

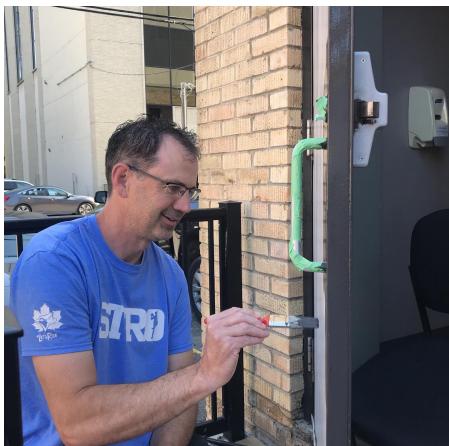
NEWS DOWNTOWN *21 events #BackDowntown + more | July 15, 2021

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Brent prepping an **ALLEY GALLERY** door
*Other Duties As Assigned!

FROM BRENT'S BACK ALLEY

Can I start by saying *holy cow* about the number of events listed below! This is a testament to the resilience of our community - our 1000 businesses who continue to do more than survive, the event planners who have finally settled on one of many versions of their safe plans, and to all of you stuck it to Covid who are making this possible! I was talking with one of our hotel GMs this week and the optimistic tone he had was wonderful - people are returning to hotels and they are staffing up. Great to see in our district!

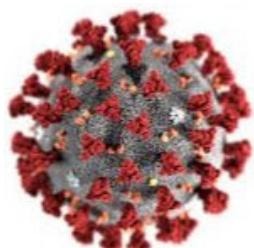
Wonderful to see the historic Third Avenue United Church was purchased and will remain a place of worship. Welcome to St. Vincent of Lerins Orthodox Church and all the members of the congregation. They plan to maintain the heritage elements of the building, the tradition of the space, and love the heritage place as it should be. We are pleased to hear this positive news, as [CTV reports](#).

In case you are awaiting your first or second doses, I understand Foodtruck Wars, and likely our August Downtown Sidewalk Sale will be hosting the SHA Health Bus giving Covid vaccines. #StickItToCovid so we can return # **BACKDOWNTOWN**! In the meantime, please follow whatever rules individual businesses have in place with respect to Covid. Remember that the employees who might be working did not set the policies, and they are just following the rules of their company. In some cases, decisions are not even made locally – just be kind, carry a mask, and treat others as you would want to be treated!

We're thrilled to be getting back to some sort of a normal, and thrilled to be seeing so many of you # **BACKDOWNTOWN**! Check out the fun we had with our July Downtown Sidewalk Sale, as [Global reports](#).

Brent Penner
Executive Director | Downtown Saskatoon

#BACK DOWNTOWN AFTER A PANDEMIC



BUSINESS Q + As

Now operating in a time without a pandemic - Public Health Order in place, we know some of you may have questions about what you can or can not do. [The Chamber](#) asked some **questions of the Provincial Business Response Team...**

What do I do if my employees won't wear a mask after the re-opening and I want them to?

Employees are obligated to wear equipment that they are provided. If the employer has determined that continuing to wear masks after July 11th is the right policy for their

This just might be the last time we get to use this image - and we're okay with that!

business the employee must follow that policy. If in the rare circumstance an employee is medically unable to wear a mask then accommodations may need to be explored.

What resources are available to businesses at this time?

The Business Support website is still fully operational containing details of all available programs both provincially and federally for businesses, having received 1.4 million hits since March 2020, the website and the BRT has been very active throughout the pandemic: [Support for Businesses](#)

The Government of Saskatchewan has come out and said that proof of vaccinations won't be necessary for large gatherings and events. Would it be an invasion of privacy for businesses to ask for proof of vaccination for events or large gatherings?

Vaccination records are considered private personal health information. Businesses will need to consider privacy legislation, human rights legislation and be able to demonstrate why this measure is necessary and that the benefit outweighs the loss of privacy.

Businesses, organizations and employers are responsible for and must conduct their own assessments and due diligence, including seeking legal advice where required.

Will there still be outbreaks declared after July 11th? What will the process of dealing with an outbreak in a business be?

Outbreaks in businesses will not be dealt with in the same way after July 11th. After restrictions are lifted COVID-19 will transition from a pandemic to an endemic meaning that outbreaks will be handled similarly to other communicable diseases. First and foremost our best form of protection against COVID-19 is for individuals to get vaccinated.

Would it be beneficial to have rapid testing available in my business?

The SHA has antigen tests available for businesses, these tests have been deregulated so that businesses can easily access the kits and administer them without a health care professional. Kits will remain available to businesses. The BRT suggests caution if an organization is wanting to use a rapid test as a screening tool for individuals to gain access into an event or to the workplace. Similar to asking for proof of vaccinations, requiring proof of a clean rapid test could be seen as an invasion of peoples private personal health information.

MORE OF YOUR QUESTIONS ANSWERED

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CITY EMPLOYEES BACK TO THE OFFICE FOR SEPTEMBER

City of Saskatoon to ease restrictions in line with provincial plan. In general, requirements for mask-wearing and physical distancing will be dropped. However, barriers installed during the pandemic will stay up and increased cleaning will remain in place.

STARPHOENIX REPORTS

Broken link? Sorry about that - copy this into your browser: <https://thestarphoenix.com/news/local-news/city-of-saskatoon-to-ease-restrictions-in-line-with-provincial-plan#:~:text=In%20general%2C%20requirements%20for%20mask,cleaning%20will%20remain%20in%20place>.



PUT YOUR COVID WASTE IN THE RIGHT PLACE

Note that the plastic COVID-19 barriers being used in various business and public spaces are **not accepted** in the City's recycling program. While this acrylic material does fall under #7 plastics, it is not marketable; therefore it is considered garbage. Flexible plastic sheets or screens are also considered garbage, as well as facemasks, gloves, and other personal protective equipment (PPE).

If you choose to remove your barriers, anything larger than 2 ft x 2 ft must be taken to the landfill or reused for alternative purposes. Items placed outside of carts or bins will not be collected and are considered illegal dumping with fines of up to \$1,000.

Barriers can also be donated to Prairie Harm Reduction: operations@prairiehr.ca; or International Women of Saskatoon: operations.systems@iwssaskatoon.org

Thanks for your cooperation and stay safe!

CITY OF SASKATOON NEWS RELEASE

EVENTS - PARTICIPATION REQUESTED



ART ON YOUR ALLEY DOOR

We have funds to complete an extra door for DTNYXE's all new **ALLEY GALLERY**... there's criteria to be certain, but just curious if anyone out there interested in having vinyl art on your alley metal door - no charge to you? Prompt permission will win for this round, but we look forward to growing the self-guided walking tour in future, so will happily accept all replies of interest.

ART MY ALLEY DOOR!

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AUGUST REGISTRATION CLOSES JULY 18

AUGUST 12-14 | WITH TRADITIONAL STREET CLOSURE + ALL THE IN-PERSON FUN!

Check out Downtown Sidewalk Sale full event details, participating businesses + **registration** below. As [Global reports](#) from our July event, we've got clowns, a slide + great deals to come!

BUT WE NEED YOUR REGISTRATION BY JULY 18...

AUG EVENT DETAILS + REGISTRATION

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BECOME A COMEDY ANGEL

Hudsons' backroom will become [The Comedy Pit](#) for the 2021-2022 season! This open mic style comedy show features + seeks Saskatoon's funniest clean comics.

Downtown Saskatoon is proudly sponsoring to bring the laughs # **BACKDOWNTOWN!**

You can support too! The Comedy Pit is seeking Comic Angles + non-food door prizes. A comic angel buys a block of 20 tickets, and donates them a local charity who can then resell and keep the money. As a Comedy Angel bonus, The Comedy Pit will throw in a pair of tickets for you to their end of season gala - Big Daddy Tazz's Bipolar Buddha Show.

BECOME A COMEDY ANGEL OR DONATE

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THIS JUST IN...

Details are yet to be confirmed, but DTNYXE will be partnering with **Le Burger Week** **September 1 - 14** to offer an excellent opportunity for our restaurants to participate!

Restaurants, stay tuned - this will be better than before! We'll email by next week - if you haven't received it, please contact us. Even though there's a button to register at the link below, consider holding off until we send you a specific link...

EVENT DETAILS

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DTNYXE2021

PLENTY OF REASONS TO BE # BACKDOWNTOWN!

as if the shopping, eating + working weren't already enough...

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Summer Saturdays | NOON TUNES There'll be music in the streets again! Brought to you by Music Performers Trust Fund + Saskatoon Musicians' Association

JUL Fridays 5 - 8 p.m. | REMAI MODERN SUMMER CONCERT SERIES combines great music, the beautiful riverbank setting and hot July weather, and is free to attend.

JUL 16 + AUG 8 + 10 | SASKATCHEWAN RATTLERS' season has begun - pick up your tickets from their Downtown office on 2nd Ave.

JUL - AUG | THE PATIO @ MIDTOWN new outdoor seating in the West parking lot - with close access to Midtown Common for a bite with shade, music + fun. You may even be lucky enough to score a Midtown gift card, just for visiting!

JUL 17 | Black Rain w/ Just the Boys at the Capitol Music Club

JUL 20 1 p.m. | TRC Calls to Action Awareness + Education Walk starting at Midtown North parking lot + meandering through Downtown

JUL 22 - 24 | FOODTRUCK WARS moves Downtown!

JUL 23 | Seven Mile Sun CD release w/ Scott Klein at the Capitol Music Club

JUL 23 - AUG 22 | SHAKESPEARE ON THE SASKATCHEWAN announces their return to the stage with **Macbeth!**

JUL 30 | Contrafact at the Capitol Music Club

AUG - on | DTNYXE's ALLEY GALLERY will be ready for self-guided tours!

AUG 7 - 15 | SASKATCHEWAN JAZZ FESTIVAL, including DTNYXE sponsored mini-concert series on the sidewalks - **JAZZ DOWNTOWN**

AUG 10 - 15 | TASTE OF SASKATCHEWAN including DTNYXE's Living Sky Café + Hunger Cure Restro Bar

AUG 12 - 14 | DOWNTOWN SIDEWALK SALE with traditional road closure!

AUG 20 - 22 | ROCK THE RIVER will rock again with your favourite Canadian classic rock bands

AUG 27 - 28 | YXE BEER WARS concludes the summer in the Bessborough Gardens

SEPT 2 - 3 | Nutrien Fireworks Festival near the river's edge

SEPT 1 - 14 | now get 2 weeks of LE BURGER WEEK

SEPT 7 - MAR 1 | The Comedy Pit at Hudsons backroom will feature + seek Saskatoon's funniest clean comic

SEPT 24 | The 100th Meridian LIVE at the Capitol Music Club

NOW - OCT 11 | REMAI MODERN'S FIRST OUTDOOR INSTALLATION Va-Et-Vient situated west of the museum - the future site of the Sculpture Garden.



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