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Me at the new BMO Centre

It's the last week of June already! And Canada Day is a week away!

Hi friends,

This was not the best week for me tbh. I caught a virus and missed my friends' wedding entirely. Which super sucked because I was looking forward to it. I did however, make it to the Tequila & Stampede Charm event at the Westley and it was really fun! I'm glad I made it out at least once this week. Look forward to more events at the Westley as they have a whole series coming out (see the next one here). I also want to give a shout out to a couple cool events coming up! - Millarville Races happening July 1 is a fun affordable Canada Day activity you should check out - The 12th Annual Village NUTRaiser is an awesome fundraiser event raising funds for Calgary's Prostate Cancer Centre (Wed July 3 at Bottlescrew Bills) This week I don't have anything in my calendar but resting and getting better, oh and also big plans to win the Oilers 50/50 jackpot. Remember how my car died in the middle of traffic last year? And I got it repaired enough to survive a little longer? Well I fear it's death is near, so my big plan is to win the lottery to be able to afford a new car (it's called '+ manifesting '+). Anyway those are just random life updates. what fun thing are you looking forward to this week? - Sarah

THINGS TO DO: THIS WEEK

Get out of your house and do one (or more!) of these fun events happening this week! Want more options? Check my website events calendar.

- 1. Reading in the Wild (Tues June 25)
2. ABRA Cadabra (ABBA tribute) at Arts Commons (Tues June 25)
3. Ziggy Alberts at MacEwan Hall (Tues June 25)
4. University District Night Market (Wed June 26)
5. TD Jazz YYC Summer Jazz Festival (June 25-30)
6. Wild Horse Pub Crab Fest (Thur June 27)
7. Kensington Night Market (Thur June 27)
8. Bow After Hours: Adults Only Night at Bow Habitat Station (Thur June 27)
9. Sound Atlas Music Festival (June 27-29)
10. Comedian JP Sears at the Laugh Shop (June 27-29)
11. Grazer Dining Series at the Zoo (Fri June 28)
12. Bridgeland Night Market (Fri June 28)
13. Kpop Market (Sat June 29)
14. Taylor Swift Candle Making (Sat June 29)
15. Xiang Loong Festival (June 29-July 14)
16. 119th Annual Millarville Horse Races (Mon July 1)

Canada Day technically falls into next week, but I assume you want that info ahead of time, so check out Canada Day activities here.

WHAT'S ON: LONGER TERM EVENT SERIES & EXHIBITS

Go now, or soon! Here's what's currently on in Calgary. See my website for more ideas on seasonal fun things to do in and around the city.

- Curiosities and Oddities Walking Tour series at Heritage Park (until July 3)
- St. Louis AYCE Wingsanity (until July 7)
- Showdown at Heritage Park: A Wild West Adventure series (until July 28)
- Friends: A Parody with Ace Ventura at Jubilations Dinner Theatre (until Aug 10)
- Goat Yoga at Granary Road (until Aug 24)
- Rock the Nation at Studio Bell (until Aug 25)
- Polar Bear Breakfast at the Zoo (until Aug 25)
- High Tea at The Zoo July 3-Aug 28)
- Tea on the Verandah at Heritage Park (July 7- Sept 1)
- All More than Human exhibit at Telus Spark (Until Sept 9)
- Ghosts of Canoe Lake: by Marcel Dzama at Contemporary Calgary (June 27-Oct 27)
- Inglewood Pollinator Park Market (every Tuesday until Oct 29)
- Space: A Journey to the Moon & Beyond at Telus Spark (Until Oct)
- Sunday Safari Brunch at The Zoo (Until Nov 10)
- From Me to You: The Beatles in Canada at National Music Centre (July 10-Jan 5, 2025)
- 'Tequila & ...' Event Series at The Westley Hotel (ongoing)

LOOK FORWARD TO IT: UPCOMING EVENTS

Plan ahead! See what's up next so you can grab tix & make space in your calendar now.

- The 12 Annual Village NUTRaiser at Bottlescrew Bills (Wed July 3)
- Generation Station: Transalta Free Stampede Community Party (July 5 + 10)
- The Jonas Brothers at the Saddledome (July 13)
- Tequila & Tussie Mussies at The Westley (July 18)
- Beer & Chips at Market Wines (July 19)
- Packwood Grand at Century Downs (July 27)
- GlobalFest Fireworks Festival (Aug 15-24)
- Come From Away Broadway Across Canada (Sept 17-22)
- Avril Lavigne at the Saddledome (Sept 18)

ICYMI: WEEKLY FUN NEWS RECAP

In case you missed it! Here's a random list of things worth knowing that you might have missed.

- Kelsey is showing us where to get the cheap oysters in town
- Here's a little recap of my Okotoks Dawgs game experience (although I inadvertently made it look like I ate ALL the food in the video and some people were mad about that I neglected to mention that I shared most of it and I also took the mini donuts home with me. There, now you have full disclosure on my eating habits)
- Kelsey also showed us where to find cheap brisket! Yum!
- Here are 12 ways to get discounted Stampede admission (The last one may not be the most economical)
- Kelsey made a list of new places that you need to try that just opened
- Wow I must be sick, because I totally forgot that I also toured the new BMO centre expansion this week. Here's a look at their giant fireplace (largest in Canada!)
- Here is a nifty list of the times you can walk into the Stampede for FREE
- If you wanna get smooooth for Stampede, check out YYC Laser & Spa! They'll zap away unwanted hair on ANY body part, with results in one treatment!
- Kelsey also did a recap of her stay at the Moxxy Hotel Banff. In the video she says the 3 'worst' things about the hotel, but the twist is that they are actually good things. I was worried people wouldn't get the joke and would think we were hating on the Moxxy (the internet isn't always so smart). But people seem to be liking the video, so I guess I was wrong!

STAMPEDE COUNTDOWN

With announcements happening almost daily surrounding the Stampede, I figured I'd add a little weekly Stampede news recap here. Find a full Stampede Guide on my webpage.

- Cowboys Tent moves Metro Boomin to Tues July 9
- Wildhorse announces Half Moon Run July 7
- Cowboys Dance Hall announces second Cody Ko show Thur July 11
- Badlands announces James Hype
- National Saloon announces Shawn Desman July 7

8 PIECES OF TASTY RESTAURANT NEWS

Just repeats this week Comprehensive new openings list is on my website.

- 1. Deputy Bagel is a new bagel pop-up to watch out for
2. Ninja Tiger just opened serving up Maharashtrian cuisine and Bombay street food
3. Tex Mex Fresh Mexican Grill, out of Chestermere, will be opening a location in Kensington
4. Eats of Asia just opened (within SunnyCider)
5. Primary Colours reopened after a brief reno
6. Oakberry opened a new location in Kensington
7. Makchang Dodook a South Korean BBQ chain now open
8. Odd Sausage is a new pop-up in Kensington outside Plaza Theatre

Daily Hive is reporting that Paradise Brewing (previously Elite Brewing) is now closed. I also heard this from my friend Andrea last week so I feel like that is double confirmation that it is most likely true. This sucks as I really liked their new bright rebrand, but they must have been struggling regardless.

I hope this list motivates you to get out of the house this week for a little added fun!

See you next Sunday around 6pm!

Cheers!

Sarah, Calgary Explorer

p.s. did you know I'm on TikTok and YouTube? Find me there!

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