



Key

- History
- Personal
- Venues
- Negative
- Feels Safe

History:

- Went to Edinburgh's first bisexual support group (1984/5)
- 60 Broughton Street, original gay centre
- Edinburgh Gay Men's Chorus
- Key West bar frequented by bears and bikers (mid 1980s)
- Deaf Action doing queer inclusion work
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- Nom de Plume
- QStore
- The Street
- GHQ
- Planet
- CC's
- An afternoon of passion (1982)
- The Stag and Turret (1990s?)
- Bus Station toilets (cottaging)
- Depends when (football match days)
- Realised my ex was a racist
- Pride march start
- AIDS memorial bench and site, created 1st December 2004
- Diana Ross and the Supremes appeared here (1980s)
- Fire Island gay disco
- AIDS Benefit Concert 1986
- Met my fiancée at a Gayleidh
- Cried for hours with my mother and her acceptance
- Assembly Rooms
- Bus Station toilets (cottaging)
- Avoid at night (1970s)
- Crusing
- The Regent
- Wore a binder to meet family
- Queering the map workshop (2019)
- First gay New Year + kiss
- Pride march end
- Black Medicine
- Can use my real name
- Bullshit 12 hour deep and meaningful with a racist
- Howling at the moon
- Gay confessional space
- First escape from Fife
- Trans revolt 31/1/2019
- Rainbow flag flown from castle (1/2/2019)
- Paradise palms
- First job as a trans male
- Chalmers Sexual Health Clinic
- Met gay people for the first time! (Fresher's 1978)
- LGBT nights at Teviot
- Found my bisexuality
- Preached to by an anti-gay Mormon
- A wonderful welcome
- Cloudspotting together (2018)
- Wore a binder to meet family
- Watched queer film with my girlfriend's dad
- Forest Café
- Wee Red Bar
- Morrison Street gents toilets (now demolished)
- Would self-check PDA - "agressively straight" pubs
- Practice space for Edinburgh Samba School
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- 'posh' places like George Street less safe/accessible for LGBTIQ people??
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In February 2019, we celebrated LGBT+ History Month with 'Queering the Map of Edinburgh' - a workshop where we discussed the city from an LGBT+ perspective. This map shows a small selection of the places, memories and stories people chose to share in their own words. The map was made with a mixture of materials, pride flags and accessibility symbols. Pink sticky notes were used to highlight places that feel safe to be visibly queer, and red pens to show unsafe places, or to give alternative viewpoints on other people's suggestions. Looking at the map, we encourage you to think about how environments can be experienced very differently by different people, especially queer people of colour and disabled people. This project is a collaboration between LGBT Health and Wellbeing, Scotland's Urban Past, Scottish Civic Trust, and Our Story Scotland.

Introduction

Queering the Map of Edinburgh

A community map of the city created at a workshop in February 2019

www.tinyurl.com/QueeringTheMapOfEdinburgh



Flag Guide



- LGBT Health and Wellbeing www.lgbthealth.org.uk
 - Scotland's Urban Past www.scotlandsurbanpast.org.uk
 - Scottish Civic Trust www.scottishcivictrust.org.uk
 - Our Story Scotland www.ourstorystotland.org.uk
 - LGBT Scotland Listings www.lgbt.scot
- Wherever possible, the online version of this map provides links to the venues, groups and resources mentioned.

Extra Information

A more detailed, interactive version of this map with locations and descriptions is available at www.tinyurl.com/QueeringTheMapOfEdinburgh



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