

**SUB Stage SUB** Finally, you can put those couches in SUB to a good use—one that doesn't involve passing out while studying plans or building a fort that reminds you of your childhood. The modest stage in the tables and chairs area of SUB plays host to everything from speeches to lunchtime musical performances. On Tuesday nights, the Student's Union puts on a free double-bill of movies on the screen, usually tied together by an actor or unifying theme. There's also free popcorn to enjoy with your movies, and you can then sit back and spend three hours forgetting the losing battle you fought with a midterm earlier. Relax—they're only arts credits anyways.  
**Cost of entry: \$0.**

**Garneau Theatre (8712 109 Street) G4** Quentin Tarantino, one of the bloodiest and most ruthless known film directors, once suggested that it was a great movie if you'd gone out afterwards to eat some pie and discuss it. Well, the Garneau Theatre happens to be right beside a pizza joint that you could bunker down in for a slice and some conversation, should the need arise. It carefully regiments what movies get shown on its screen, choosing independent films over widely released blockbusters. The Garneau also does a yearly *Rocky Horror Picture Show* night, offers student discounts on tickets, and is located just a ten-minute walk from campus.  
**Cost of entry: \$7 for students**

**Princess Theatre (10337 82 Avenue) W5** This venue oozes nostalgia from the golden age of the silver screen. The red curtain that covers the screen, rising before every show, is by itself enough to get you a dishonourable discharge from your studies and come enlist here. As with its sister theatre, the above-mentioned Garneau (both of which are overseen by Magic Lantern Cinemas), flicks shown here consist mainly of acclaimed independent movies. If a film's been decorated at an international film festival, chances are it'll pass through here. The Princess also offers student rates, and is in close proximity to establishments such as the Marble Slab Creamery, Death by Chocolate, Second Cup, and Starbucks, making for a can't-miss movie-and-dessert date for the off-time you get with your waiting sweetheart.  
**Cost of entry: \$7 for students**

**Scotiabank Theatre (8882 170 Street):** Formerly known as Silver City, the Scotiabank theatre is probably the biggest in town—and fittingly so, being one part of the behemoth West Edmonton Mall. This is where you'll see the newest releases and biggest blockbusters deployed. There's an IMAX screen as well, should you need to make your movie-going experience an eye-popping one. Only a bus ride away from the University, the Scotiabank offers you high-end picture quality and sound—and when it's not in for repairs, the giant dragon in the lobby still breathes fire nightly.  
**Cost of entry: \$12 for adults**

**Empire City Centre (101 Street 102 Avenue, third floor):** If you don't feel like busing it all the way out to the West End and back, you can hop on the LRT to downtown and catch all your big-budget flicks at Empire's City Centre theatres, located in City Centre Mall. Most of the shows you can see at Scotiabank, none of the potential ambushing by a dragon. If conducting your own vehicle here, however, be warned that you may have to pay downtown rates for parking.  
**Cost of entry: \$11 for adults**

**Metro Cinema (9829 101A Avenue):** Found on the main floor of the Citadel Theatre, Metro Cinema is a largely covert, not-for-profit society that wants to expand your movie-going horizons. The shows are run by civilian volunteers, and it's refreshing to see movie nights put on by those who genuinely see the medium as an art form. Keeping this in mind, the Metro shows film festivals, socially conscious cinema, documentaries on touchy subjects, and artistically acclaimed but publicly overlooked masterpieces. It also offers a student discount, and is pretty much the only place in town to see a lot of these films, old or new. Only your thickest-rimmed glasses will pass as a disguise here.  
**Cost of entry: \$8 for students**

# MOVIE THEATRES

## LIVE THEATRE

**Timms Centre (On the corner of 87 Avenue and 112 Street) G1** In the centre of campus lies the Timms Centre, home of the BFA-recruiting Studio Theatre Company. This student-driven co-operative has been holding down the fort since 1949, and its productions are often led by an MFA-level directors or equally skilled foreign commanders. Student prices and preview nights keep shows inexpensive, and plays chosen include anything from Shakespeare to Arthur Miller.  
**Average cost of entry: \$5 on a preview night; otherwise, \$10 for students.**  
**Upcoming Shows: *The Maids* (20-29 September), *What the Butler Saw* (1-10 November)**

**The Varscona Theatre (10329 83 Avenue) W8** Head to the Old Strathcona theatre district just north of Whyte Avenue to find this venue, a converted fire hall. It seats a company of just under 200, and several local theatre companies (Shadow Theatre, Teatro la Quindicina, and Rapid Fire Theatre among them) put on their theatrical—in the latter case, improvised—shows here. The Varscona is also the current headquarters of the Die-Nasty Company, who improvise a weekly soap opera with a continuing storyline lasting an entire season. Die-Nasty also condenses all of that into a fundraising, 53-hour improvised soap opera each September, during which many of the attendees abandon sleep for the duration of the mission.  
**Average cost of entry: \$10 for improv, \$20 for plays**  
**Upcoming Shows: Rapid Fire Theatre season opener (21 September), *Sexy Laundry* (20-30 September)**

**Citadel Theatre (9829 101A Avenue) J2** The brigadier general of Edmonton's theatre army, the Citadel downtown boasts five different performance stages and multiple theatre series, each with their own seasonal lineup of shows. Accessible by LRT, the Citadel presents bigger, more well-known plays such as *A Christmas Carol* and *Beauty and the Beast* for its Mainstage series, and gets a little more cloak-and-dagger with the Rice for smaller audiences. You should also polish your boots before coming here: it's a classy facility, so unless you're attending an afternoon matinee, put on your dress uniform. The Citadel's a also little pricier than the other venues, so you should take advantage of their "Pay What You Can" nights (which, after all, are geared towards low-income students such as yourself).  
**Average cost of entry: \$40**  
**Upcoming Shows: *Noises Off* (22 September—14 October), *Vimy* (October 20-14 November), *Beauty and the Beast* (19 January-24 February)**

**The Northern Alberta Jubilee Auditorium (11455 87 Avenue):** The "Jube" celebrates its 50th birthday this year, and continues to showcase touring musicians, ballets, musicals, and other big-band, razzle-dazzle entertainment for the troops. It's found on the southern portion of campus, right beside Lister Hall. While pricey, you know your ticket costs will be matched with an amusing and/or moving spectacle. There are not one but two tiered balconies, and while performers may appear as small as ants from the cheap seats, you can always sneak your binoculars in for closer surveillance of the cute pianist.  
**Average cost of entry: \$50-60**  
**Upcoming Shows: Alberta Ballet: *Giselle* (18 September), Jethro Tull (25 September)**

