

## Downtown street named after Edmonton philanthropist Judy Padua

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The City of Edmonton's Naming Committee has designated 101a Ave between 99 Street NW and 100 Street NW as Judy Padua Way. The name change became official on August 14 during a small private ceremony attended by family and friends of the Edmonton born philanthropist.



"With this street so close to the Citadel and the Stanley Milner Library, it seemed a fitting recognition to Judy who spent much of her life dedicated to children and the arts," says Cory Sousa of the City's Naming Committee.

Padua was involved with numerous non-profit organizations during her lifetime, including the World University Service of Canada, the Clifford E. Lee Foundation, the Muttart Foundation, the Edmonton Social Planning Council, and the Canadian Centre for Philanthropy. She was instrumental in the establishment of a playwright in residence program at the University of Alberta and was active in the Mayor's Task Force on Investment in the Arts that led to the establishment of the Edmonton Arts Council.

Before she died in 2008, Padua received numerous awards for her philanthropic work: the Alumni Honour Award from the University of Alberta in 2004, the Distinguished Citizen Honourary Diploma from MacEwan University in 2006, the Alberta Children's Services Award, and the World University Service of Canada Award. Padua was inducted into the Edmonton Cultural Hall of Fame in 2003.

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