

NEWS DOWNTOWN *Downtown is buzzing | June 30, 2022

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Saskatoon Pride Parade 2022

CITY ELEMENTS



DOWNTOWN ENTERTAINMENT DISTRICT

Public engagement on site options for a new [Downtown Event + Entertainment District](#) in Saskatoon needs to be delayed by about a month, according to an administration report to city council.

Negotiations to secure privately-owned site options have progressed well over the last year, with conditional agreements in place, but on June 14 administration learned a private owner requires a slight extension to facilitate required approvals on their end.

It is expected that engagement will be pushed back from the anticipated initially July and early August, to August and early September.

CTV NEWS REPORTS

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PRESERVING OUR PAST

It's been a few months since Birks Diamonds closed their doors in Saskatoon at 21st Street and 3rd Avenue, leaving the location they built for themselves in 1929. Downtown Saskatoon was able to convince Birks that the iconic neon sign which had stood atop this corner for decades should remain Downtown. To that end, the sign is currently in the hands of Chris Messett, a neon sign restoration expert. Once Chris is finished getting all the neon working again and giving it a new paint job, we want to find a new home for this piece of Downtown history.

The sign dimensions are 100" x 46" x 7 1/4" and 142" x 25" x 7 1/4". We have the mounting bracket that goes with it. We would look at a rooftop option, a side of a building option, or if you have an indoor idea, there's a chance that could work too!

If you have an idea in mind for this sign, or if you are a property owner and want it placed on your building, please reach out.



CONTACT

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WIN YOUR WISH LIST

Midtown has a new guided shopping tool to explore what they all have in store. To celebrate they are offering to fulfill someone's wish list of \$500.

For all the details follow the link below.

Contest runs until Sunday, July 10.

MIDTOWN

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PREVENTING + REPORTING CRIME

The Saskatoon Police Service recently revised and released a guide on preventing and reporting crimes. This is a good document for you and your staff to review. Included are crime prevention tips and direction on when and how to report criminal activity. When in doubt, please call 306-975-8300 for non-emergencies and 911 for a crime or emergency in progress. You can check out the document below.

SASKATOON POLICE

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ARTISTIC ADDITIONS

Downtown has a series of new Art Instalments. Take a walk around the district and check these new additions out

These can be found at 24th St and 5th Ave, 19th St and 3rd Ave, 24th St and Idylwyld Dr, and 23rd St and Idylwyld Dr.

Three of the artworks were created by [Kirsten McCrea](#) with community input, with the fourth one (24th and 5th Ave) by Brooklyn Carriere, a local artist.

MORE DOWNTOWN ART

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NEW APP, SAME SPOTS



Reminder that the City's current pay parking application (app), WayToPark, is being discontinued by the vendor as of June 30. Parkedin will officially replace WayToPark as the City's app-based parking payment service on July 1.

Parkedin will also be updating their app within July with the following features.

- In-app notification for expiring parking time.
- Credit Card storage without requiring an initial transaction with the app.
- In-app extension of parking time.
- Parkedin is also working on some additional improvements which include implementation of a mapping feature and/or pre-loaded parking zone information that will be coming in a future app update.

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DOWNTOWN BUZZ

35 YEARS STRONG



Congrats to Ellie and Don Richardson on their 35th anniversary at **Creative Compliments**. Their flower and gift shop has been a part of Downtown for over three decades and we all look forward to many more to come.

You can find them at 103 3rd Ave to wish them a happy anniversary in person.

CREATIVE COMPLIMENTS

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NEW OFFICE



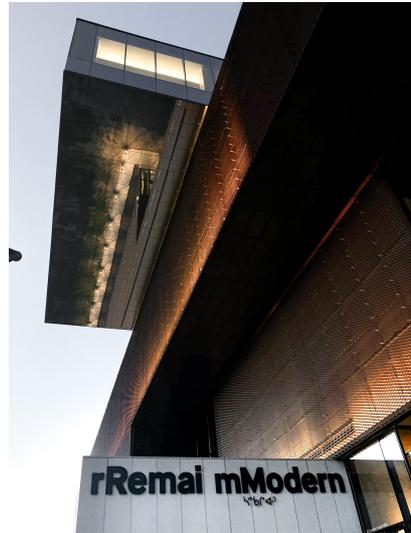
After previously occupying most of the Avenue Building, and growing to 700 employees with 470 based in Saskatoon, Vendasta has officially relocated to their new home on the 12th to 17th floors in at [410 22nd St E.](#)

The grand opening event had been long-delayed due to COVID-19. While most Vendasta employees worked from home, the office building underwent a significant renovation, including the addition of a commercial kitchen serving hot breakfast and catered lunches, a rooftop patio for warmer-weather meetings, and other features. The building will be officially renamed **Vendasta Square** once signage is approved and installed.

VENDASTA

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ROOF TOP HAPPY HOURS

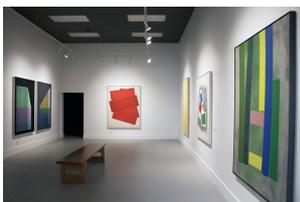


Thursdays at Remail Modern just got a whole lot happier. **Join them from 4 - 7 pm** (weather permitting) on their rooftop. Enjoy some post work refreshments and the amazing views of Downtown and the River Landing area.

Admission is free with membership or general museum admission. Capacity is limited so be sure to head there early.

EVENT DETAILS

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OPEN STUDIOS

This summer at art placement, the gallery becomes a workspace for artists to create, experiment, collaborate, learn from, and inspire each other. Watch the creative process unfold as the gallery plays host to nearly 30 artists between June 20 and July 16. Each week, a different group of artists will share the space, using it as their temporary studio to make work.

The Gallery is located at 238 3rd Ave S

THE COMMUNITY PROJECT

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EVENTS

PRE SALE ALERT



On 9/11, the world stopped. On 9/12, their stories moved us all. The true story of the small town that welcomed the world.

The New York Times Critics' Pick takes you into the heart of the remarkable true story of 7,000 stranded passengers and the small town in Newfoundland that welcomed them. Cultures clashed and nerves ran high, but uneasiness turned into trust, music soared into the night, and gratitude grew into enduring friendships.

Opening October 18th at TCU

TICKETS

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SIDEWALK SALE



Sidewalk Sale is fast approaching, July 7 - 9 is only one week away. This 3-day annual event is a staple of Saskatoon's festive summer season and one of the busiest retail weekends of the year. 2nd Ave and 21st road closures will be in effect July 7 - 9 as well as an increased Downtown foot traffic.

MEDIA RELEASE

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CANADA DAY



Canada Day events this Friday Downtown/Riversdale/Broadway, with the fireworks being fired off from the Broadway bridge to cap off the evening!

Multiple elements will be taking place throughout the day in River Landing, Friendship Park and Victoria Park. From noon until the fireworks display (10:30 p.m.), you'll find cultural dancing, a bannock breakfast, Tenille Arts on the Jazz Fest free stage, and more!

Check the website and social media for schedules and updates.



CANADA DAY SASKATOON

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<https://canadadaysaskatoon.ca/>

DTNYXE2022

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AND THERE'S MORE...

MORE DOWNTOWN EVENTS

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CONSTRUCTION



UPCOMING ROAD CLOSURES

Be it for construction or fun events, you may need to reroute your commute.

Event road restrictions in place from June 30 at 8:00 a.m. to July 2 at 6:00 a.m.

- Spadina Crescent closed between 2nd and 3rd avenues
- Spadina Crescent closed between 3rd Avenue and 20th Street including the Saskatoon Boat Launch

Event road restrictions in place from July 1 at 9:00 a.m. to July 2 at 1:00 a.m.

- Traffic Bridge closed between 11th and 19th streets
- Broadway Bridge closed between 12th and 20th streets
- 19th Street closed between 3rd and 4th avenues
- Saskatchewan Crescent closed between 13th Street and McPherson Avenue

July 7 road closures, 9am to 8pm

- 21st between 1st Ave S and 3rd Ave S
- 2nd Ave S between 20th St and 23rd St

July 8 + 9 road closures, 9am to 6pm

- 21st between 1st Ave S and 3rd Ave S
- 2nd Ave S between 20th St and 23rd St

July 11 - 17 road closure, full days.
- Spadina Cr E from 20th St to 3rd Ave S

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