

Prince's Minneapolis

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NOT ON MAP
(or in Minneapolis)
Paisley Park
7801 Audubon Road
Chanhassen, MN

Capri Theater - 2027 W Broadway Ave
Prince's career was already moving forward by the time he played the Capri shows—he had signed to Warner Bros. Records in 1976 when he was just 17, and recorded and released his debut "For You" in early 1978. But it wasn't until the winter of 1979 that Prince formed a band and performed his first solo show. At the Capri, he was joined by childhood friend and former Grand Central and Champagne bandmate André Cymone, Bobby Z, Dez Dickerson, Matt Fink, and Gayle Chapman.

Prince Lived Here - 1244 Russell Ave N
1972-77. This home belonged to the Anderson family. Their son Andre was the original bass player for The Revolution, going by the professional name Andre Cymone. Andre's sister Linda played in Prince's pre-solo band, Grand Central. Prince reportedly lived here from 1972 to approximately 1977. He left carvings on window sills, according to one homeowner.

Bunkers Bar & Grill - 761 N Washington Ave
One of the longest-running neighborhood music bars and restaurants in Minneapolis, known for occasional impromptu Prince jam sessions.

First Avenue & 7th Street Entry - 701 1st Ave N
Bands and artists have performed at the nightclub and influenced the Minneapolis music scene from 1970 onward, as exemplified by the silver stars that adorn the black building's exterior (every star has the name of an artist who has played at First Avenue or 7th Street Entry). First Avenue also appeared in Prince's 1984 "Purple Rain" and many of the film's music performances take place at the venue.

The nightclub has been the starting point for many bands that have come out of Minneapolis including Prince, The Revolution, The Replacements, Hüsker Dü, Soul Asylum, Semisonic, Atmosphere, Brother Ali, and the Jayhawks, among others

Glam Slam (now Cowboy Jack's and Shout House Dueling Pianos) - 110 N 5th St
In late 1989, Prince opened a nightclub in Minneapolis named after his song "Glam Slam" off the 1988 album "Lovesexy." After eight years, he sold it to Gilbert Davison, former Prince manager and president of Paisley Park, who renamed it The Quest. The club became one of the premier nightspots in Minneapolis, rivaling First Avenue as a live music venue, before closing in 2006 due to a fire in the club. The building was subsequently reopened as Epic, which closed in 2013, and it is currently home to two nightclubs, Cowboy Jack's and Shout House Dueling Pianos.

Dakota Jazz Club - 1010 Nicollet Mall
Prince often frequented this iconic live music venue in downtown Minneapolis. It was also a site of some of his famed "surprise" concerts.

Schmitt Music Mural - 88 S 10th St
Prince was photographed standing in front of this iconic mural in downtown Minneapolis at the very beginning of his career. Although Schmitt Music has since moved out of this building, the mural remains intact.

Sound 80 - 222 S 9th St
Largely involved with local artists, the studio is best known for recording portions of Bob Dylan's "Blood on the Tracks" in 1974 and Cat Stevens "Izitso" in 1977, as well as demo tapes for Prince's first album "For You" in 1977.

Electric Fetus - 2000 4th Ave S
Prince could often be found exploring both new music and old favorites at this local record store.

The House from Purple Rain - 3420 Snelling Ave
Known as "The Kid's House," this is the house where Prince (aka "The Kid") lived in the film "Purple Rain."