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Tourism Calgary: New Tours Exploring Calgary's History and Indigenous Art



THE CONFLUENCE HISTORIC SITE & PARKLAND

Discover Calgary's stunning natural beauty and deep cultural heritage at The Confluence Historic Site & Parkland! Nestled where the Bow and Elbow rivers meet, this remarkable location has been a gathering place for Indigenous peoples since time immemorial. Independent travelers and tour groups alike will enjoy The Confluence's guided experiences that explore the land's layered histories, breathtaking landscapes, and the enduring presence of Indigenous cultures.

The *Stories From The Confluence Tour* offers both outdoor and indoor options, sharing the histories of the many peoples who have called this land home. The *Path to Reconciliation Walking Tour* takes visitors along the Bow River for a reflective look at colonialism's impact and the ongoing journey toward reconciliation. The *Women's History Walking Tour* uncovers the overlooked contributions of women in Calgary's past, while the *Queer History Walking Tour* explores themes of gender, sexuality, and identity in the early colonial era. For those who enjoy true crime and eerie tales, the *True Crime Tour* dives into Calgary's past through stories of crime and justice, while the *Creepy Tales Tour* uncovers hauntings and chilling stories from the location's history.

Tours range from 60 to 90 minutes and cover a mix of indoor and outdoor terrain, with accommodations available for inclement weather. The Confluence also offers fully customizable experiences tailored to your group's unique interests. No matter the tour, visitors will find themselves immersed in the beauty of the land, its rich Indigenous history, and the many stories that continue to shape this remarkable place. Come walk the paths of history, hear the voices of the past, and experience the spirit of The Confluence!

ZUC'MIN GUIDING

Partnering with Kamâmak – MacKenzie Brown, a Calgary-based nêhiyaw artist, Zuc'min Guiding now offers an Indigenous Arts Walk showcasing the vibrant intersection of Indigenous culture and urban landscapes. This two-hour walking tour explores Indigenous murals with permission from the artists, sharing their stories and highlighting the diverse presence of urban Indigenous communities. Through murals, music, dance, and storytelling, artists reclaim space in a dynamic way, weaving their heritage into the cityscape. Celebrate resilience, creativity, and cultural expression on this one-of-a-kind journey.

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