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## **LGBT NYC - ARLIS Local Guide**

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### **Cultural Institutions/Attractions**

#### **The Lesbian Herstory Archives**

<http://www.lesbianherstoryarchives.org/>

[484 14th St. in Park Slope, Brooklyn, between 8th Avenue and Prospect Park West](#)

The Lesbian Herstory Archives is home to the world's largest collection of materials by and about lesbians and their communities. They collect and preserve any materials that are relevant to the lives and experiences of Lesbians. You can visit the Archives anytime they're open, to browse through photographs or files, read a book, watch a video, listen to a CD or LP, do research or to volunteer. (lesbianherstoryarchives.org)

#### **The Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Community Center**

<https://gaycenter.org/home>

[208 W 13 St New York, NY 10011](#)

The Center fosters a welcoming environment where everyone is celebrated for who they are. We offer the LGBT communities of NYC health and wellness programs; arts, entertainment and cultural events; recovery, wellness, parenthood and family support services. (gaycenter.org)

#### **Bureau of General Services--Queer Division**

<http://bgsqd.com/>

[208 W 13 St New York, NY 10011](#) Room 210 (located inside the LGBT Community Center)

The Bureau of General Services—Queer Division is an independent, all-volunteer queer cultural center, bookstore, and event space hosted by The Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual & Transgender Community Center in New York City. We aim to foster a community invested in the values of mindfulness, intellectual curiosity, justice, compassion, and playfulness. The Bureau seeks to excite and educate a self-confident, sex-positive, and supportive queer community by offering

books, publications, and art and by hosting readings, performances, film screenings, book discussion groups, and workshops.

### **Visual AIDS**

<https://www.visualaids.org/>

[\*526 W. 26th St. # 510 New York, NY 10001\*](#)

Founded in 1988, Visual AIDS is the only contemporary arts organization fully committed to raising AIDS awareness and creating dialogue around HIV issues today, by producing and presenting visual art projects, exhibitions, public forums and publications - while assisting artists living with HIV/AIDS. (visualaids.org)

### **NYC AIDS Memorial**

<https://nycaidsmemorial.org/>

[\*St. Vincent's Triangle Park, 76 Greenwich Ave. New York, NY 10011\*](#)

The NYC AIDS Memorial, designed by Studio a + i, is located in the northwest corner of St. Vincent's Triangle. The Memorial's granite pavers, designed by world-renowned visual artist Jenny Holzer, features selections from Walt Whitman's Song of Myself. (nycaidsmemorial.org)

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### **Food/Drinks/Nightlife**

[Christopher Street Bar Crawl](#)

### **The Stonewall Inn**

<https://thestonewallinnnyc.com/#wherepridebegan>

[\*53 Christopher Street, New York, New York\*](#)

The Stonewall Inn was the site of the summer of '69 Stonewall riots, the infamous gay-rights demonstrations against a "Public Morals" police raid. Now nestled between a pet store and a head shop, it's been redone a fair bit since gay activists barricaded the police inside using an uprooted parking meter.(nymag.com)

### **Cubbyhole**

<http://www.cubbyholebar.com/>

[\*281 West 12th Street, New York, NY 10014\*](#)

Cubbyhole is one of the Village's more festive and hetero-friendly gay-and-[lesbian bars](#). Chinese paper lanterns, tissue-paper fish and holiday decorations hang from the ceiling. Barstools are upholstered with glossy vinyl bearing pictures of Bugs Bunny, Daffy Duck and Porky Pig. Eclectic? You bet. (timeout.com)

### **54 Below**

<https://54below.com/>

[\*254 W 54th St. Cellar, New York, NY 10019\*](#)

A jeweled anklet on the leg of Times Square's Theater District, the city's best supper club has an evocative speakeasy atmosphere, tasty food and a theatrical bent. The sound, lights and sight lines are excellent, and the schedule is rivaled by no other cabaret room in the city. Major Broadway talents dominate the venue—Patti LuPone does regular sets there—but there is also room for up-and-coming songwriters and performers. (timeout.com)

### **Henrietta Hudson- Bar & Girl**

<http://henriettahudson.com/>

[\*438 Hudson Street, New York, NY 10014\*](#)

Lesbian-owned and operated—now and always—Henrietta Hudson is renowned across NYC and the world for its friendliness, free spirit, and ever-inviting atmosphere. Our two full bars are stocked with a superior selection of liquors, wine, and beer and expertly tended by attractive and charismatic bartenders. Happy Hour (4—7 p.m., seven days a week) offers discounted drinks, while an ever-changing selection of mixologist-created cocktails are available. (henriettahudson.com)

### **Metropolitan Bar**

<http://www.metropolitanbarny.com/>

[\*559 Lorimer St. Brooklyn, NY 11249\*](#)

Although cheap drinks—emphasis on cheap (the constellation of specials includes \$3 PBR tall boys, \$8 pitchers, \$3 well drinks)—rank high among the charms here, there's a deeper appeal to this hipster gay bar, which draws crowds from far beyond its Williamsburg doorstep. The outdoor patio is predictably packed in the summer days, while indoor fireplaces keep things warm in the winter months. And there are different offerings each night—barbecues on Sunday, "Queeraoke" on Tuesdays, arts and crafts on Saturday afternoons. Skee-ball, video games and a pool table round out the divey vibe. (nycgo.com)

### **Industry**

[industry-bar.com](http://industry-bar.com)

[\*355 W. 52nd St., New York, NY\*](#)

Industry is a welcome blend of the three types of gay bars you've come to expect in Manhattan: the tight-shirt lounge, the tank-top megaclub, and the casual-plaid cruising spot. Excellent D.J.'s spin genre-spanning pop mash-ups of Erasure and Ke\$ha, D.J. Earworm mastermixes, and hits from Kanye to Robyn to Cher, while bartenders pour stiff vodka sodas (\$7) to handsome men of all ages. The loosely divided rooms, sprawled across a single floor, are comfortably sparse, ideal for unfettered roaming. Go early on Fridays to relax and talk, and then let the room heat up around you. (nymag.com)

### **Pieces Bar**

<https://www.piecesbar.com/>

[\*8 Christopher Street, New York, NY 10014\*](#)

Bedecked with multicolored lights illuminating its name, Pieces stands out even on Christopher Street. Inside, a bevy of disco balls reflect Christmas lights adorning the walls. Every night's a show,

but the equally colorful clientele get a chance to shine at the ever-popular Karaoke Tuesdays, featuring a diverse selection of songs (though not without the requisite Judy and Barbra). For patrons wishing to stay out of the spotlight, there's a pool table in the back, and Liquid Brunch on Saturday and Sunday afternoons afford ample opportunities to cruise for a cheap date to go with your cheap drink. (nymag.com)

### **Big Gay Ice Cream Shop**

<https://www.biggayicecream.com/>

[125 East 7th Street New York NY 10009 \(East Village\)](#)

[61 Grove Street New York NY 10014 \(West Village\)](#)

Big Gay Ice Cream spins a new take on the old school ice cream parlor experience by mixing high quality ingredients with guilty pleasures, traditional flavors with the unexpected, and a youngster's imagination with an adult's know wink and satirical tongue. It's both for kids and for those of us who are kids at heart. (biggayicecream.com)

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