs, dried chiles and chile powders, and hand-blended spice mixtures and rubs to cooks and food lovers across Canada. They also carry cocktail supplies (bitters, syrups).
- Ben's Meats- has a bunch of gluten-free frozen foods.

LIQUOR STORES

- Lots of small local shops in downtown.
- Major chains of liquor stores in Edmonton are Liquor Depot and ACE Liquor
- The Sunterra Cellar, Commerce Place 2nd floor, 10150 Jasper Ave NW
- deVine Wines and Spirits, 10111 104 Street NW

FOOD DELIVERY SERVICES

Try some of Edmonton's favourite restaurants without leaving the comfort of your accommodation! Check the restaurant's website for how to order delivery, or pick a restaurant from one of these delivery services:

• Skip the Dishes

Just Eat

UberEATS

Door Dash

MARKETS

Three year-round farmer markets we think you should check out are:

- Old Strathcona Farmers Market, near Whyte Ave and Gateway, Saturdays 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
- Downtown Farmers' Market: 104th Street, north of Jasper Ave. 10 am to 3 pm on Saturdays.
- <u>Bountiful Market</u>, 10am 4pm every Friday and Sunday; 9am 5pm every Saturday, 20 min drive from downtown. (3696 97 Street)

RESTAURANTS

Edmonton has an exploding food scene, with some incredible new restaurants and innovative culinary creators! We highly recommend spending some time exploring our local fare – you will not be disappointed.

Here is the <u>Top 100 Things to Eat in Edmonton</u>, just to get you started!

LUNCH RUSH FOOD COURT (Quick/Cheap meals near Citadel)

- Canada Place Food Court (lower level)
- City Centre Mall Food Court (3rd floor)
- <u>Sunterra Market</u> in Commerce Place (2nd floor)

COFFEE SHOPS

- Ghostlight by MilkCrate located in and operated by Milkcrate
- Remedy (multiple locations) a must-try chai spot!
- Credo (multiple locations)
- <u>Transcend Coffee</u> (multiple locations)
- There is also umpteen Starbucks/Tim Hortons in the area!

THE EDMONTON SNACK

<u>Green Onion Cakes</u>. You'll see this on many menus around town – this is a dim sum style fried pancake with green onions, made famous during our many Festivals. Try it!



GYMS, POOLS & CLASSES

FITNESS CENTRES

Don Wheaton Family YMCA Pool, gym, group fitness classes. (Downtown)

<u>MacEwan Sport & Wellness</u> Racquetball, squash, swimming pool, steam room, weight room and exercise machines with televisions. (Downtown)

Good Life Fitness in Commerce Place.

<u>Kinsmen Sports Centre</u> Indoor running track, indoor tennis, racquetball, volleyball/ squash courts, weight room & exercise machines. (River Valley)

<u>Recreation Centres & Pools</u> Edmonton has many city-run leisure centres throughout the city, throughout many different neighbourhoods.

DANCE CLASSES

Good Women Drop in contemporary classes

Mile Zero Dance Range of classes in the days and evenings.

<u>Dance Code</u> Range of drop in classes as well, mostly evenings.

YOGA CLASSES

Shala Ashanta Yoga, 10018 105 St NW (Downtown)

Om Hot Yoga, 10619 124 St (Westmount)

These are just a few ideas!

You can do an online search for specific offerings in different practices or neighborhoods!



HEALTH & WELLBEING

EMERGENCIES

24-Hour Emergency Services: Call 911 for emergencies & ambulance

If an emergency situation occurs while you are at Citadel Theatre, your Stage Manager is prepared to take charge. However, if something happens when you are away from the theatre, the following suggestions may be useful.

If the emergency doesn't require an ambulance, but you need immediate care in an emergency room (estimated wait times available here via Alberta Health Services):

Royal Alexandra Hospital (north of Citadel)

10240 Kingsway Ave

(north on 101 Street; turn left on Kingsway Avenue) 780-477-4111

OR

University of Alberta Hospital (south of Citadel)

8440-112 Street (on the U of A campus) 780-407-8822

NON-EMERGENCY CARE

If the situation is not critical, or you are in need of medical/health advice, call Health Link at <u>811</u> for information and advice from nurses (24/7).

Edmonton has many walk-in clinics, including a chain of them called "Medicentres." You can search wait times and locations of Medicentres (there are 3 within 5km of Citadel Theatre), and choose the one that might get you in to a doctor the fastest. (Link: Medicentre locations). Most do not accept appointments. **HINT** For shortest wait time, go first thing in the morning at opening.

SERVICE PROVIDERS

CHIROPRACTIC

Dr. Francois Lacroix-Leung

<u>All Sport Health & Performance</u> (elite athlete clinic)

780.424.7246

Dr. Siân Williams (former actor)
<u>Alinio Chiropractic & Massage</u>
780.577.9823

ACUPUNCTURE

Andrea House, <u>Acupuncture Works</u> (Downtown) Also does cupping, Gua Sha, herbal consults, Tuina. 201-10026 105 St NW, 780-428-4325

ROLFING

Aaron Bjorndal, #101 9942 82 Ave above K&K Foodliner in Old Strathcona, 780-984-7390

PHYSIO

Various, please Google for appropriate practioner based on needs.

DENTAL

Canada Place Dental Citadel Theatre (in PEDWAY to Canada Place), 780-424-6272

EYE CARE

<u>City Centre Eye Care</u>, 780-429-0029 (located in City Centre Mall, across the street from Citadel)

Dr. Denis Meyer & Associates Southgate Shopping Centre (open weekends and evenings), 780-437-9001

RMT MASSAGE

<u>Alberta Momentum Massage</u> (highly recommended by multiple artists) 8602 99 St, 780- 488-8640 <u>Strength and Balance Therapeutic Massage</u> RISE Physiotherapy and Performance located at #101 11515B - 105 Avenue.

"Incredible massage therapists. Best I have ever had in any city. They were key to avoiding injury." – past artist

MENTAL HEALTH

Momentum, Walk-In-Counselling (Link: <u>Momentum Counselling</u>) 780-757-0900

Costs: Pay what you can, sliding scale based on income

Provides single session counselling. Walk-in service on a first-come/first serve basis. They recommend phoning beforehand to find out about counsellor availability.

Canadian Mental Health Association

780-482-HELP (4357) 24/7 Distress Line. Connects you with a trained volunteer.

Mental Health Line (24/7)

1-877-303-2642 Government telephone service with Registered Nurses on the other end.

INDIGENOUS CULTURAL SUPPORT

ELDER CONNECTIONS

If you would like to meet with an Elder or community member, please ask Citadel's Producer (Bridget Norris-Jones, bnorrisjones@citadeltheatre.com).

SMUDGING & MATERIALS

Smudging is permitted in many areas of the Citadel complex with consultation of our Producer (due to our sensitive alarm system and possible disruption of shows). Citadel Theatre has smudge materials on site (dried sage, abalone shells, and matches). To access materials or to inquire about smudging locations, please ask Citadel's Producer.

**The above listed wellness service providers are suggestions based on past artists experience & general research. There are many other options in Edmonton to explore to find the right fit for you!



ENTERTAINMENT

"THE MALL"

West Edmonton Mall is on the tip of everyone's tongue when asked "What should I do while I'm in Edmonton?" It is North America's largest mall, with over 800 stores, 100 restaurants, North America's largest indoor waterpark, the world's largest indoor amusement park (with the largest indoor rollercoaster), AND the world's largest indoor lake (complete with pirate ship, seals and birds).

It is a favourite of past Citadel artists as a "Day Off" adventure. A 25-minute drive, or 40-minute bus ride from downtown Edmonton. HINT: Save \$\$\$ when you buy as a group—discounts for group bookings at Galaxyland Amusement Park and World Waterpark start at 15 people. (Extra hint: spend a little bit extra and book a cabana/private beach for the group at the Waterpark!)

That said, there is a TON to do that does not include "The Mall," and we encourage you to check out all the unique and exciting entertainment options that Edmonton has to offer during your time at Citadel!

EVENT CALENDAR

Explore Edmonton maintains a wonderful calendar of artist & culture events, festivals and more: https://exploreedmonton.com/event-calendar

THEATRE, DANCE & CONCERTS

See a show during rehearsals! Edmonton is a theatre-mad town. Per capita, there is more theatre in this city in an average year — some 3,900 kilometres from Broadway — than there is in New York City. Local productions as well as Broadway Across Canada tours are available throughout the year.

Edmonton Live Music Listings – Intimate club/bar venues

<u>Evolution Wonderlounge</u> – Edmonton's only club serving the 2SLGBTQ+ community year-round. Popular gay bar offering cocktails, DJs & dancing, drag shows & events.

Edmonton Symphony Orchestra – playing at the Winspear Centre, across the street from Citadel.

Rapid Fire Theatre – Edmonton's premiere improv troupe.

The Grindstone Comedy Theatre & Bistro – improv, stand up, sketch comedy, music and more.

Small, independent theatre companies- <u>Workshop West</u>, <u>Northern Light Theatre</u>, <u>Shadow Theatre</u>, <u>Teatro Live!</u>, <u>L'uni Theatre</u>.

MOVIES & GAMES

Edmonton Movie Times & Cinemas

- Landmark City Centre is the closest movie theatre to the Citadel it is in City Centre Mall.
- Landmark and Cineplex has many chain locations throughout the city.
- Metro Cinema at the Garneau Theatre offer more "art house" selections.

Board Game Cafes

Escape Rooms

<u>The Rec Room</u> - two locations in Edmonton. Let your inner kid out – a bar/restaurant with everything from ping pong, to arcade games, axe throwing, pool, climbing walls, Virtual Reality, bowling, laser tag, live music and more.



GALLERIES

Art Gallery of Alberta

A must-see for visual art lovers, the Art Gallery of Alberta is itself a masterpiece of architecture as well as the diverse creative focal point of Edmonton's downtown heart. HINT: Last Thursday of the month, free 4–7pm!

Alberta Craft Gallery

The Alberta Craft Gallery has ever-changing displays that offer a wide selection of handcrafted pottery, blown and fused glass, jewellery, woodwork, fibre art, furniture, and home accessories from over 150 emerging, mid-career, and established artists.

Gallery Walk on 124 Street

Zigzag through a 12-block hub of inspiration on a gallery walk around 124 Street District near Edmonton's downtown core. Visit the Bearclaw Gallery, Bugera Matheson Gallery, Peter Robertson Gallery, Lotus Art Gallery and more!

Murals

The City of Edmonton has a growing collection of amazing largescale murals in and around the downtown area. Check out the locations of each mural via this map.

MUSEUMS & HISTORICAL

Royal Alberta Museum

The new RAM (neighbour of the Citadel) is one of the province's greatest cultural attractions and the largest museum in western Canada, as well as an integral part of Edmonton's downtown Arts District. Collections include natural history, human history, Children's Gallery, a Bug Gallery, and it has an amazing gift shop!

<u>Alberta Legislature Building</u> – the seat of Alberta's provincial politics.

Known to Edmontonians as "the Ledge," the Alberta Legislature Building is a marvel of marble pillars and carved oak, beautiful Beaux-Arts architecture, stunning grounds and innovative water features (currently being renovated). Tours available. It is also the location for many festivals, marches, protests, rallies and demonstrations in the city.

Alberta Aviation Museum

Come and explore the vintage aircraft that spurred the romance, courage and clashes that mark the last century of flight.

Neon Sign Museum

The Neon Sign Museum, the first of its kind in Canada, features a collection of functional historic signs that tell a story about Edmonton's neon past. The Museum is outdoors and is open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. No admission is required.



NATURE & SCIENCE

<u>Muttart Conservatory</u> – The Muttart Conservatory, Edmonton's premier horticultural attraction, is nestled in the River Valley and features more than 700 species of plants in 3 climate-regulated biomes - arid, temperate and tropical - and a feature biome, located within the pyramids.

100 Street Funicular - Take a quick (and free!) ride down to the River Valley for easy access.

<u>John Janzen Nature Centre</u> – Edmonton's nature centre, nestled in the River Valley. Walking trails nearby. Includes a wonderful indoor playground for those with kids.

<u>Elk Island National Park</u> – 30 min drive from downtown. See bison and elk roam in the wild! Open year-round, shuttle bus available

Northern Lights viewing — Here in Edmonton, you're in one of the country's best places for witnessing this phenomenon of nature: green and pink dancing lights form part of Edmonton's skies. Be awed by the breathtaking spectacle of the undulating heavenly mosaic of colours that dance across the skies. (Sign up for Aurora alerts here!)

<u>Telus World of Science</u> – Edmonton's centre of science and discovery. Includes an IMAX Theatre, laser shows, exploratory galleries for all ages, fascinating temporary exhibits and refurbished observatory.

<u>Edmonton Valley Zoo</u> – operated by the City of Edmonton in the heart of the River Valley, the Zoo is home to more than 350 animals and focused on conservation.

GET OUTSIDE!

Running /hiking/biking: Edmonton's River Valley boasts 160 km of maintained trails (trail maps). Looking to run stairs? We have plenty of staircases to try!

<u>Outdoor Skating</u> – Edmonton boasts over 100 outdoor skating rinks, some with skate rentals. Skating season is usually December through March, depending on the weather. <u>City operated rinks</u> tend to have warming shelters, rentals and boards, where the more plentiful <u>community league operated rinks</u> are fairly simple flooded surfaces in parks (some of these are fairly tricked out!).

<u>Snowshoeing/Cross-Country Skiing</u> – want to get out on the snow? Edmonton has plenty of options for snowshoe trails and cross-country ski trails, right in the heart of the city! Rentals available here.

<u>Disc Golf Park</u> - Located at the tail end of Edmonton's picturesque Rundle Park, the Rundle Park Disc Golf Course is one of Alberta's very best courses. It offers a challenging mix of holes featuring a variety of elevation changes, manicured tree-lined fairways and even a few water hazards all of which is framed by the mighty North Saskatchewan River.

https://www.infoedmonton.com/ For more fun things to do, check out Info Edmonton.



HINTS AND TRICKS FROM PAST ARTISTS

It can be very dry in Edmonton and in our building; past artists recommend the following to take care of your voice and body while you are working at Citadel Theatre, at any time of year:

- Increase your water intake 2-3x.
- Keep a humidifier in your bedroom (Citadel Theatre has a limited number of loaners, please ask Stage Manager or Company Manager for more information). Clean it regularly to prevent mold buildup.
- Steam! Many of our artists use personal facial sauna/steamers, which can be purchased at London Drugs, Walmart, or Amazon for approx \$30. Clean it regularly.
- Wear layers. Different parts of our building can vary in temperature, especially in the winter or at change of seasons.
- Moisturize! Bring extra moisturizer (oils, creams, serums, or lotions whatever works best for you).

Much of the Citadel Theatre season takes place during winter months. **Embrace the cold** and shorter days to optimize your time in the city:

- Get outside, especially if your only outdoor time is your commute. You may feel like hunkering down (especially in winter), but getting outside for a walk in the River Valley, or through a different neighbourhood, can be restorative.
- If you are coming during the winter months, be ready for the weather. A longer parka (mid-thigh or knee length) with hood that has insulation and windproof layer is suggested. Insulated snow boots with tread, warm gloves, a toque, and scarf/neck warmer will also keep you toasty and ready to explore. Sunglasses will help protect your eyes from the glare of our ever-present sun off the snow.

EDMONTON - IN THE NEWS

Edmonton - one of the best cities in the world

An Unexpected New Stop on the Road to Broadway: Edmonton - New York Times

An artist's guide to falling in love with Edmonton: Hidden spaces and choose your own oasis

Edmonton Theatre Previews, Reviews, and Features by Liz Nicholls, 12th Night

IN CLOSING

We hope that you enjoy your time working at Citadel Theatre. If you have any questions about the organization, the city of Edmonton, or anything else – just ask!

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