

PAPRIKA FESTIVAL 2019

Daniels Spectrum and Aki Studio Visual Story



Welcome to Paprika Festival! This document will help you know what to expect when you visit the Aki Studio, located within Daniels Spectrum. It includes directions to our theatre and a step-by-step guide to what happens before the show to help you access and understand your experience of the building.

Daniels Spectrum is a community cultural hub that is home to many outstanding arts-based and community-focused organizations. It contains several event, performance and exhibition spaces, including the **Aki Studio** where the Paprika Festival is taking place.

Getting Here

Daniels Spectrum is located at 585 Dundas Street East. The closest major intersection is Parliament and Dundas.

ARRIVING BY BIKE

Bike parking is available outside Daniels Spectrum. The nearest Toronto bike share station is adjacent to the Daniels Spectrum building at Dundas Street East and Regent Park Boulevard.

ARRIVING BY TTC

Here are the closest TTC stops to Daniels Spectrum:

65 Parliament Bus: Disembark at the Dundas stop. Head east along Dundas (approx 350m).

505 Dundas Streetcar: Disembark at the Sackville stop. Head east along Dundas (approx. 150m).

Please note that the 505 Dundas streetcar is not accessible. The nearest accessible streetcar is the 504 King streetcar. To access the Daniels Spectrum via the 504 King streetcar, disembark at Sumach street. This stop is approximately 700m from Daniels Spectrum.

PARKING

Paid public parking is available in a lot located underneath the building. The vehicle entrance is located at the rear of the building, accessed via

Sackville Street on the western side of the building. Parking is \$10.00 for 8 hours and can be paid by cash or credit card.

Note: The parking lot does not have direct access into the Daniels Spectrum. The parking lot elevators exit to Dundas Street. From there, go east to the main doors of the Daniels Spectrum.

Additional paid public parking can be found in an underground lot beneath the RBC Royal Bank, just north of Dundas Street East off Regent Street. There is sometimes free parking available near the aquatic centre, on the north side of Dundas, just east of our building.



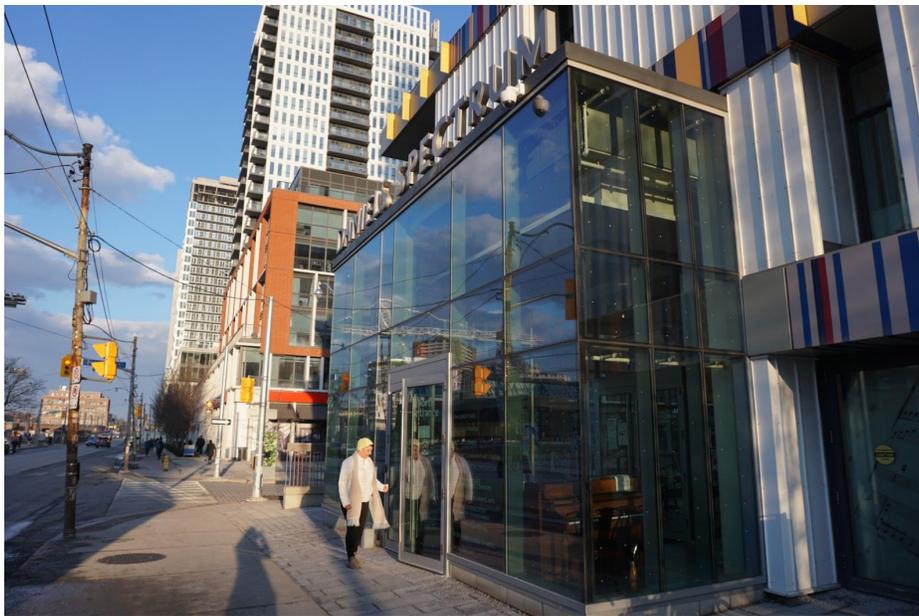
Arriving

Once you have arrived at Daniels Spectrum, it is useful to know that there are two entrances.

NORTH ENTRANCE

The North Entrance can be reached via Dundas Street. If you enter from the North Entrance, you will not need to climb any steps to access the building.

This is what the building looks like when approaching from the 506 Streetcar Sackville stop:



To enter the building from the North Entrance, you will pass through two sets of doors.



Once inside, you will see tables and chairs to your left and a cafe to your right, which may or may not be open, depending on the time of your visit.



To find the Box Office, continue straight ahead through the building. You will pass the accessible bathrooms and the ATM on your right.

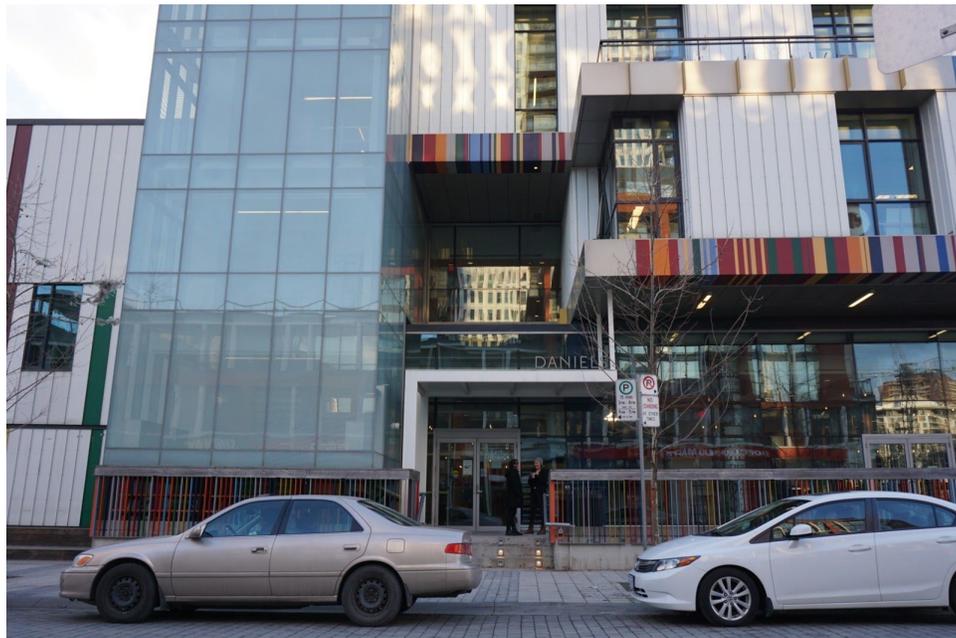


Once you have passed the bathrooms and the ATM, you will find that the room extends to your right. Turn right. You will see the rust coloured coyote that marks the box office for the Aki Studio on the right of hallway.



EAST ENTRANCE

This is what the East Entrance to Daniels Spectrum looks like:



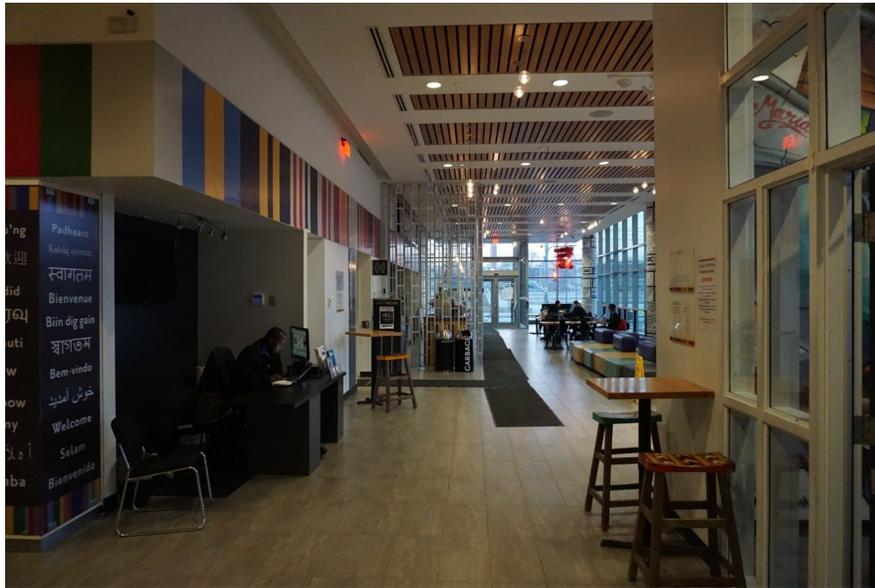
Please note that if you choose to enter by the East Entrance, you will need to go up three steps to access the entrance.



There are two sets of doors that you will need to pass through to enter the building.



This is what you will see if you look to your right once you enter through the doors. Please note that the accessible washroom is situated on the left, just beyond the black desk shown in the left-hand side of this image:



If you would like to proceed straight to the box office, continue straight ahead. You will recognize the box office because it will be marked by the large, rust-coloured statue of a coyote.



Collecting or Buying your Tickets

If the box office is closed, it will look like this:



If the box office is open, you will see one of the Native Earth team members sitting behind the glass.



If you have purchased your ticket online, you will need to go to the box office window to pick up your ticket. The Native Earth staff will ask for your full name, and maybe which show you're seeing.

If you still need to buy a ticket, you may wish to know in advance about some of the options available for tickets at the Paprika Festival. They are:

Pay-What-You-Can-Afford Sliding Scale: \$5/\$10/\$20

If you choose this option, you are welcome to choose how much you feel you can afford to pay for the show. There is no judgement about your decision and you simply need to state to the Box Office attendant how much you would like to pay.

Pay-What-You-Can (Any Amount)

If you choose this ticket option, you can pay any amount for your ticket. It is perfectly fine to say that you are unable to pay for a ticket today and would like a free ticket. Just let the Box Office attendant know!

Pay-It-Forward Tickets

Depending on the performance, there may be some Pay-It-Forward tickets available. These are tickets that patrons have the option to buy in order to provide a free ticket for someone else to use. These will be available on a bulletin board beside the box office window on a first-come, first-served basis.

If you are attending the Indigenous Arts Program Showcase (Saturday May 25th) or *Carving Home*: Playwrights Unit Reading Series (Sunday May 26th), you do not need to pay for a ticket. Simply let the box office know that you are attending.

The doors to the theatre will open approximately fifteen minutes before the start of your performance.

The doors may be closed when you arrive. You should wait until they are opened before you proceed into the theatre.

When you are inside, you are welcome to take any seat you like unless it is marked with a RESERVED sign (these seats are reserved for ushers and late-comers).



Entry and Re-entry

We welcome patrons to enter, exit, and reenter the theatre as needed during performances. There will be ushers with flashlights to help you enter and exit the theatre safely.

There are seats available in the public lobby space if you need a break from the performance.

We hope you enjoyed your visit to Paprika Festival. If you would like to tell us about your time here or have feedback you would like to share, you can send us an email.

Our email address is create@paprikafestival.com

Thank you for coming and we hope you enjoy your visit!