



# BAKERSFIELD MOVIE THEATRES

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**99 Drive-In CLOSED**  
? 1950-? 1980  
660 cars.



**Bakersfield CLOSED**  
AKA: Nile  
1721 19th St  
1906-1924

**Bakersfield 14 OPEN**  
9000 Ming Ave  
1997-  
Owners:  
1997 Edwards  
2002 Regal Cinemas (keeps Edwards brand name.)  
Stadium-seating.



**Bernard St 6 CLOSED**  
3200 Bernard St  
1200 seats.  
Nov. 10, 1995-June 16, 2000  
United Artists owned this 6-plex, it is now a church.

**C & S CLOSED**  
1220 19th St  
1918-1922

**California CLOSED**  
1808 Chester  
1919-1966  
Fox West Coast owned this 959-seat theatre.

**Cinema 19 CLOSED ADULT**  
AKA: Paris, Virginia  
1224 19th St  
1967-1980  
Porno theatre.

**Crest Drive-In CLOSED**  
3401 Pacheco Rd  
1963-1999  
This drive-in was twinned in 1977  
Mann owned this drive-in.



**Croggs CLOSED**  
1912-1919

**Edison Drive-In CLOSED**  
? 1964-? 1980  
500 cars.

**Elite CLOSED**  
1711 Chester  
1913-1922

**Fine Arts CLOSED**  
1995

**Fox LIVE**  
2001 H St  
December 25, 1930-1975  
Fox West Coast Theatres owned this 1527-seat theatre, its now a performing arts centre, it was damaged by a 1952 earthquake and renovated with Art Deco designs in 1953.



**Granada CLOSED**  
618 Kentucky St  
? 1930-? 1955  
672 seats.

**Groggs CLOSED**  
? 1920

**Hipp CLOSED**  
AKA: Parra's, Kern  
2024 Chester  
? 1915-1938  
860 seats.

**Hop Jordan CLOSED**  
1920

**Kern CLOSED**  
AKA: Parra's, Hippodrome  
2024 Chester  
1938-1952  
Fox West Coast Theatres owned this 768-seat theatre.  
The Kern Theatre started it's life as Parra's around 1909 then about 1915 the name was changed to the Hippodrome then in 1938 the name was changed again to the Kern Theatre. The earthquake of 1952 damaged the building to the point that it was no longer useful as a theatre. The building is still standing and is being used a retail store. The fly lofts can me made out by viewing the building from the alley.

**La Anza Drive-In CLOSED**  
? 1985

**Lyric CLOSED**  
1809 K St.  
1912-1913

**Maya Bakersfield 16 BUILDING**  
Downtown  
2007-  
Maya Cinemas is building this theatre for 2007

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## Movies 6 OPEN

AKA: UA Movies 6

4200 California Ave  
1979-2000, ? 2005-

Owners:

1979 United Artists

2005 Interstate Theatres (discount)



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## New Mission CLOSED

722 Baker  
1923-1929

## Nile CLOSED

1721 19th St

AKA: 06 Bakersfield Opera House

Opened as Bakersfield Opera House in 1906 and renamed Nile in 1924. It was demolished in January 1938

## Nile CLOSED

1721 19th St  
May 1938-1976  
771 seats.

Owners:

1938 Fox West Coast

1961 Prefurred Theatres

1990 CinemaCal

1995 Silver Cinemas.

The Nile was

twinned in the late 1980's. There are plans to demolish this theatre for a parking lot.



## Paris CLOSED ADULT

AKA: Virginia, Cinema 19

1224 19th St  
1963-1967

Adult Theatre.

## Parra CLOSED

AKA: Kern, Hippodrome

2024 Chester  
? 1909-? 1915

## Pastime CLOSED

1517 19th St

February 1913-July 1927, its now a store.

## Regina CLOSED

1940

## Rex CLOSED

1405 19th St  
1914-1952

Fox West Coast owned this 800-seat theatre.

## Rialto CLOSED

960 Baker  
1921-1952

408 seats.

Its now a store.

## River CLOSED

2313 N Chester  
1939-1968

## Scribner's Opera House

### CLOSED

1808 Chester  
1899-1918

## South Chester Drive-In

### CLOSED

Chester

? 1950-? 1980

## Stockdale 6 CLOSED

5430 Stockdale Hwy  
1974-2000

AMC owned this multiplex cinema, the first in Bakersfield. It closed when it could not compete with the newer theatres.



Scott Neff

## Teljon CLOSED

1200 Baker St  
1947-1985

## Terrace Drive-In CLOSED

300 Terrace Way  
? 1950-? 1985

650 cars.



## UA East Hill OPEN

3100 Mall View Rd  
1989-

Opened with 7 screens and expanded to 10 screens in 1996

Owners:

1989 United Artists

2002 Regal Cinemas.



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## Valley Plaza (General Cinemas) CLOSED

2000 Wible Rd  
1967-1986

General Cinemas owned this theatre, which was twinned in 1976.

## Valley Plaza 16 OPEN

2000 Wible Rd  
1999-

Pacific Theatres owns this stadium-seating theatre.



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## Virginia CLOSED

AKA: Paris, Cinema 19

1224 19th St  
1924-1963

486 seats.

Afro-American theatre.

## Vista CLOSED

1400 E California  
1948-1959

Afro-American theatre.

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