The Burnside Triangle

The Burnside Triangle has been a meeting place for Portland's gay, lesbian, bi and trans (GLBT) community since the turn of the 20th century and even as far back as the later decades of the 19th century.

This area is incorporated in the West End Plan, adopted by the City of Portland Council. This area plan was created to strengthen the urban neighborhood immediately west of downtown by attracting a diverse population to live there, by promoting businesses, and by creating a more attractive physical environment.

The Triangle is an important district in the larger GLBT geography of Portland. It is historically important for its GLBT sites and remains today a vibrant social center for gays and lesbians.

Come to the Triangle and join in the experience of our diversity, where Portlanders live, work and play together. You will gain a better understanding of the complex history of The Burnside Triangle and its contribution to a broader, more inclusive vision of the history of Portland and the Pacific Northwest.

Welcome!

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The Burnside Triangle Advisory Group, (BTAG), is sponsored by the Metropolitan Human Rights Center. It was formed to help recognize, commemorate, and advocate for the special community character bounded by SW Alder, SW 14th Ave., West Burnside, and SW Broadway streets in downtown Portland, Oregon.

The area contains a combination of entertainment, independent retail, restaurants, hotels, housing, and social services. It is identified by the city as a significant entertainment and cultural district.

Still in its formative stages, the group seeks volunteers who have a desire to participate in making the Triangle an important component of the West End Plan. With your help and involvement The Burnside Triangle will become a reality. Come join the team!

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...socially vibrant

...colorful

...historic

...prosperous



Photo from history tour, Sept. 2002.

Historically rooted in Portland's sexual minority past --- a sense of place and pride for a diverse community.

Burnside Triangle History Tour

- Eagle, 1300 W. Burnside, Current site
- 2. Xes, 415 SW 13th, Current site
- Buick Café, 1239 SW
 Washington, Historical site, 40's
- 4. **ABC Restaurant,** SW Washington, between 12th & 13th, *Historical site, 1910's, now Rosenbaum Plaza*
- Washington Hotel, 1135 SW
 Washington, Historical site back
 to early 1900's, now Washington
 Plaza
- Hotel San Marco, 11th and SW Wasington, *Historical site*, 1910's
- 7. **Bohemian,** 910 SW Washington, Historical site, 1910's and 1970's
- 8. **Zorba the Greek**, 621 SW Park, Historical site, 1970's
- 9. Rich's Cigar Store, 724 SW. Alder, Historical site, 1950's, current location nearby.
- 10. Club Continental Baths, 531 SW Park, Historical site, 70's,80's
- 11. **Medical Building,** NE corner SW Park & Alder, *History from 1910's*
- 12. Imperial Hotel, NE Corner of Broadway & Washington.

 Historical site, 1910's now Hotel Vintage Plaza

- ω 9 Alder SW Broadway Ave. SW Park $\stackrel{\rightarrow}{\sim}$ SW 9th Ave SW 14th Ave 0 SW 10th Ave **SW 12th** SW 13th Ave SW 11th Ave Washington 20 19 N 2 22 Stark 27 28 29 252 15 26 4 Oak 16 KUBYUY
- 13. **Hotel Oregon,** SW Broadway & Stark, *Historical site, 1920's*
- Benson Hotel Bar, Picadilly Room, SW corner Broadway & Oak, Historical site of bar.
- 15. **Club Z,** North of Stark, *Historical location of club in multiple places*
- Tel & Tel, 820 SW Oak, Historical site, 1950's to 70's.

- 17. **Just Out,** SW 9th Ave. between Stark & Oak, *Historical site, 80's*.
- 18. **Riptide,** 949 SW Stark, *Historical site,* 1960's to 70's.
- 19. Music Hall, 413 SW 10th, Historical site, 1940's.
- 20. **Heaven,** 421 SW 10th, Current site.
- 21. Rhondee Lounge, 1014 SW Stark, Historical site 1970's, C.C. Slaughter's, 80's to 90's.
- 22. **Scandals,** 1038 SW Stark, Current site since 1980's.
- 23. **Nortonia Hotel,** SW corner 11th and Stark, *Historical site*, 1900's, now Mark Spencer Hotel.
- 24. **Silverado**, 1217 SW Stark, Current site, history back t60's.
- Majestic Hotel and Bath, 303 SW 12th Ave., Current site.

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- 26. **Spartacus**, 300 SW 12th, *Current site since 1980's*.
- 27. Three Sisters, 1125 SW Stark, Current site since 1980's.
 28. Roxy, 1121 SW Stark, Current

site since 1970's.

- 29. **Somebody's Place,** SW 11th Ave. between Stark & Burnside, *Historical site, 1980's.*
- Fish Grotto Restaurant,
 Boxxes, Red Cap Garage,
 Panorama, 1035 SW Stark,
 Current site.