Little Italy

Giovanni Caboto Park is located in the heart of Little Italy on 97th Street. The park provides recreational opportunities and a public green space for the neighbourhood. Built in 1913, Caboto Park now features a recently installed splash park and modernized play area. In the park sits a statue of Frank Spinelli, who opened the Italian Centre Shop in 1933. Caboto Park, and its surrounding area hosts numerous festivals and events throughout the year designed to celebrate the neighbourhood. These include the Winter Lights Festival in February, the Heart of the City festival in June, and the East Meets West event in late August.

At the East end of McCauley is the site of Commonwealth Stadium, built to host the 1934 Commonwealth Games. The stadium is located adjacent to the existing Clarke Stadium which opened in 1938. Commonwealth has hosted many major events including the IAAF World Championships (2001), The Rolling Stones, CFL Grey Cup, and the 1st regular-season outdoor NHL hockey game, the Heritage Classic (2003).

The Commonwealth Community Recreation Centre includes an aquatic centre with a lane pool, leisure and tot pool, whirlpool, steam room and waterslide, a field house with artificial turf, a fitness centre, jogging track, and a number of multi-purpose program rooms. McCauley residents say they “...are proud of McCauley as a vibrant, safe, colourful, and diverse neighbourhood. We embrace ideals of community connectedness and vitality for all those who walk our sidewalks...”

Welcome to the neighbourhood! Enjoy your stay!

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McCauley

The McCauley community was founded in 1935 and takes its name from Matthew McCauley, a well known businessman who later became Edmonton’s first mayor. The McCauley neighbourhood is in the heart of Edmonton and sits just east of the downtown core. It is a community known for its diversity of residences, businesses, and cultures.

The City of Edmonton, incorporated in 1882, grew up around 97th Street. In 1912, a street car began providing accessible transportation for the many new immigrants and workers moving into the neighbourhood. With the increase in residents, a multitude of churches and cathedrals sprang up throughout the neighbourhood. 99th Street, also known as Church Street, has been featured in Ripley’s Believe It Or Not because of its high density of churches. There are more than fifteen churches that line the street, including the beautiful brick structure of Sacred Heart Church of the First Peoples, built in 1931.

Post World War II, the existing Chinatown expanded, increasing its presence in McCauley and Little Italy saw similar growth during this period. Traveling down 97 Street between 105 Avenue and 107 Avenue, you will find Chinatown North, the third largest Chinatown in Canada. The striking Harbin Gate marks the location of the Southern section that is located on 97 street and 102 Avenue. In the Northern stretch of Chinatown, you will find an abundance of Asian restaurants and shops that sell unique produces, merchandise and traditional Chinese Medicine. Chinatown meets with 107th Avenue, named Avenue of Nations during this period. Traveling down 97 Street between 105 A Avenue and 107 Avenue, you will find Chinatown North, the third largest Chinatown in Canada. The striking Harbin Gate marks the location of the Southern section that is located on 97 street and 102 Avenue. In the Northern stretch of Chinatown, you will find an abundance of Asian restaurants and shops that sell unique produces, merchandise and traditional Chinese Medicine. Chinatown meets with 107th Avenue, named Avenue of Nations during this period.}

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Other benefits of walking:

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