

Visit Studio Bell, home of the National Music Centre, in the heart of Calgary.

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See incredible architecture inspired by the Alberta landscape

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The home for music in Canada is at Studio Bell, located in the heart of downtown Calgary. This spectacular 160,000 square-foot facility showcases the National Music Centre's collection of musical instruments and artifacts, and hosts concerts and special events. Galleries across five floors offer visitors the opportunity to explore the story of music in Canada, and music lovers of all ages can play, rock, and discover something new through Studio Bell's self-guided experience.

Designed for Music

Architect Brad Cloepfil (Allied Works Architecture) was inspired by musical instruments and the landscape of Western Canada when he designed a building that sounds as good as it looks. Here are a few quick facts:

- Over 220,000 custom glazed terra cotta tiles clad the exterior and interior and change color with the sun.
- Through acoustic engineering, the building can be "played" like an instrument.
- The historic King Edward building was restored and incorporated into the design.

Contact

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Rates per admission*

2024 Rates	Retail	Group/F.I.T Rate
General admission	\$24.50	\$19.50

*Children under 3 are free.

Prices are in CDN and GST is included.

Group rates available for groups of 10+. Exclusive to tour operators only. Cancellation policy: 21 days notice for group bookings, 72 hours for F.I.T.

Hours of operation*

Monday	10:00 am - 5:00 pm
Tuesday	10:00 am - 5:00 pm
Wednesday	10:00 am - 5:00 pm
Thursday	10:00 am - 5:00 pm
Friday	10:00 am - 5:00 pm
Saturday	10:00 am - 5:00 pm
Sunday	10:00 am - 5:00 pm

*Hours may vary. Visit studiobell.ca for more info.



Mix tracks like a music producer.

What's there to do at Studio Bell?

- Explore 22,000 square feet of NMC exhibitions and collections over five floors
- Play the guitar, mix a track, or sing along in our vocal booths
- Go deeper with a guided tour or Bonus Tracks audio guides
- See music memorabilia from Canadian music icons
- Visit four Canadian music halls of fame: Canadian Music Hall of Fame, Canadian Country Music Hall of Fame, Canadian Songwriters Hall of Fame, and ADISQ Hall of Fame (Francophone)
- Hear Patrick Marold's Solar Drones—a public art project that converts sunshine into music
- Peek at the Rolling Stones Mobile Recording Studio and CKUA Radio station
- Visit the NMC Gift Shop & Café for snacks, drinks, and music-inspired gifts

Helpful Tips

- Plan for a 1.5-2 hour visit
- Close to Calgary Transit
- Public parking available nearby
- Enjoy lunch at the King Eddy, a legendary Calgary music venue





Try out a new instrument with our guided interactives.



Visit the Canadian music halls of fame showcasing Canadian icons.



Rock out in our vocal booths.



Book a private tour and demonstration of NMC's historic collection.