

**When was the first time you came to Century III Mall and what was your impression? New and exciting? Downtrodden? Etc.**

My earliest memories include waiting forever for my mother to return items at the JCPenney counter. It has a special entrance/wing just for catalog orders. At the time, Century III was very bustling and a central shopping hub for nearby communities. At this point, it was a long-established mall for the South Hills area.

**What were your favorite stores at the Century III Mall and did they change over time?**

When I was a very little kid, the pet store. All kids from the area loved the pet store because they had both cats and dogs for sale (this was long before "adopt, don't shop"). During high school, Wet Seal and Hot Topic were really popular, but I only ever remember walking through them a few times. My favorite store at the time was Borders bookstore, which they didn't have at Century III.

**Have you ever worked at the Century III Mall? If so, where? How long? What was your experience? Was working in a mall space different from working in a non-mall space?**

Nope.

**Who did you go to the mall with? What contexts did you go to the mall with these people?**

Friends and parents to window shop or to shop for clothes.

**Did you ever loiter in the Century III Mall? Where? When? With whom?**

Ha! No, sorry.

**Were you ever scared in the Century III Mall? Why?**

Yes. In the early 2000s, Century III was less popular/populated and the parking lot after hours and in the dark had an eerie atmosphere to it because it was mostly abandoned. The parking lot was also in bad shape with cracks and pot holes, which added to the eeriness.

**How did you feel after the Century III Mall closed? Where do you go now for your 'mall' shopping?**

The last time I shopped at Century III was to make a last-minute purchase of a suitcase at Sears. Seeing how much the entire mall and area had changed and how neglected it felt was a bitter experience, like the end of a chapter of your life. I rarely mall shop now, but if I need something specific, I'll head to South Hills Village, Ross Park Mall, or the Mall at Robinson.