

Welcome to the Stanley A. Milner Library



Welcome to the Stanley A. Milner Library, a place where community has gathered to learn since 1967. Named after Dr. Stanley A. Milner, a decades-long champion for the Edmonton Public Library, our flagship branch has a rich history. After a major renovation, made possible by community support and funding from the City of Edmonton, we reopened our doors in 2020 with a refreshed space that reflects our values of sharing, customer service, innovation, and community.


Located on the south end of Churchill Square, Milner Library offers stunning views of Edmonton's City Hall, the Art Gallery of Alberta, and a variety of festivals year-round.

With nearly a million visits annually, the Stanley A. Milner Library is easy to access, with ample parking and direct LRT access. Whether you're looking for a quiet place to study, a collaborative space to work, or a program to spark new interests, the Stanley A. Milner Library has something for you.

Services and Amenities

- Printing, scanning, and faxing
- Free Wi-Fi
- 89 public computers
- 24-hour book return on the east side of the building
- Underground parkade
- Easy access to LRT station that connects to the Metro, Valley, and Capital lines
- Second Cup Coffee Co.

142,315
ITEMS
IN THE COLLECTION




515,335
ITEMS
BORROWED
PER YEAR



Did you know?

The Stanley A. Milner Library received the Green Library Award from the International Federations of Library Associations and Institutions for its sustainable, user-friendly design.

During renovations, 1,219 metric tonnes of concrete were removed and recycled for road construction.

Unique Spaces Around Every Corner

The Stanley A. Milner Library is home to a variety of one-of-a-kind spaces designed to inspire and engage. While the following highlights just a few of the library's diverse offerings, there is so much more to explore. Every corner of the building invites discovery, making it a vibrant destination for visitors of all ages and interests!

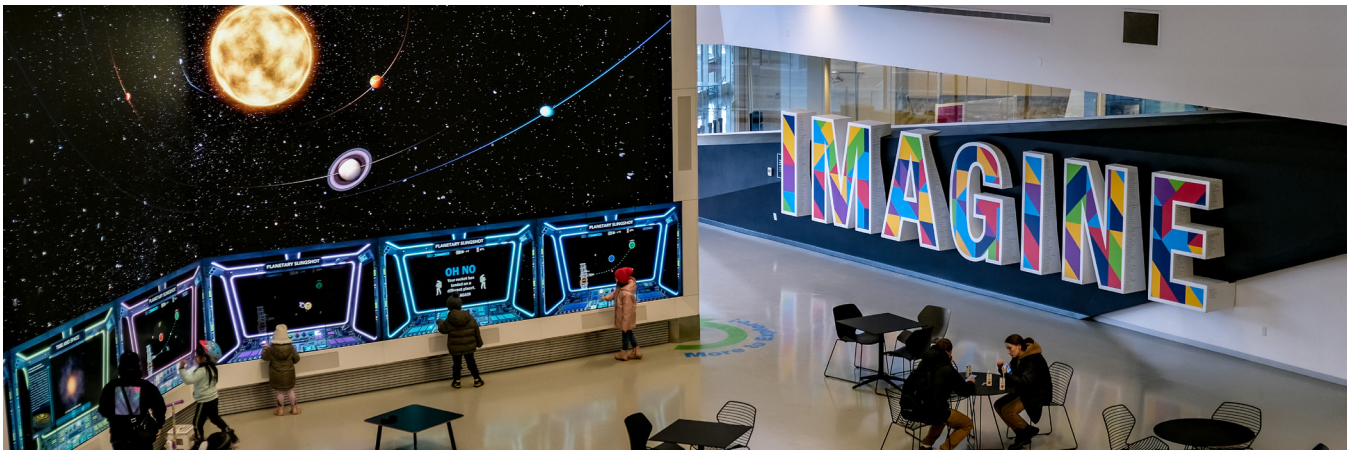
The Wall: Pixel Perfect

The Wall is a cutting-edge interactive display located in the main-floor atrium. This immersive experience features 18 interactive touchscreens and 278 LED screens, delighting visitors of all ages. The Wall offers an immersive experience for visitors of all ages. Highlights include:

- **The Living Reef:** Explore the vibrant ecosystem of the Great Barrier Reef.
- **Dino Zoo:** Interact with prehistoric creatures.

- **Space:** Embark on a cosmic journey in this collaborative exhibit with the University of Alberta and Frog Lake Cree Nation.
- **SimFlow:** Experiment with the principles of aerodynamics and buoyancy through an interactive simulation.

People can enjoy The Wall during branch hours and it is regularly updated with new content, providing a unique experience with each visit.



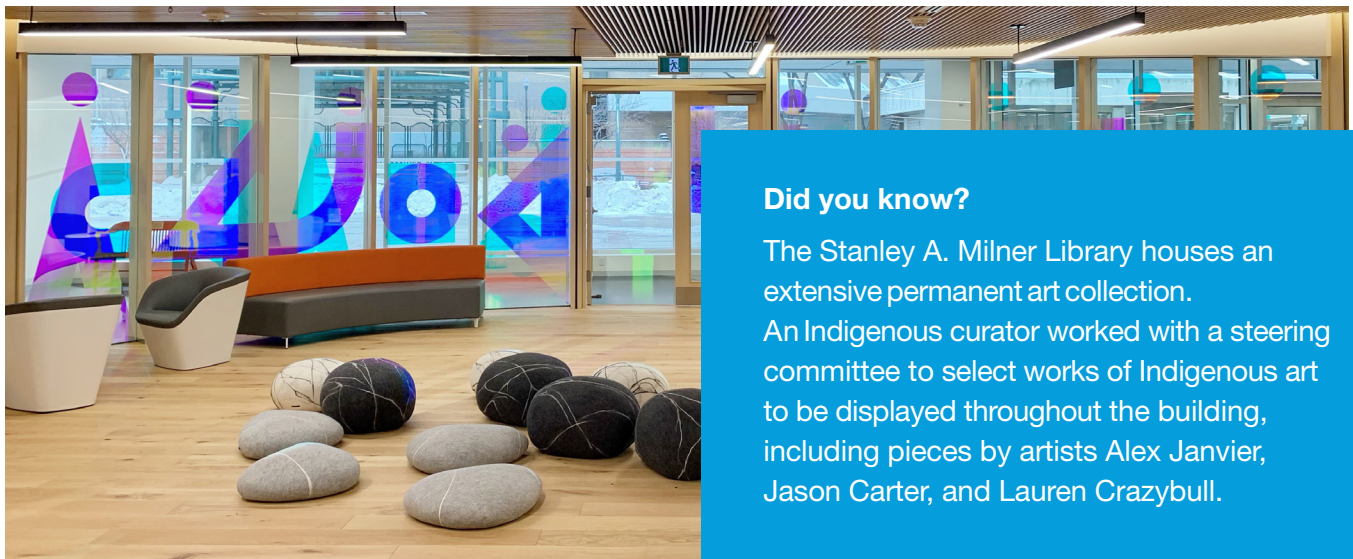
871,812.
ANNUAL
VISITS



PÎYÊSÎW WÂSKÂHIKAN: A Sanctuary for Indigenous Ceremony

PÎYÊSÎW WÂSKÂHIKAN [PEE-YE-SOU WAASK-A-HIGAN] is a ceremonial space, created in collaboration with Indigenous community members and designed to honour Nehiyaw (Cree) philosophies. Elders, knowledge keepers, and Indigenous community members played a key role in shaping the space, which features thoughtful details that reflect the cultural values of the Nehiyawak (Plains Cree people).

Poplar wood lines the room, paying homage to the tree's cultural significance to the Nehiyawak. The east entrance serves as a healing door, meaningful to Nehiyaw protocols. The room is specifically designed for Indigenous ceremony and includes features that support smudging and pipe ceremonies. The unique rock cushions, for instance, allow individuals to sit in a grounded manner, which is traditional for many prairie Indigenous peoples during prayer.



Did you know?

The Stanley A. Milner Library houses an extensive permanent art collection. An Indigenous curator worked with a steering committee to select works of Indigenous art to be displayed throughout the building, including pieces by artists Alex Janvier, Jason Carter, and Lauren Crazybull.



The Kitchen: From Books to Cooks

The Kitchen is a 2,100-square-foot teaching facility equipped with a mix of commercial and home kitchen equipment. It offers a variety of services, including cooking classes, workshops, and training sessions. Visitors can explore The Kitchen in person or sign up for interactive classes, which are available both on-site and online.

The Kitchen partners with organizations such as the Seniors Association of Greater Edmonton, the Edmonton Aboriginal Seniors Centre, and NorQuest College to deliver cooking and food literacy training across Alberta. These partnerships help provide individuals of all skill levels with the tools and knowledge to prepare healthy and delicious meals.





Makerspace: Unlocking Creativity

Equipped with state-of-the-art technology and tools, this 10,000-square-foot creative space empowers Edmontonians to learn and create using a range of services including three sound recording studios, a photo and video recording

studio, six high-end workstations loaded with the Adobe Creative Suite (and more), three 3D printers, two laser cutters, two Cricut vinyl cutters, one Roland vinyl cutter, 12 sewing machines, and a bookbinding tool.




1,704
CLASSES
OFFERED 


24,243
CLASS
VISITORS



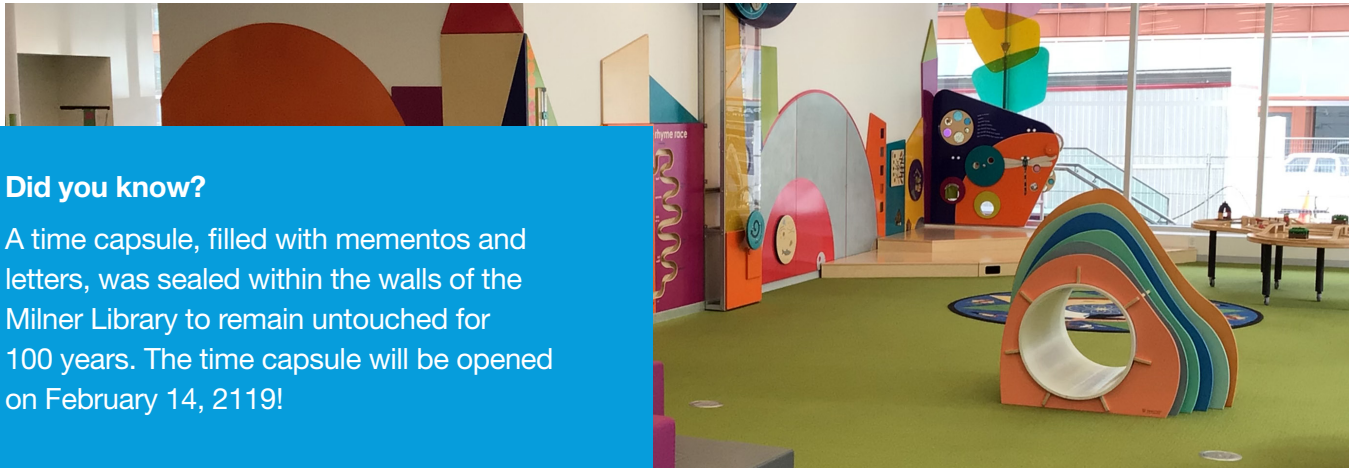
Shelley Milner Children's Library: Little Minds, Big Possibilities

The Shelley Milner Children's Library is a lively and interactive place where young minds can explore, learn, and grow. Designed with EPL's youngest visitors in mind, this kid-friendly area features an

active play zone (including a Big Piano), a sensory room, a makerspace, a lower-height customer service desk, and various engaging spaces that encourage children to discover, create, and have fun.

Did you know?

A time capsule, filled with mementos and letters, was sealed within the walls of the Milner Library to remain untouched for 100 years. The time capsule will be opened on February 14, 2119!



Robert Tegler Community Outreach Centre: Community Support and Connection

The Stanley A. Milner Library strives to be welcoming for everyone in the community, including those facing challenges such as houselessness and poverty. It is home to the Robert Tegler Community Outreach Centre, which offers a comfortable and non-judgmental environment for individuals

to access essential support services. In partnership with organizations like the Bissell Centre and Homeward Trust, EPL provides support and resources to help Edmonton's most vulnerable communities.

Gather With Us

The Stanley A. Milner Library offers a variety of rooms, perfect for workshops, meetings, and events. From cozy rooms for small groups to large facilities that can accommodate up to 247 guests, there's a space for every occasion. Scan the QR code to learn more about room rentals or contact us at **MilnerRoomBookings@epl.ca**.



Visit Us

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Branch Hours:

Monday to Friday: 9 a.m. – 9 p.m.

Saturday: 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Sunday: 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.