

VICTORIA CROSSING

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newsletter

Happy New Year 2009

Happy New Year from the Victoria Crossing BRZ staff! We wish you all the very best for 2009.

Welcome to our new newsletter format. This downloadable pdf version will give us the flexibility to provide our BRZ members and readers with more stories, more pictures and more detailed content.

Our newsletters are always a work in progress and your thoughts are greatly appreciated. To send us your comments, suggestions, story ideas and feedback, write us at



newsletter@vcrossing.com.

BRZ members: join us for our upcoming New Years Social. See invite to the right for details. ❖

BRZ members
**You're invited to our
 New Years Social**

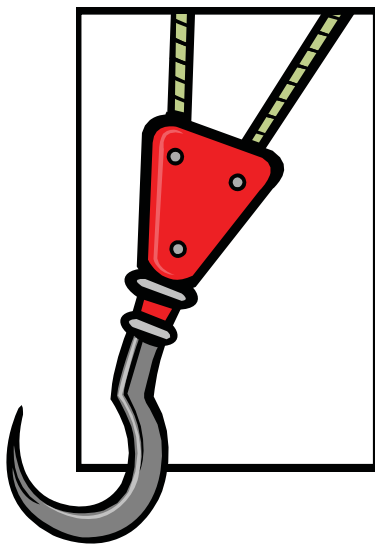
January 15, 5 pm

Bottlescrew Bill's / Buzzards Restaurant
 140 - 10 Avenue SW

First drink is on us ❖

Come and meet some of your new Board members and network with other businesses in Victoria Crossing

RSVPs at info@vcrossing.com or (403) 265-2888 are appreciated



DEVELOPMENT WATCH

DP2008-3644: [1102 Macleod Trail SE] Parking area (temporary), parking lot at grade (surface parking lot). BRZ response: conditional support based on conditions being met for the relocation of the Enoch Sales House to the parcel in question.

DP2008-3862: [334 - 12 Avenue SE] Temporary use: parking lot at grade. BRZ response: no objections.

Note: All new Development Permits (DP) can be seen on the City of Calgary's website. This list is updated every Tuesday. As our newsletter is a monthly publication, we highly recommend you check www.calgary.ca (type "planning applications by community or ward" in the search field) for the latest information regarding DPs. We will only post here DPs that have been physically received by the BRZ office. ❖



Revitalized Haultain Park aiming for summer 2009 opening



The Haultain School and Park Restoration Project is now in its final phase and is aiming for a summer 2009 completion of the revitalized Haultain Park. Through

this final phase, the park will enjoy a mini soccer field, winding pathways, additional seating, upgraded landscaping, and a bigger and better handicapped-accessible playground designed for children 18 months to 12 years.

While Parks Foundation Calgary has raised more than \$1.1 million for Phase III of this restoration project, they are still in need of an additional \$380,000 before March 31, 2009.

In addition to providing a safe outdoor environment for those living and working in the Beltline, the

revitalized Haultain Park will help enhance the quality of inner city living, as well as provide much needed green space among one of the highest population densities in Calgary.

To make a donation, please call Parks Foundation Calgary at (403) 974-1071. Or make a donation in person by visiting their office, located within the Haultain School building, at 225 - 13 Avenue SW.

For more information about the Haultain School and Park Restoration Project, please visit their website at www.parksfdn.com. ❖

St James Corner Restaurant & Irish Pub opening January 2009

Jamesons Pub Group is proud to announce the January 2009 opening of St James Corner Restaurant and Irish Pub on the corner of 13 Avenue and 1 St SW.

St James Corner will offer all the comforts of a traditional Irish Pub infused with the vibrant energy of a downtown restaurant. This newly renovated split-level room is the ideal place to grab a quick weekday lunch, meet friends for a drink, or kick back and watch the game.

Pull up a stool at the impressive custom-carved bar which showcases some of the finest draught and spirits this side of the Atlantic, and explore the superb menu that covers everything from healthy salads to pub fare and hearty meals.

At St James Corner, you can always count on a perfectly poured pint, served with a smile, and some great food.

St James Corner Restaurant and Irish Pub is located at 1219 - 1 Street SW. Phone: (403) 262-1157.

Sign up for a Grand Opening invitation, by visiting www.stjamescorner.ca. ❖



Hours of operation:

Mon - Fri: 11 am to 2 am

Sat - Sun: 10 am to 2 am

Weekend breakfast 10 am to 2 pm

Wheelchair accessible

Business of the month:

Time is Money Executive Concierge Inc.



Cynthia Pickering developed the idea for a personal concierge service after years working a demanding and stressful career in the energy industry. Armed with this experience, she set out to establish one of Calgary's first concierge businesses. Many of us have experienced the feeling of "so much to do, so little time!" Time is Money Executive Concierge Inc. works to relieve you from some of those essential tasks - from grocery shopping for the busy mom to administration work for the high level executive. Time is Money is also there when you need help planning a conference, party or wedding. ❖

For more information on services offered, visit www.timeismoney.ca. Phone: (403) 612-2993.



Welcome Oksana's Special Events Fashion

Over the years the historic Cushing House has seen many uses - from a stately residence for the Cushing family to the home of Voodoo Computers, one of Calgary's original high tech computer manufacturers. We now welcome Oksana's, a womens special events fashion retailer, to this historic home.

Formerly used as office space, this gorgeous house is now open to the public and is well worth the visit.

Equally gorgeous is Oksana's stunning collection of evening gowns and party attire.

The shop also has a tasteful selection of sparkly jewelry and accessories ranging from centerpiece items to those ideal as finishing touches for your special outfit.

The only thing that won't stun you about your visit to Oksana's is the prices. High fashion doesn't have to mean high budget and Oksana's collection represents amaz-

ing value for those looking for unique designs.

Oksana's Special Events Fashion is located at 1313 Centre Street SW. Phone: (403) 532-9882. ❖



Hours of operation:

Tue - Fri: 11 am to 7 pm
Sat: 11 am to 5 pm
Sun: 12 pm to 5 pm
Closed on Mondays

Taste of the month:

Egg and Cheese English Muffin at JB Smoke & Sandwich Shop



Start your morning off right with a quick stop to JB Smoke & Sandwich Shop for a made-to-order Egg and Cheese English Muffin sandwich and medium roast coffee or orange juice. Customize this classic breakfast treat by adding your choice of sausage or bacon. Located at the corner of Centre Street and 12 Avenue SE within the base of The Kahanoff Centre, JB Smoke & Sandwich Shop is a small take-out eatery specializing in fresh food and friendly service. Breakfast is served from 6 to 11:30 am. ❖

Visit JB Smoke & Sandwich Shop at: 1202 Centre Street SE. Phone: (403) 265-8165.

January at Memorial Park Library



January to April 2009 Library Programs - Register in person, by phone or on-line at calgarypubliclibrary.com and click on Events and Programs

Computer Literacy - Internet Part 1 on Saturday Jan 31 from 10

to 11:30 am. Registration required.

Welcome to Canada: Newcomer's Series - Find out what our country has to offer including do's and don'ts in our culture, city and national supports and services, and local attractions. Co-sponsored by the Calgary Bridge Foundation In-School Settlement Program. Takes place Saturday Jan 31 from 1 to 3 pm. Register by calling (403) 999-3405.

*Register for programs by phone, on-line or in person at any library branch. A valid Calgary Public Library card in your name is required to attend all programs. ❖

1221 - 2 Street SW

Hours:

Mon, Fri, Sat
10 am - 5 pm

Tue, Wed, Thu
Noon - 8 pm

Sun (mid-Sept to mid-May)
Noon - 5 pm

Phone:

General Inquiries
(403) 260-2600

Program Registration
(403) 260-2620

www.calgarypubliclibrary.com

December 2008 - January 2009: Kiarra Albina's *Les voisins / Neighbors* at Stride Gallery's +15 window space



Part of the 2009 International Festival of Animated Objects, *Les voisins / Neighbors* is an installation and slow motion animation of the +15 Window Space galleries in the Epcor Centre for the Performing Arts [205 - 8 Avenue SE].

A mannequin will inhabit the installation designed by Kiarra Albina and will constantly be reanimated

within the window. The character will relate to its environment as well as develop relationships with its neighbours in the adjacent window spaces.

Opening reception: January 15, 2009 at 7 pm, Epcor Centre for the Performing Arts. To learn more about this exhibit, please visit www.stride.ab.ca. ❖

January 9 - February 14: Nancy Price's *Hopeless... Romantic* at Stride Gallery's main space



Nancy Price's upcoming exhibition at the Stride Gallery titled *Hopeless... Romantic* presents customized dresses accompanied by found and built artifacts.

Much of Price's current work addresses the notion of "fitting" both literally and metaphorically, often with regard to her own "fit" within various situations.

Price has received awards and award nominations for her work. Her design and textile experience includes periods working in Italy,

Japan, and the Stratford Festival wardrobe department in Ontario, as well as teaching at the Alberta College of Art and Design in Calgary, and NSCAD University in Halifax. Her distinctive accessory designs have appeared in boutiques alongside international clothing designers, and in film

Opening reception: January 9 at 8pm, Stride Gallery [1004 Macleod Trail SE].

To learn more about this exhibit, please visit www.stride.ab.ca. ❖

January 9 - February 14: Robyn Moody's *Constellation* at Stride Gallery's Project Room



In Robyn Moody's *Constellation*, LED lights are positioned throughout the blackened gallery space. As these are the only points of light, the architecture of the space effectively disappears, giving the impression of looking deep into the cosmos.

The relative positions of the LED's correspond exactly to lights from existing computer and stereo terminals and workstations. These are our new constellations "The Sleeping Mac", "The Printer and Scanner", "The Modem", etc.

Moody takes a whimsical and multifaceted approach to artmaking, incorporating electronics, film, performance, installation, sculpture, or whatever a project requires.

Opening reception January 9, 8pm at Stride Gallery [1004 Macleod Trail SE]. ❖

January 15 - February 8: Sylvain Tremblay at Thompson Landry Gallery

Beginning Tuesday January 15, Thompson Landry Gallery [200, 1213 - 1 Street SW] presents an exhibit of works by Quebec-born artist Sylvain Tremblay.

Tremblay's texture-rich paintings, with their elongated human figures, have often been compared

to the works of renowned Swiss sculptor Alberto Giacometti.

Tremblay's works have also been exhibited throughout Canada and the United States.

For more information about this exhibition, please visit www.thompsonlandry.com. ❖



a sneak peak at January

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				1	2 Flousy at Crazyhorse	3 Hitmen vs. Kootenay Ice at Saddledome Huxley's Breed at Stampede Casino Chris Aris Band at Elbow River Casino
4 Hitmen vs Medicine Hat Tigers at Saddledome	5	6 Flames vs San Jose Sharks at Saddledome	7 Hitmen vs Prince Albert Raiders at Saddledome	8 Flames vs New York Islanders at Saddledome Elvis Birthday Bash at Crazyhorse	9 Al Barrett Band at Elbow River Casino	10 Roughnecks vs Edmonton Rush at Saddledome
11 Hitmen vs Swift Current Broncos at Saddledome Danone SuperSkills at Saddledome	12	13 Flames vs St. Louis Blues at Saddledome	14	15	16 Hitmen vs Vancouver Giants at Saddledome The Real Deal at Elbow River Casino	17 UFC 93 (Dublin) at Stampede Casino Flames vs Phoenix Coyotes at Saddledome
18 Hitmen vs Chilliwack Bruins at Saddledome	19	20 Hitmen vs Edmonton Oil Kings at Saddledome	21 Flames vs Columbus Bluejackets at Saddledome	22	23 Mike Clarke Band at Elbow River Casino	24 Honeymoon Suite at Stampede Casino Roughnecks vs San Jose Stealth at Saddledome Adele & The Krusers at Elbow River Casino
25 Hitmen vs Regina Pats at Saddledome Bridal Fair at Roundup Centre	26	27	28 Flames vs Buffalo Sabres at Saddledome	29	30 Flames vs Nashville Predators at Saddledome	31 Hitmen vs Brandon Wheat Kings at Saddledome UFC 94 at Stampede Casino Adele & The Krusers at Elbow River Casino

The Victoria Crossing BRZ Newsletter welcomes your event submissions. If your event falls within our area and you would like to post it here, please send the details to newsletter@vcrossing.com.





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