



GLBT Historical Society

Information on LGBTQ Historic Places in San Francisco

Please see the [Citywide Historic Context Statement for LGBTQ History in San Francisco](https://default.sfplanning.org/Preservation/lgbt_HCS/FinalLGBTQ_HCS_March2016.pdf) (https://default.sfplanning.org/Preservation/lgbt_HCS/FinalLGBTQ_HCS_March2016.pdf) for a general overview.

The GLBT Historical Society also maintains the San Francisco LGBTQ Sites Database, listing nearly 2,000 LGBTQ historic sites. The resource was created by Willie Walker and Eric Garber for the San Francisco Lesbian and Gay History Project; it was transferred to the society in 1985. It includes later additions by Elizabeth A. Armstrong and Damon Scott. The data is searchable by site type, site name, location, dates, description and citations. The Sites Database is available for use in the GLBT Historical Society reading room; to make an appointment, [click here](https://www.glbthistory.org/make-an-appointment) (<https://www.glbthistory.org/make-an-appointment>).

Our archival collections may contain material related to specific sites (such as bars, businesses, bathhouses, etc.). Use our [catalog](https://www.glbthistory.org/catalog-search) (<https://www.glbthistory.org/catalog-search>) to search specific site names.

Our ephemera collection includes a significant number of historical directories, maps and place guides. Contact the [archivist](mailto:reference@glbthistory.org) (reference@glbthistory.org) for information regarding access to these resources.