



LGBTQ+ Spaces, Queer Spatialities
WST 374 (SBS+)
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This course interrogates the constitutive connections between social space and its users by following the development of LGBTQ+ sites and identities through 1900's and into the early 21st Century. Our inquiry moves formatively from the gay and lesbian social clubs and bars of the 1920's – 1960's to the marches, occupations and separatist sites of the Gay Liberation and Second Wave of Feminism Movements; from the rise of the Gay Village and 'gayborhoods' to current contested sites of gender non-conforming interventions and sexual political resistance, such as public all-gender restrooms. We will employ an interdisciplinary analysis of Feminist, Trans, Queer and Sociological Theory to identify and deconstruct the critical links between the queer(ing) use of space and the spatial context of queer identity constructions.