

# 2003 Western Canadian Robot Games Entry Form

Dear Competitor,

The **Western Canadian Robot Games** will be hosted in Calgary on **May 9-10, 2003**. We would like to invite you and your school or group to come and participate in what will be a fantastic event!

We are expecting many competitors like you, students of all ages, adult home-tinkers, and technical professionals, all of whom conceive, construct and reconstruct creations to compete against each other in many of the 13 competitions at this event. You are invited to attend lectures, share information, and show off your hand-made devices. **This is your opportunity** to meet with people with interests like your own, and to make valuable contacts. You will also be able to meet with industry representatives from many high-technology fields, who will be interested in you and your projects.

From participating at this event you will receive the benefit of:

- ✧ A chance to compete against the world for the top prizes in the 10 events we're holding.
- ✧ The opportunity to attend free lectures by invited leading roboticists and technical people from all over the world.
- ✧ The chance to register for hands-on workshops to be held on site at the event campus.
- ✧ Be able to compare notes with other enthusiastic roboticists from all over the world and examine their creations.

We are expecting to have international print and television media here to cover our event, so this is an excellent opportunity for you to have your creations shown to the world!

Please review our website at <http://www.robotgames.com> for full event details, and official event rules.

If you have any questions please contact us,

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### Registration

The registration fee authorizes each participant admission into each of the 3 days of the event, full admission into all of the lectures, and priority status on any of the workshops they wish to register for. Additional charges may apply for workshops.

Each competitor is allowed to enter as many devices they wish into any of the events, **but are limited to winning only one place per event.** I.e.: If a competitor enters 3 robots into Autonomous Robot Sumo Wrestling and wins first, second, and third place, they will be only awarded FIRST place, with second and third going to the competitors in fourth and fifth places.

Competitors are encouraged to enter *more* than one event, and every effort will be made to make sure that there will be no competition scheduling conflicts.

Each participant also receives a **registration package**, containing a minimum of:

- ✧ A competitor's T-Shirt.
- ✧ An identification/security badge (mandatory to be worn during the event)
- ✧ An official Rulebook (a 100+ page document full of rules and useful robotics information).
- ✧ An information package detailing the venue's facilities, and local attractions, including maps, and transit information.
- ✧ A competitor discount card for purchase at participating booths at the event.

**\$30 per team member**

### Spectators

If you wish to just come and watch, the admission fee is:

Adults:	\$5 / day
Families (max 2 adults; 3 kids):	\$10 / day
Children (12 and under):	\$3 / day

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### Travel

Travelers **driving** to Calgary can easily find SAIT on Highway 1, which is known as 16th Avenue North while within city limits. The local hotels are also in close proximity (within 5km West of SAIT), so once you have found SAIT, you will not have to venture much farther.

If you are approaching from **Western** Canada, get on the Trans-Canada Highway and follow it straight into Calgary. SAIT is located on the South (right) side of the road, just after the landmark Northland Village Mall. Competitors coming from the **East** will also find it easiest to follow 16th Avenue to SAIT, which will be found to the South-West corner of 16th Avenue and 9th Street N.W.

If you are coming in from **North or South** of Calgary, you will most likely be travelling on Highway 2, which turns into Deerfoot trail within Calgary. Stay on it until you approach the turn off to 16th Avenue North (also labeled as the Trans-Canada), and proceed as mentioned above.

Travelers coming by **Greyhound Bus** Lines should try to arrange to be dropped off at the Airport, which is close to the Event headquarters. Contact us with your travel information, and we will meet you at the airport, and take you to your final destination.

Travelers not able to schedule the drop-off at the airport, or arriving by some other bus lines should contact us to arrange pick-up.

Unfortunately, there are not any rail facilities to Calgary worth mentioning.

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### Accommodations

**We strongly suggest you call early and reserve your rooms at your place of choice.**

Below are some suggestions, with the school dorms being the least expensive. The hotels/motels listed below are within a 15 minute walk of the venue (better to grab a cab or the C-Train if your robots are heavy).

1. **Owasina Hall** (Please call to confirm the following rates)

Owasina Hall is SAIT's on-campus dormitory which is used by the students during the school year. However, between mid-May and mid-August it is open to the public for short duration stays at a very reasonable rates. As it is on campus, it is the ideal lodging for robot builders as you don't have far to go with all your tools and robots. [For booking contact the service representative at \(403\)284-8013, or e-mail at \[clcsait@sait.ab.ca\]\(mailto:clcsait@sait.ab.ca\).](#)

**Full Service (\$25.00/night/person)**

All beds are made upon arrival with fresh linen, one blanket and one pillow. A towel set (one bath, one hand and one wash cloth), hand soap and cup are provided for each person in each room upon arrival. A fresh towel set is delivered when daily housekeeping service is provided. Bed linen is exchanged after each three-day period. Expect to pay a 5% hotel tax and 7% GST (totally \$28/person/night). If you're driving, expect a \$7/day parking lot fee.

2. **University of Calgary Dorms**

The University is a few short C-Train (light-rail transit) stops away from SAIT, and looks like it will be a great place for cheap, clean accommodation. We're working on getting firm data, but if you talk to Maria at conference housing (403) 289-0211, she'll set you up with something. Prices look good!

Dorms, 2 single beds per room, shared bathroom in hallway.

**Under 18 years old:** \$14/night

**18 and older:** \$19/night

**room by yourself:** \$30/night

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### 3. Motel Village

This is essentially a grouping of 10 or so hotels/motels ranging in price and features. It is on the corner of Crowchild Trail and 16th Ave N.W. (TransCanada highway) and is across from McMahon Stadium. We are listing these as the recommended hotel accommodations as they are located close to SAIT. However, there are many many other hotels in Calgary.

The Banff Trail [C-Train](#) station (Calgary Transit Train) is located beside the hotels listed below, SAIT is only a 5 minute, 2 station ride away (Southbound). This also allows convenient access to many other [Calgary attractions](#) via the C-train. When riding the C-Train ensure you have some change to purchase ride tickets (\$1.60 /ride). Ride tickets can be purchased at unmanned ticket dispensers on the C-Train platform.

*(Note: These prices are based on information gathered in 2000 - please call to confirm)*

<b>Name</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Phone #</b>	<b>Info (prices listed are per night)</b>
<b>Econolodge Banff Trail</b>	2231 Banff Tr W	403-289-9800	Getting Sold out
<b>Days Inn</b>	1818 16 Ave. N.W. Directly across from SAIT (Walking Distance)	1-800-661-9564	Queen Beds single \$85/ea double \$85 for the room (for 2) Triple \$100 (for 3)
<b>Super 8 Motel</b>	1904 Crowchild Tr. N.W.	1-800-800-8000	Queen Beds 2 adults-\$62.88 (basic room) 2 adults-\$72.88 (bigger room) 3 adults-\$78.88/one room 4 adults-\$84.88/one room
<b>Travel Lodge</b>	2304 16 Ave N.W.	1-403-289-0211	2 Queen Beds / 2 Adults - \$115
<b>Comfort Inn</b>	2363 Banff Trail N.W.	1-800-228-5150 1-403-289-2581	2 Queen Beds / 2 Adults - \$159
<b>Holiday Inn Express</b>	2227 Banff Trail N.W.	1-800-HOLIDAY 1-403-289-6600	Not many rooms left for the 11th 2 Queen beds / \$110, includes breakfast
<b>Quality Inn</b>	2359 Banff Trail N.W.	1-800-661-4667	No Space!
<b>Royal Wayne Motor Inn</b>	2416 16 Ave. N.W.	1-800-834-8423 1-403-289-6651	1 bed (Queen) - \$68 Double (2 Queens) - \$85 Triple (3 Queens) - \$100 If we can arrange block rates: 1 bed - \$60 or 2 - \$76
<b>Best Western</b>	1804 Crowchild Tr. N.W.	1-888-774-7716 1-403-220-1800	10 rooms left, Sunday bad \$149 /ea \$109 block rate, 2 queens/room

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### Travel while at the Event

We cannot provide transportation for everybody who requires it at the event. This is why we have found and recommended accommodations nearby to the event. There are restaurants, a shopping mall, and recreational facilities all within walking distance of the event venue.

If you wish to be more adventurous, we recommend using the *C-Train* Light-rail transit system that runs directly through the SAIT campus, and can take you to most points within the city, especially in conjunction with the excellent bus service.

Feel free to arrange rental vehicles if you wish to drive yourself around Calgary, but be prepared to pay for parking while at the event, and at parking lots near the down-town core of the city. Calgary has much to see, and if possible, try to take in the scenery at Banff, which is only a 1.5 hour drive away from the venue.

### Closing Notes

When making your bookings remember competitions begin on Saturday morning. You and your robots must check in at the event on Friday during the day or Saturday morning.

If you have any questions about the Robot Games or Calgary please feel free to call us at (403) 938-0148 or by email at [info@robotgames.com](mailto:info@robotgames.com).

We are looking forward to seeing you there! Good Luck.

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Competitor Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Team/School Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Province/State: \_\_\_\_\_

Postal/Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to participate in the following events (list robot names after events marked):

- Sumo (autonomous) \_\_\_\_\_
- Sumo (remote) \_\_\_\_\_
- Mini Sumo (autonomous) \_\_\_\_\_
- Solaroller \_\_\_\_\_
- Photovore \_\_\_\_\_
- Walker Triathlon \_\_\_\_\_
- Robot Art & Innovation \_\_\_\_\_
- Atomic Hockey \_\_\_\_\_
- Fire Extinguisher \_\_\_\_\_
- Solarbotics Solarspeeder Race \_\_\_\_\_

I have enclosed payment for # team members \_\_\_\_\_ x \$30 CND = \_\_\_\_\_

G a cheque    G credit card transaction

Credit Card (MC/Visa) # \_\_\_\_\_ Exp: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

(Credit card charges will be billed through Solarbotics Ltd. in Canadian Funds)

(Please note: any rules / information online at <http://www.robotgames.com> supercedes this document)