



The Theatre Inspired Mill Landscape (Rock the Mill 2007)



The Theatre Sitting (Before)

CAMBRIDGE  
The City I  
Didn't Know

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THE CENTRE IS HOME OF

Studio 30 Watercolour Painters, Cambridge  
Writer's Collective, Millrace Folk Festival,  
Cambridge Arts Festival, Riverside Print Group  
and Cambridge Camera Club.

Students Promoting the Art (S.P.T.A) meets  
weekly at the centre to plan events for the youth.  
They are responsible for planning and hosting  
concerts, film festivals and art shows.

CAMBRIDGE GALLERIES

" Cambridge Galleries are a part of the Cambridge  
Public Library system with art exhibition spaces at  
Queen's Square, Preston and the new Design at  
Riverside location. Together, the three galleries  
host approximately 23 exhibitions per year  
reflecting a range of local, regional, provincial,  
national and international developments in  
contemporary and historical visual art." (2)

HISTORY

In 1973, the township of Cambridge was formed  
as a result of its root city Galt, merging with the  
townships of Preston and Hespeler along with  
parts North Dumfries and Waterloo. With the first  
announcement of amalgamation, the newly  
combined city was to be named Galt, but Preston  
and Hespeler petitioned the province to instead  
have a new name, to be selected by a referendum  
on choices submitted by the three members.

Galt submitted Blair, while Preston and Hespeler  
combined to back Cambridge, after Cambridge  
Mills(originally an early name for the Preston  
settlement).

A more interesting fact, I learned, was that the  
first mayor was female. Claudette Miller,35,  
whom was also the youngest mayor in Canada.

Cambridge Centre for the Arts Entrance



As for Cambridge's bad reputation for being a  
lame town, it's what you make of it. I've lived  
here for my years of life and have never heard  
of such events like the Mill Race or Rock the Mill  
music festivals; which takes place in Galt area of  
Cambridge.

The Mill Race, takes place on an outside  
amphitheatre, naturally created through the ruins  
of the old mill, hence the Mill Race Festival. It is a  
free admission folk music and dance concert along  
with arts and crafts.

While Rock the Mill, more popular among teens,  
was created by the Fiddlesticks community  
centre, where groups of local teen bands unite to  
play to fund raise for the centre.

THINGS TO DO

## CAMBRIDGE CENTRE FOR THE ARTS

The most engaging aspect of Cambridge, is its support for the arts through the Cambridge Galleries as well as the Cambridge Centre for the Arts. It has a listing of programmed classes/ workshops and activities, such as dance, drama, pottery, music, creative writing, fabric arts and visual arts. Offered to ages 3 years to adult; Throughout the year as well as special summer courses. Artist-in- Residence Program Each year an artist from a different arts discipline is selected for the position of Artist in Residence. Sponsored by the Cambridge Arts Guild in partnership with the Cambridge Centre for the Arts, the programme is designed to operate for a 6 to 9 month period. During this time the individual will share their skills and talents with the community by engaging in events and activities held at the Centre, and often within the community itself. Interested writers, actors, musicians, dancers, potters, painters, sculptors, etc. are invited to submit their names for potential nomination in future years. (1)

Rock the Mill 2008 Coming Soon!



**MAP: Rock the Mill Race Site**



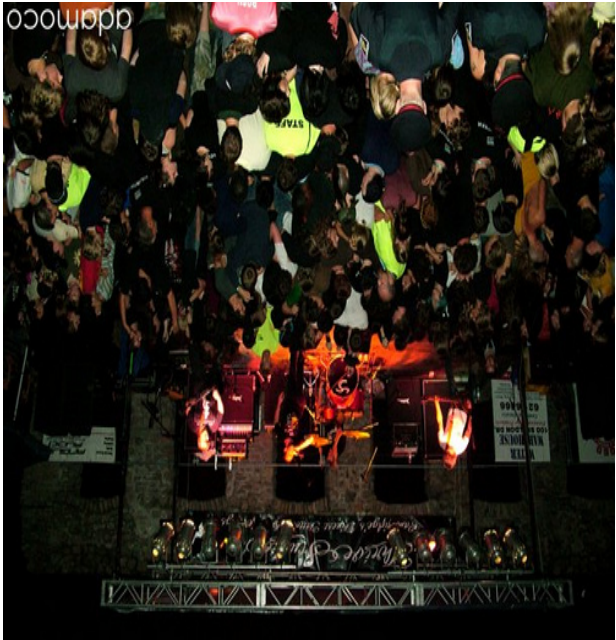
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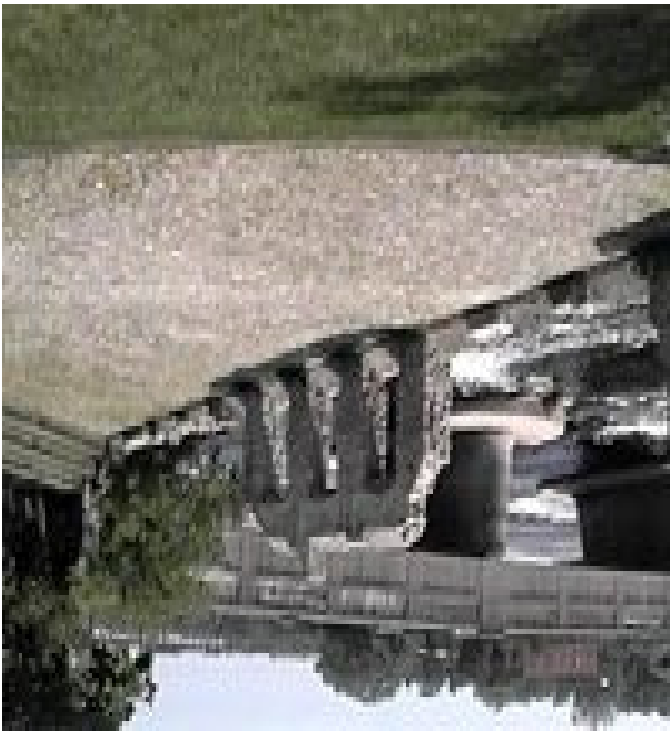
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