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NEWS DOWNTOWN | AUGUST 31, 2023

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## CALLS + OPPORTUNITIES

### WHY IS A DOWNTOWN EVENT AND ENTERTAINMENT DISTRICT IMPORTANT?

Want to learn why having event and convention centres in our city and in our Downtown are critical? **Come hear an expert** who has researched and measured the real economic impact of such facilities for over 30 years. Join us for a noon luncheon co-sponsored with the Chamber of Commerce at **TCU Place** on Thursday, September 7.

Dr. Mark Rosentraub, from the University of Michigan, will provide evidence around:

- How facilities enable downtown revitalization efforts
- Implications and opportunities for cities and adjacent communities
- How developments can help attract and retain human capital for economic development
- The winning connection between sports and cultural facilities

#### GET YOUR TICKET

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**Join us Sept 7th**

**Can event facilities do anything for cities?**

Taxpayers, the Research Debate and Strategic Public Investments

FEATURING  
**Dr. Mark Rosentraub, PhD**  
Professor of Sport Management,  
Center for Sport and Policy  
University of Michigan

11:30AM - 1:30PM | TCU PLACE

LUNCHEON  
**SEP. 7**  
**\$45 + gst**

**theChamber** **DTN YXE**

**Canpotex** **Interfor** **Mutrien** **Graham** **Industrial Energy**

## URBAN CANVAS STREET PARTY

**Volunteers are needed** to bring this festival to life! Whether you're a seasoned volunteer or this is your first time, this is your opportunity to create a memorable experience of creativity and community.

The **Urban Canvas Street Party** is a vibrant celebration of artistic expression, urban creativity, and cultural diversity. Taking place in the proposed **Downtown Event & Entertainment District**, this festival will bring together local artists, DJs, cultural partners and the community to celebrate the city's thriving art scene.

The street party will feature music, murals, art battles, engaging community graffiti projects, a pop-up skatepark, food trucks + so much more.

### VOLUNTEER FORM

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## DOWNTOWN HAPPENINGS

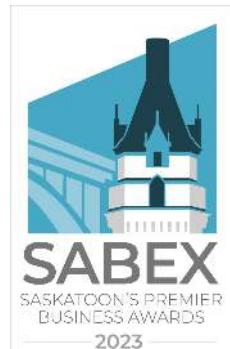
### CONGRATULATIONS

Congrats to Downtown's **Butler Byers Insurance, Saskatoon Business College and Vendasta's Brendan King**, who will receive special awards at the **2023 SABEX Awards** on October 12th at **TCU Place**.

The SABEX Awards is Saskatoon's premier business awards program honouring Saskatoon businesses and non-profit organizations in our community that exemplify high performance, excellence and achievement.

### MORE INFO

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## FUN + FESTIVITIES FOR UKRAINIAN DAY IN THE PARK

Saskatoon celebrated **Ukrainian Day in the Park** this past Saturday Downtown at **Kiwanis Park**. The day included music, dance, food + so much more.

The StarPhoenix was on site and captured the day's events.

### STARPHOENIX REPORTS

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## GET TO KNOW SEJLA DOES NAILS

The StarPhoenix sat down with Downtown's **Sejla Hassanien of Sejla Does Nails** to get to know more about their newly opened Downtown studio in the Avenue Building. From custom Monet paintings to Simpsons characters, Sejla paints everything by hand.

**Find out more** about Sejla Hassanien.

### STARPHOENIX REPORTS

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## DISCOVER SASKATOON'S NEW LOCATION

Discover Saskatoon offices and Visitor Centre on 4th Ave North are now closed. Please note that effective Tuesday, September 5th, **Discover Saskatoon will officially reopen at its new location #100-145 1st Ave North, Saskatoon, SK, S7K 1W6.**

[MORE INFO](#)

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## POLICE TO TAKE A CLOSER LOOK AT INTERACTIONS + DETENTION

**Saskatoon's police board** is preparing to send another letter to the province, re-stating the urgent need to increase services and facilities for people with "complex needs."

The board approved a motion from **Mayor Charlie Clark** to prepare an interim report for its October meeting with data about police interactions with such people. A second report, delving deeper, would be filed at a later date. The report is to include information about people being held in police detention because they have nowhere else to go and need somewhere to stabilize.



The board discussed raising the issue with the federal government as well after board member Brent Penner noted it's not unique to Saskatoon and is being felt across the country. Earlier this year, Clark called for an increase in the number of beds specifically for people with complex needs, the ministers' reply offered no new commitments though.

[STARPHOENIX REPORTS](#)

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## FOOT TRAFFIC + ROADWAYS

### KEEP THEM DOWNTOWN

How are you attracting TCU Place's 1000s of customers before and after their shows? Let TCU Place know to be included in their "Know Before You Go" - listing! Let's give customers a full Downtown experience! Tip from TCU Place staff - just ask to see their ticket stub to access your offerings.



[TCU PLACE SEPT-DEC ATTENDANCE](#)

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## UPCOMING EVENTS WITH ROAD RESTRICTIONS

August will see a variety of events resulting in **roadway restrictions or closures**. (Fun event details below.)

- Nutrien Fireworks Festival, All day Sept 1 + 2.  
**Spadina Cr** between 2nd Ave & 20th St E, Traffic Bridge, Saskatchewan Cr E between McPherson Ave & Broadway Bridge.  
The Broadway Bridge will also close for fireworks each evening.
- Colliers Cup, Closure Sep 7th 5:00PM - Sep 8th 7:00PM.  
Spadina Cr between 22nd St E & 23rd St E.



## CITY OF SASKATOON OUTDOOR EVENTS

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# BE DOWNTOWN

## EVENTS

### NUTRIEN FIREWORKS FESTIVAL

The **Nutrien Fireworks Festival** is proud to present the 2023 fireworks show. Taking place over the labour day weekend September 1st & 2nd, join thousands who will emerge on the river's edge for fun, food, and entertainment.

The night will end with a spectacular fireworks display, choreographed to music.



## EVENT INFO

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### PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Join **KidSport Saskatoon** for a **pancake breakfast at the beautiful KW Nasser Plaza**, right between the River Landing towers. While there, buy some 50/50s for your chance to win.

All funds raised will go directly to helping kids right in Saskatoon to participate in sports.

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## COLLIERS CUP

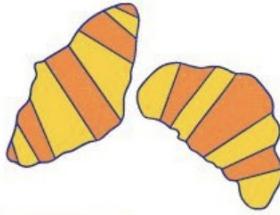
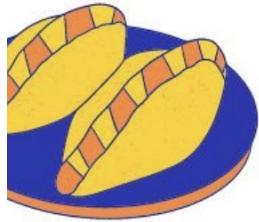
The **Colliers Cup Tournament** is back and is anticipated to be bigger and better than ever!

You are invited to join on Friday, September 8, 2023, for the charity street hockey tournament of the year.

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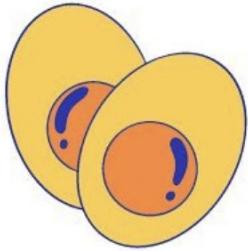


# SCAT BRUNCH FUNDRAISER

**SEPTEMBER 10**

**DOORS 10AM, BRUNCH 11-2**

**CATHEDRAL SOCIAL HALL**



**\$25**



AND THERE'S MORE...

MORE DOWNTOWN EVENTS

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**CONSTRUCTION UPDATES**

## SUMMER SCHEDULED PHASES

The Downtown Construction Project continues, with Phase 5 nearing completion and Phase 6 underway. Below are the anticipated timelines for construction scheduled in the 2023 construction season, barring weather delays and unforeseen circumstances:

- **Phase 1** – 22nd Street East from 3rd Avenue North to 4th Avenue North Complete.
- **Phase 2** – 21st Street East from 2nd Avenue South to 3rd Avenue South Complete.
- **Phase 3** – 21st Street East from 4th Avenue South to Spadina Crescent East Complete.
- **Phase 4** – 21st Street East from 3rd Avenue South to 4th Avenue South Complete.
- **Phase 5** – 3rd Avenue North from 22nd Street East to 23rd Street East The roadway is open, the contractor continues to test the new water main.
- **Phase 6** – Spadina Crescent East from 21st Street East to 22nd Street East Began August 14, 2023, anticipated to be completed September 7, 2023.
- **Phase 7** – 22nd Street East from 4th Avenue North to 5th Avenue North Anticipated to begin September 11, 2023, until September 17, 2023.
- **Phase 8** – 23rd Street East from 2nd Avenue North to 3rd Avenue North Complete.
- **Phase 9** – Road Rehabilitation
- **Phase 9A** - 21st Street East from 1st Avenue South to 2nd Avenue South Complete.
- **Phase 9B** - 2nd Avenue South from 20th Street East to 21st Street East Complete.
- **Phase 9C** – 2nd Avenue South from 21st Street East to 22nd Street East Scheduled to begin September 5, 2023.
- **Phase 10** – 20th Street East from Idylwyld Drive South to 1st Avenue South Details of this phase and timeline are anticipated to be finalized in the coming months.

construction season, barring weather delays and unforeseen circumstances:

**For FULL + DETAILED information download the Downtown Infrastructure Improvement Project package below.**

[Sign up with the City of Saskatoon to receive Construction notices directly to your email.](#)

## FULL CONSTRUCTION NOTICE

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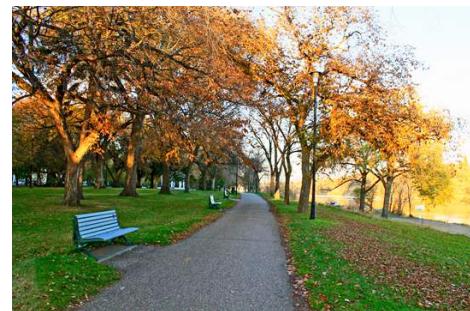
## MEEWASIN TRAIL ENHANCEMENT PROJECT

The first phase of planned enhancements to the Meewasin trail in Kiwanis Memorial Park have begun. Trail users will be required to detour around worksites between the Broadway Bridge + Bessborough Hotel. The boat launch will remain open and functional during phase one.

Be sure to check [www.meewasin.com](http://www.meewasin.com) for any updates on expected closures and detours.

Phase one includes enhancements to 300m of existing primary trail through **Kiwanis Memorial Park between the Broadway Bridge and Bessborough Hotel** including:

- Replacement of the existing asphalt trail to more than double its current width
- Site furniture replacements throughout the park
- Retention and protection of existing mature trees
- New tree plantings
- Two new river viewpoint nodes
- Upgraded trail lighting



- Replacement of the existing drinking fountain

## FULL CONSTRUCTION NOTICE

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