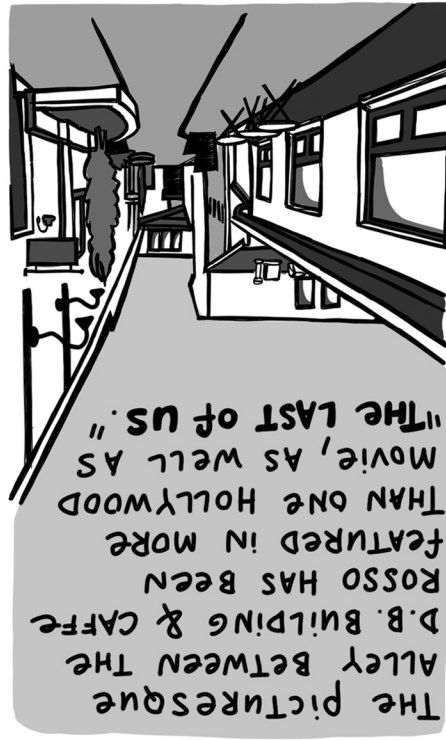




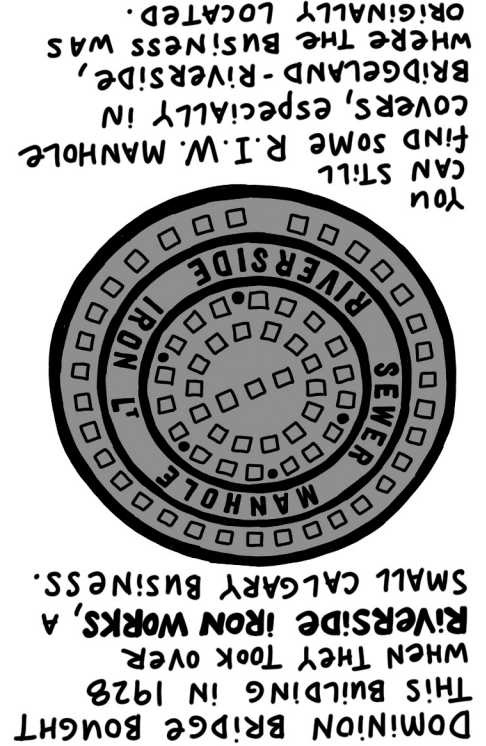
Today, the Dominion Bridge Building is home to local business Blackline Safety. And fun fact: There's a nearby manhole cover with a typo on it!



The picturesque alley between the D.B. Building & Cafe Rosso has been featured in more than one Hollywood movie, as well as "The Last of Us."



After Dominion Bridge went out of business in the late 1980s, the site went through a few incarnations. I took yoga classes in that building in 2000!



Dominion Bridge bought this building in 1928 when they took over Riverside Iron Works, a small Calgary business. You can still find some R.I.W. manhole covers, especially in Bridgeland-Riverside, where the business was originally located.

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DOMINION BRIDGE

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WHY

Does an industrial building on 24th Avenue S.E. in Ramsay, in landlocked Calgary, have ship's porthole windows on it???

This building belonged to Dominion Bridge, a metalworks company. It built many things, including ships for Canada's WWII war effort.

Parts for those ships were built in Calgary—hence the portholes!