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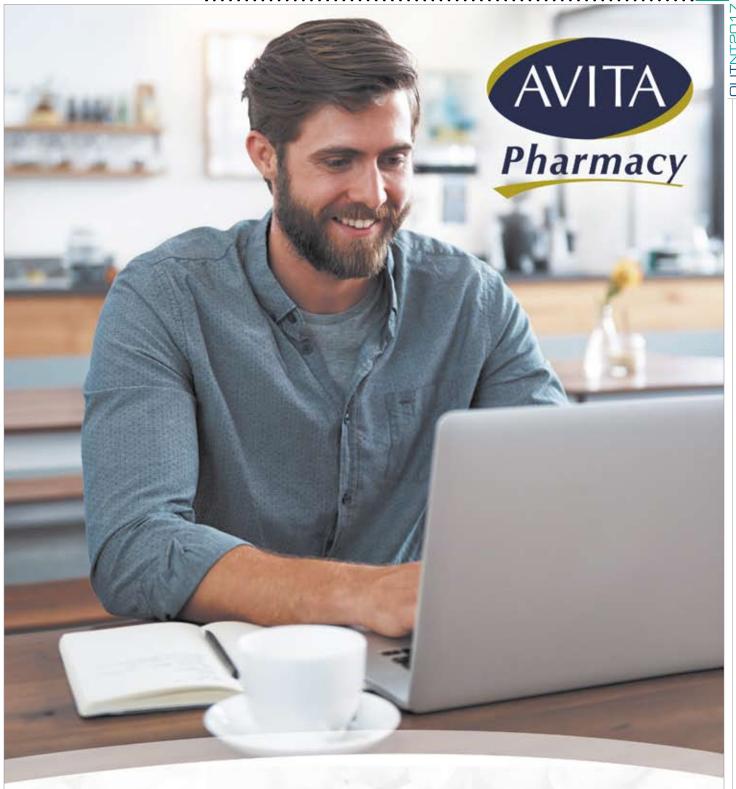


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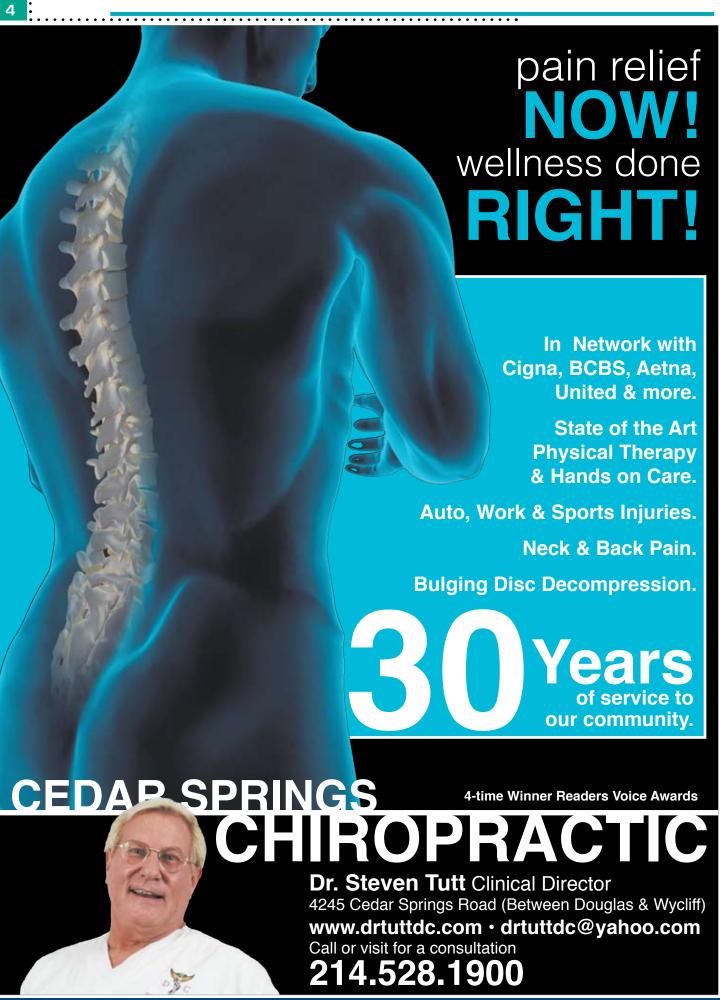
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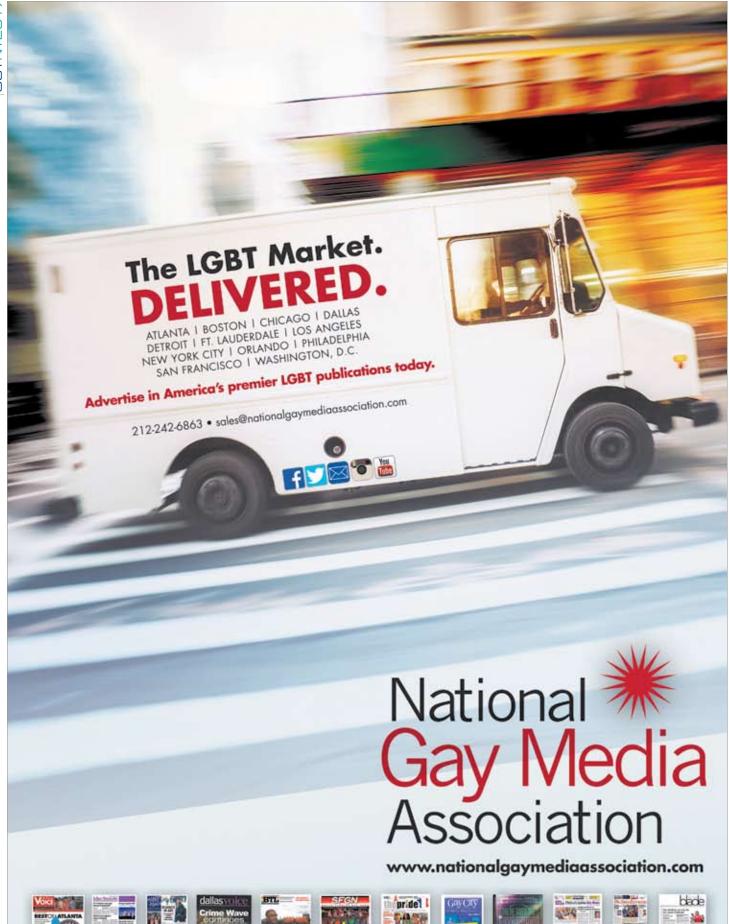
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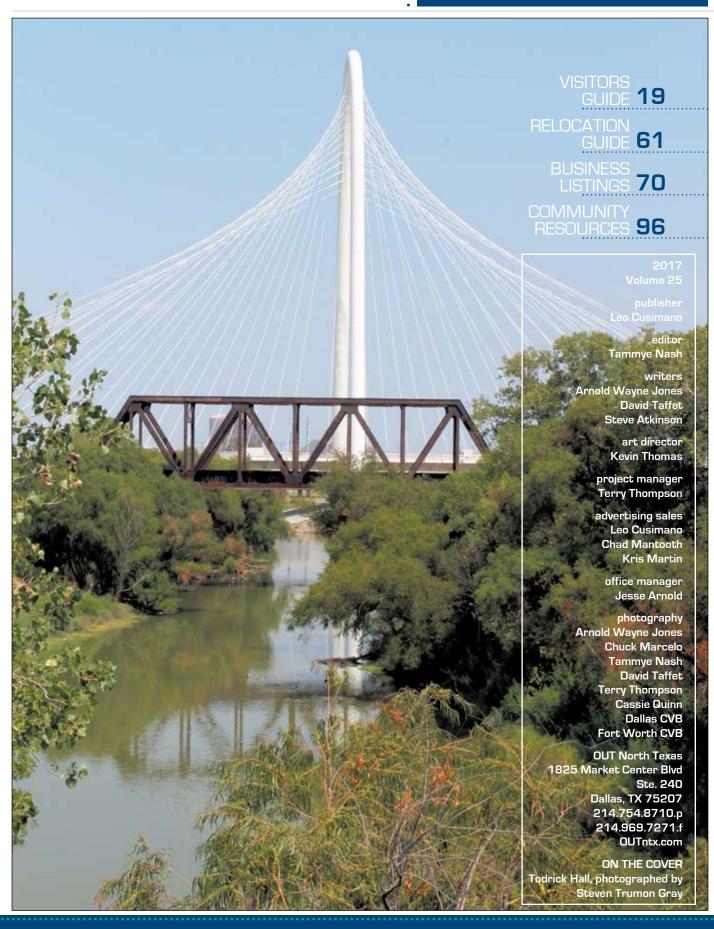








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#### Todrick Hall takes Broadway - again

American Idol introduced Todrick Hall to mainstream America, and he is grateful for the boost the show gave his career. But he's glad that now he can be himself, without stifling his creativity or his identity.

Late in 2016, fresh off his Straight Outta Oz tour and as he was packing up to move from Los Angeles back to New York for the next stage in his career, Hall took time out to talk with Voice Publishing about where he's been and where he's headed.

Born in Arlington — where his family still lives — Hall has been performing onstage since he was 8 years old. By 18, he was performing on Broadway in *The Color Purple* and at 20, in *Memphis, The Musical.* Then he met Fantasia Barrino, the winner of the third season of American Idol who took over the role of Celie in the Broadway production of *Color Purple.* 

"I saw how much *American Idol* had changed her life," Hall said of Barrino, "so I decided to audition. I felt like it would give me a lot more exposure in a totally different way. And it did."

Hall eventually made it to the top 16 — "I wasn't expecting to get that far; I didn't even expect to make it to Hollywood" — but at the same time, the AI competition wasn't really giving him the chance to play to all his strengths. "My only regret is not really believing in myself back then," he said.

"I was also known as a dancer, not just a singer. And dancing wasn't even a factor on *American Idol*," Hall explained.

And, he added, the show didn't give him the chance to shine as his true self: "They always told me [on AI] that I needed to 'appeal to Middle America' so that I could advance. They didn't specifically tell me that I had to hide being gay. It was just — 'We don't care if you're gay, but the people who vote might.' That was the underlying tone in every critique I got on the show.

"It was actually super depressing," Hall continued. "Mostly, I was depressed because I didn't ever show the world who I really was. They only saw a watered-down version of who Todrick Hall truly is. After *American Idol*, I made a vow to myself that from then on, no matter what, I would always show people who I really am."

Hall said he quickly discovered that YouTube gave him the chance to "come out and be 100 percent myself, with no Simon Cowell there to judge me." So he used the video website to start promoting his own work his own way. Before long, he was a viral sensation. So he packed up and left New York, heading for Hollywood to make a new career for himself, online and on TV.

It was, he said, "the best decision I ever made."

Since moving to Hollywood, Hall has continued to build his brand with his YouTube Channel. He launched his YouTube series *Pop Star High* in 2014, and at of the end of 2016, he had nearly 2.4 million subscribers to his channel. YouTube is also where he launched his *Straight Outta Oz* "visual album," which led to this year's tour.

In 2013, Virgin America produced a pop-music safety video featuring Hall. In December of 2014, he produced and starred in a holiday commercial that aired on MTV, acting as a year-end wrapup for MTV and a promo for *Todrick*, the docu-series about him ordered by MTV.

In 2016, Hall was featured in the eighth season *RuPaul's Drag Race* as a judge (the same season that Dallasite and 2016 Out North Texas cover girl Alyssa Edwards returned for an all-star turn on the drag queen competition). The Straight Outta Oz tour began in July, and in October, Hall came home to North Texas to perform at the 2016 Black Tie Dinner.

Then, came the move back to NYC to take over, as of Nov. 1, the role of Lola the drag queen in the award-winning Broadway musical *Kinky Boots*.

"I'm returning to Broadway my way," Hall said, "as a leading man instead of an ensemble dancer. I've got a lead role on Broadway — a Tony Award-winning role in a Tony Award-winning show.

"This role [Lola] is such a huge challenge for me, and that's exactly what I needed," Hall said. "I have accomplished so many things over the last five years, and now I'm returning to Broadway — my first passion, my first love.

"I'm just living my life, and I am so happy. I'm so excited for whatever 2017 may bring."

By Tammye Nash

## TODRICK HALL



#### INNOVATION SPOTLIGHT

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Dr. Carole Ann Boyd, on the front lines of the AIDS battle early in her practice, is training her poodle Max to help comfort her patients today

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In addition to his duties as dental assistant, Max has other interests outside the office. Max has his eye on Hollywood. In his spare time, he's taking classes at What a Great Dog Training Center in Plano and has been going on casting calls.

Despite the fame that Max's budding Hollywood career may soon bring, his daily work remains in the office where Boyd promised his service would be strictly optional. Her care for patients will be the same no matter what.

After years of fighting the AIDS crisis on the front lines, Boyd said it's nice to find a balance in her life — Max, golf, travel (she displays a number of her photos on a video screen in the waiting room), scuba, cooking and classical guitar lessons.

And she has Max to help her relax and enjoy it all.

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By David Taffet

Originally published in the January 15, 2016 issue of Dallas Voice. Find the full story online at DallasVoice.com

## A LETTER FROM THE PUBLISHER LEO CUSIMANO

Welcome to OUT North Texas. This publication is designed to be a resource and a directory for the North Texas LGBT community, its allies, and visitors to DFW. We are not just a glossy magazine, we are a media powerhouse — extending from these pages to our online presence, mobile devices and more.

OUT North Texas is supported by Visit Dallas, the newly-renamed Dallas Convention and Visitors Bureau, through a partnership that is built on promoting Dallas. We are distributed locally at more than 200 distribution locations throughout North Texas, and at conferences and events throughout the country, enticing our fiercely loyal LGBT community to visit or relocate to DFW. We are the official visitors guide for the North Texas LGBT community, as endorsed by Visit Dallas. In addition to our comprehensive visitors' guide we have an extensive business directory and a dynamic relocation resource.

The North Texas LGBT community is very cohesive. Even though Texas is a conservative state, North Texas is a welcoming Metroplex for LGBT visitors and families looking to relocate. Now more than ever, our community needs a VOICE and a place at the table.

In this year of transition, it is especially important for us to support one another and the businesses that value equality. We are fortunate to have, showcased in these pages, a number of businesses that value and support our community. OUT North Texas features advertisers that welcome your business and understand just how you want to be treated... just like anyone else. So please support these advertisers, and tell them you saw their ad in OUT North Texas.

Gratitude is one of our core values, and I am extremely grateful to have the opportunity to bring this publication to you. I am also fortunate to work with a passionate team that brings every talent and effort to bear in producing the best product for our community. Things are looking up for North Texas and for our beloved LGBT community.

Thanks for helping us give you a VOICE!

Leo Cusimano Publisher



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## A LETTER FROM MAYOR RAVVLINGS

#### Greetings!

As mayor of the city of Dallas, it is my honor to congratulate OUT North Texas on its publication of the 2017 Official LGBT Visitors Guide. The OUT North Texas family has been a reliable and useful resource to the lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender community [LGBT] and showcases the vibrancy of the city of Dallas.

I believe that our city is stronger today because of its rich cultural diversity, and OUT North Texas is a reminder of that diversity. Dallas would not be the city that it is today without the many benefits of our diverse population, and it is more important now than ever to support our LGBT community.

Entrepreneurs, small businesses and Fortune 500 firms are discovering the tremendous value of having a diverse workforce and community. That is what brings companies to Dallas and what encourages them to stay. The many retailers, companies,

professionals and service providers listed in this publication play important roles in our region's economy. I encourage readers to support these businesses and explore what they have to offer to our city.

OUT North Texas has also been a reliable and useful resource for travelers, providing the latest information on the city's best entertainment, shopping and dining. The Voice Publishing Company's long commitment to our community is commendable, and I wish OUT North Texas a successful edition.

Again, thank you to OUT North Texas for consistently making a positive impact in our community.







## A LETTER FROM MAYOR PRICE

It is my distinct pleasure to welcome you to the City of Fort Worth. We hope that all of you will savor your stay and enjoy the unique mix of cultural activities found only "Where the West Begins."

As Mayor of Fort Worth, it is with great pride that I would like to tell you about our city, a city of cowboys, culture and community. In one visit you can enjoy an enormous range of experiences – from art to animals, from fashion to family fun. We offer lessons in western history with a tour of the Historic Stockyards, auto racing at the Texas Motor Speedway or a relaxing night of shopping and dining in downtown's historic Sundance Square. The choice is yours!

While you are in Fort Worth, we hope you get a chance to visit:

- Our downtown area ... a nationally noted model of successful urban renaissance filled with restaurants, museums, art galleries, theaters and an abundance of retail shopping. The Sundance Square area of downtown is a "must-see" for everyone visiting the city.
- The Cultural District ... recognized as the "museum capital of the Southwest," is home to world-class museums. We are proud to be home to the Texas Cowgirl Hall of Fame, and we have an outstanding Equestrian Center, one of the country's top-ranked zoos, and a multitude of beautiful parks and gardens.

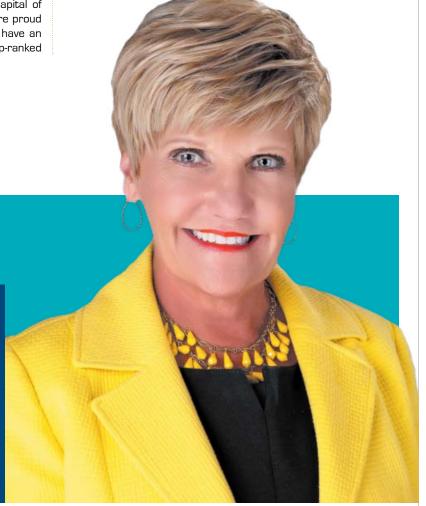
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• Northside's historic Stockyards area ... a delightful journey into the city's western heritage. You are sure to enjoy the area's many shops and restaurants while finding a real-life cowboy or two outfitted with horses and even the cattle drive of the Fort Worth Herd of longhorns!

One of our most valuable assets is our people. Visitors often cite the "Fort Worth Friendly" spirit of our citizens and businesses as the top reason they plan a return visit. We hope you enjoy your time in Cowtown and make plenty of friends that last a lifetime.

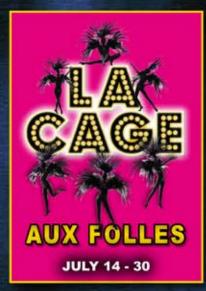
Sincerely,

Betsy Price Mayor



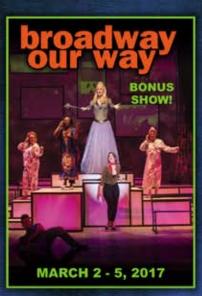
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Big Things Happen Here in Big D – and the world is taking note. In 2016, Dallas earned a coveted three-star rating from the internationally renowned Le Guide Vert Michelin with the editorial director's accolade, "Dallas is a fantastic world class cultural, architectural and culinary destination – my 'coup de Coeur'!" Three-star sites included the Dallas Arts District, Dallas Museum of Art, Sixth Floor Museum and the Meadows Museum. In total, Dallas and its venues received more than 120 stars and 40 pages of coverage.

International tourism to Dallas is up 33 percent, ranking #2 among U.S. cities. And CityPass entered its second year, surpassing goals and saving visitors 41 percent of combined admission to Perot Museum of Nature and Science, Reunion Tower GeO-Deck, the Dallas Zoo or Sixth Floor Museum at Dealey Plaza, and the George W. Bush Presidential Library and Museum or the Dallas Arboretum and Botanical Garden.

Whether a visitor or Dallas resident, you'll find a steady supply of new restaurants, retail, cultural and entertainment venues, hotels and greenspaces, and we encourage you to explore:

- Klyde Warren Park unites Downtown and Uptown at the Dallas Arts District. Year-round food trucks, dog park, yoga, concerts and more have made this a favorite destination.
- Nearby, the Perot Museum features state-of-the-art and interactive exhibits that appeal to all ages. Three million visitors visited during its first three years – impressive!

- George W. Bush Presidential Center at Southern Methodist University displays massive steel from the World Trade Center, a full-sized Oval Office, Texas Rose Garden, an interactive policy decision theater and much more.
- GeO-Deck at Reunion Tower delivers a 360-degree Dallas experience.
- Rory Meyers Children's Adventure Garden at the Dallas Arboretum features family friendly, educational and experiential exhibits.

Dallas is a vibrant, progressive destination that celebrates its diversity. Stay updated on what's Big in Dallas on visitdallas.com. We look forward to sharing our great city with you!

Sincerely

Phillip Jones President and CEO





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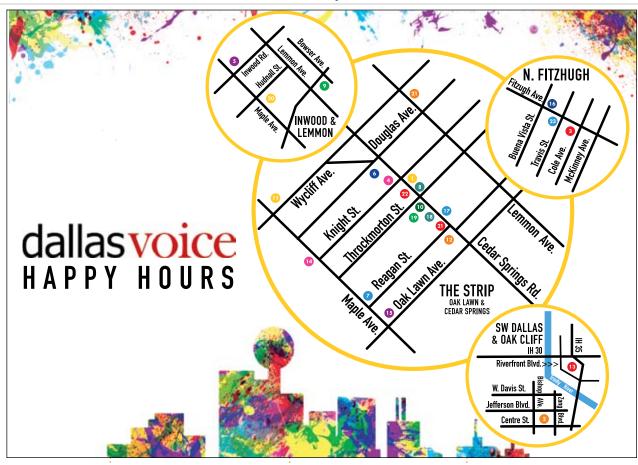
The neighborhood known as "Oak Lawn" has historically been the heart of Dallas' vibrant and active LGBT community. The "gayborhood" has grown over the years, spreading out from the Cedar Springs Strip at its center to encompass parts of Uptown and the Design District and even the edges of the neighboring Park Cities.

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#### SIGHTS & SOUNDS

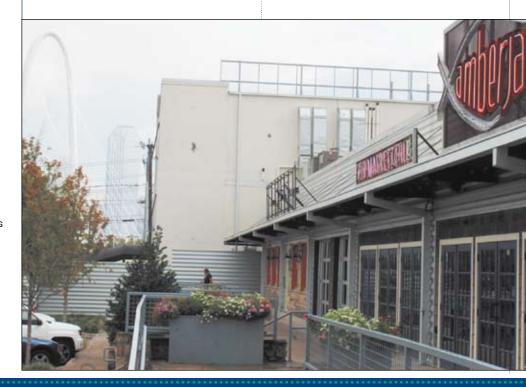
#### CENTRAL LIBRARY (J. ERIK JONSSON)

1515 Young St.

Dallas, 75201 | 214-670-1400

#### DallasLibrary.org

Dallas' largest library offers a comprehensive array of informational documents on its eight floors.



#### PEGASUS, DOWNTOWN DALLAS

#### COTTON BOWL AT FAIR PARK

1300 Robert B. Cullum Blvd.
Dallas, 75210 | 214-670-8400
Located in Fair Park,
the Cotton Bowl is home
to the Southwestern
Cotton Bowl Classic.

#### DALLAS CITY HALL

1500 Marilla St. Dallas, 75201 | 214-670-3011

#### DallasCityHall.com

This building, designed by I.M. Pei and completed in 1978, is the hub of city government services and hosts numerous festivals and special events at its plaza.

#### KAY BAILEY HUTCHINSON CONVENTION CENTER

650 S. Griffin St.

Dallas, 75202 | 214-939-2700

#### DallasConventionCenter.com.

The Dallas Convention Center is one of the largest in the nation. A convention center hotel, the Omni, opened nearby in 2011.

#### DALLAS COUNTY HISTORICAL PLAZA

Market, Elm, Commerce and Houston streets Dallas, 75201 | 214-571-1300 This plaza is marked by several historical buildings and monuments, including The Old Red Courthouse, John Neely Bryan Cabin and the John F. Kennedy Memorial.

## DALLAS FARMERS MARKET & RESOURCE CENTER

1010 S. Pearl Expressway Dallas, 75201 | 214-939-2808

#### DallasFarmersMarket.org.

Established in 1941, the Dallas Farmers Market is the district where farmers sell crops, from food to flowers, directly to customers, plus artisans and restaurants.

#### DALLAS WORLD AQUARIUM

1801 N. Griffin St. Dallas, 75202 | 214-720-2224

#### DWAZoo.com

Exhibits include Mundo Maya, a rainforest and a mammoth aquarium holding 80,000 gallons of saltwater exhibits, including sharks, stingrays and hundreds of reef fish all in living coral reef ecosystems.

#### DALLAS ZOO

650 S. R.L. Thornton Freeway Dallas, 75203 | 214-670-6826

#### DallasZoo.com

A world-class zoo covering 95 acres and featuring many rare and endangered species, including the Endangered Tiger Habitat, the Lacerte Family Children's Zoo with interactive, educational exhibits and the 25-acre Wilds of Africa with its Giants of the Savanna Elephant Habitat.

#### GILLEY'S MUSIC COMPLEX

1135 S. Lamar St.

Dallas, 75215 | 214-421-2021

#### GilleysMusic.com

Gilley's Music Complex houses four music venues: The Palladium Ballroom, the South Side Music Hall, The Loft and The Saloon.

#### GRANADA THEATER

3524 Greenville Ave. Dallas, 75206 | 214-824-9933

#### GranadaTheater.com

Re-purposed former movie palace now books live music events and concerts, and sports viewing parties.

#### JOHN F. KENNEDY MEMORIAL

605 Commerce St.
Dallas, 75202 | 214-571-1300
This stark and simple memorial
to the late president is located in the
Dallas County Historical Plaza.

#### KALITA HUMPHREYS THEATER

3636 Turtle Creek Blvd.
Dallas, 75219
Designed in the 1950s by architect Frank Lloyd Wright, the theater was home to the Dallas Theater Center until the construction of the Wyly Theatre. It has since has been opened to other groups, primarily the gay-centric Uptown Players.

#### MCKINNEY AVENUE TROLLEY

3153 Oak Grove St.
Dallas, 75204 | 214-855-0006

#### MATA.org

Historic trolleys connecting the downtown Arts District with shops, restaurants, galleries and boutiques in Uptown Dallas. Riding is free.

#### MESQUITE CHAMPIONSHIP RODEO

1818 Rodeo Drive

Mesquite, 75149 | 972-285-8777

#### MesquiteRodeo.com

Professional rodeo competitions every Friday and Saturday from June through August. The arena hosts other events throughout the year and in the past has hosted the International Gay Rodeo Association's championship rodeo.

#### MORTON H. MEYERSON SYMPHONY CENTER

2301 Flora St.

Dallas, 75201 | 214-670-3600

#### DallasSymphony.com

This I.M. Pei-designed concert hall is one of the most acclaimed of its kind in North America. It has been an anchor performance hall in the Downtown Arts District for more than 25 years and is home to the Dallas Symphony Orchestra.

#### PEGASUS PLAZA

1500 Main St.

Dallas, 75201 | 214-523-0157 An urban park dedicated to the Pegasus — the flying horse that symbolizes the spirit of Dallas, located downtown in the Dallas City Center.

#### PIONEER PLAZA

Griffin and Young streets
Dallas, 75202 | 214-953-1184
A 4.2-acre plaza featuring the world's largest bronze monument: 40 longhorn steers driven by three cowboys on horseback representing Texas' cattle drives.

#### REUNION TOWER AT HYATT REGENCY DALLAS

300 Reunion Blvd. East Dallas, 75207 | 214-712-7145

#### DallasRegencyHyatt.com

The landmark tower adjacent to the Hyatt Regency Hotel offering a spectacular view from the observation deck on the 50th floor. Also home to Five Sixty, a revolving restaurant operated by famed chef Wolfgang Puck.



#### SCARBOROUGH RENAISSANCE FESTIVAL AND SCREAMS HALLOWEEN THEME PARK

2511 FM 66

Waxahachie 75167 972-938-3247

#### ScarboroughRenFest.com, ScreamsPark.com

Scarborough is 16th century-themed festival with full combat jousting and more, open weekends in April and May. Each October the park converts to a haunted village with eight main attractions, live concerts, games and more.

#### SIX FLAGS HURRICANE HARBOR

1800 E. Lamar Blvd.
Arlington, 76006 | 817-265-3356
SixFlags.com/Parks/HurricaneHarbor
One of the nation's largest collections
of water rides.

#### SIX FLAGS OVER TEXAS

2201 Road To Six Flags Arlington, 76011 | 817-640-8900 SixFlags.com

Major attractions include rides, shows, concerts, games and restaurants. Open for special holiday events, including Fright Fest in October and Holiday in the Park in November and December.

#### SOUTHFORK RANCH

3700 Hogge Road Parker, 75002 | 972-442-7800 SouthforkRanch.com

Southfork Ranch, famous for its representation in the TV show Dallas, includes a memorabilia exhibit, offers tours and is available for private parties.

#### SWISS AVENUE HISTORIC DISTRICT

Upper Swiss Avenue Dallas, 75204

#### SAHD.org

Early 20th century mansions in various styles create a grand boulevard.

#### TRINITY RIVER AUDUBON CENTER

6500 S. Great Trinity Forest Way Dallas. 75217

#### TrinityRiverAudubon.org

Open to the public on a reclaimed dumpsite and offering hiking trails, wildlife including 220 bird species and a welcome center that explains the ecology of the Trinity River.

#### UNION STATION — AMTRAK

400 S. Houston St.

Dallas, 75202 | 214-653-1101

#### DART.org

A vintage 1914, station that is home to Amtrak, Downtown DART Light Rail & Trinity Railway Express. Connected to the Hyatt Regency Dallas via underground.

#### VERIZON THEATER

1001 Performsnce Place Grand Prairie, 75050 | 972-854-5050

#### VerizonTheater.com

An indoor performance space seating more than 6,300 for acts as varied as Justin Beiber and Margaret Cho.

#### WEST END HISTORIC DISTRICT

208 N. Market St., Ste. A Dallas, 75202 | 214-741-7180

#### DallasWestEnd.org

The turn-of-the-century warehouse district west of downtown that is home to various restaurants, shops and nightclubs.

#### WINSPEAR OPERA HOUSE

2303 Flora St.

Dallas, 75201 | 214-443-1000

#### ATTPAC.org

A 2,200-seat state-of-the-art opera house designed by Norman Foster has a distinctive red facade, louvered canopy and modern chandelier, and features performances by the Dallas Opera, TITAS and other arts groups and national touring productions.

#### WYLY THEATRE

2400 Flora St. Dallas, 75201 | 214-978-2800

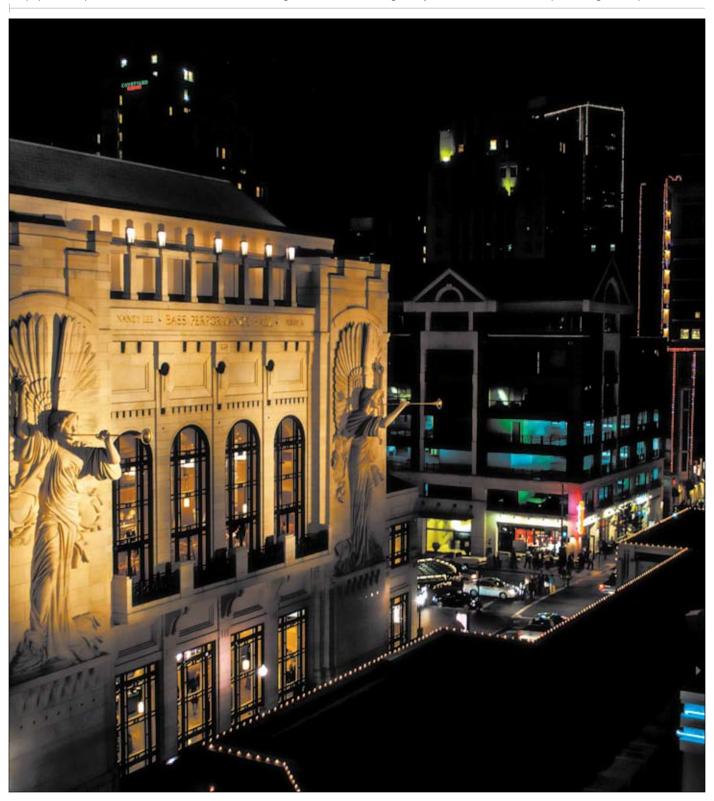
#### ATTPAC.org

An aluminum-tube cube designed by Rem Koolhaas offers a flexible 500-plus seat main theater with a 99-seat black box that can be endlessly reconfigured. It is home to the Dallas Theater Center and the Dallas Black Dance Theatre.

#### FORT WORTH'S OUT LIFE

While Fort Worth does not have a geographically-defined gayborhood such as Oak Lawn in Dallas, the city does have a growing and increasingly active LGBT community. There are several LGBT bars and other businesses clustered just south of downtown in the Jennings Street area, with others grouped on the east side of downtown near the historic Meadowbrook and Handley neighborhoods. Meadowbrook and Handley, with their affordable historic homes and friendly neighbors, also have a large LGBT population.

The city's thriving downtown area, with its newly-renovated Sundance Square is an easily walkable entertainment district, as is the upand-coming West 7th Street area. Situated on the northern tip of Trinity Park and just across the Trinity River from downtown, West 7th bridges the gap between Fort Worth's downtown and its cultural district featuring numerous world-class museums, with a collection of popular shops, bars, restaurants and more, including the renovated Montgomery Plaza, which houses shops and high-end apartments.



**◆BASS HALL ANS SUNDANCE SQUARE** THE MODERN MUSEUM OF FORT WORTH T



Fort Worth Tourist Information Center **Downtown Sundance Square** 415 Throckmorton St. Fort Worth, 76102 800-433-5747 • 817-336-8791 FortWorth.com

#### **IMPORTANT NUMBERS**

Amtrak	800-872-7245
City of Fort Worth	817-392-2255
Convention & Visitors Bureau	817-336-8791
Cultural District/Zoo Info	817-882-8588
DFW International Airport	972-574-8888
Downtown Information	817-336-8791
Emergency (police, fire)	911
Chamber of Commerce	817-336-2491
Historic Stockyards	817-624-4741
The T Bus Service	817-215-8600
Trinity Railway Express	817-215-8600
Tarrant County Courthouse	817-884-1111

#### **HOSPITALS**

Columbia Plaza Med. Center	817-336-2100
Cook Children's Med. Center	817-885-4000
Harris Continued Care Hospital	817-878-5500
Harris Methodist Hospital	817-882-2000
Harris Methodist Southwest	817-346-5000
Hugley Memorial Hospital	817-293-9110
John Peter Smith Hospital	817-921-3431
Tarrant County Hospital Dist.	817-927-1222
US Veterans Outpatient Clinic	817-335-2202
Vencor Hospital	817-332-4812

#### **LGBT BARS AND CLUBS**

#### The 515 Bar 515 S. Jennings Ave. Ft. Worth, 76104

817-338-0515

#### 1851 Club 931 W. Division Arlington 76012 682-323-5315 1851Club.com

Changes 2637 E. Lancaster Ave. Ft. Worth, 76103 817-413-2332

#### Club Reflection 604 Jennings Ave. Ft. Worth, 76104

817-870-8867

Rainbow Lounge 651 S. Jennings Ave. Ft. Worth, 76104 817-744-7723

**Urban Cowboy Saloon** 2620 E. Lancaster Ft. Worth, 76103 817-744-7765

CASA MANANA >

#### **GARDENS & PARKS**

#### BOTANICAL RESEARCH INSTITUTE OF TEXAS

509 Pecan St. Fort Worth, 76102 817-332-4441

#### **BRIT.org**

This facility, housing nearly
1 million plant specimens and a vast
library on botany and horticulture, is
dedicated to conserving our natural
heritage by deepening our knowledge of
the plant world.

#### FORT WORTH BOTANIC GARDENS

3220 Botanic Garden Blvd. Fort Worth, 76107 817-871-7686

#### FWBG.org

The Fort Worth Botanic Garden has more than 2,500 native and exotic species of plants covering 109 acres with more than 21 specialty gardens, including the European-designed Rose Garden and the 10,000-square-foot Conservatory, housing tropical flowers and foliage from around the world.

#### FORT WORTH JAPANESE GARDEN

3220 Botanic Garden Blvd. Fort Worth, 76107 817-871-7686

#### FWBG.org

A 7.5-acre garden with waterfalls and pools filled with koi surrounded by evergreen shrubs, trees, flowers and colorful foliage.

#### FORT WORTH ZOO

1989 Colonial Parkway Fort Worth, 76110 817-759-7555

#### FortWorthZoo.com

The nationally ranked zoo features the 8-acre Texas Wild featuring exhibits focusing on the various regions of the Lone Star State, plus the Museum of Living Art, Raptor Canyon, Asian Falls, the World of Primates, Penguins and more.

#### TRINITY TRAILS

Northside Drive and Samuels to Foster Park 817-871-PARK

#### TrinityTrails.org

Trinity Trails offers 32 miles of paved trails accessible from practically anywhere from Northside Drive and Samuels to Foster Park, just north of I-20. The trail winds through Heritage Park, Trinity Park and Overton Park, with an eastern fork to Gateway Park.

#### FORT WORTH NATURE CENTER

9601 Fossil Ridge Road Fort Worth, 76135 817-237-1111

#### FWNatureCenter.org

The 3,500-acre sanctuary offers 25 miles of trails and a chance to explore native wildlife and plants — including buffalo, white-tailed deer and Texas wildflowers. The Hardwicke Interpretive Center includes nature programs, exhibits and a library.

#### **MUSEUMS**

#### AMON CARTER MUSEUM

3501 Camp Bowie Blvd. Fort Worth, 76107 817-738-1933

#### CarterMuseum.org

This museum features exceptional works of major 19th and 20th century American artists, including legendary Western artists Frederic Remington and Charles M. Russell, and other magnificent artists like Georgia O'Keeffe and Stuart Davis. It houses the second-largest collection of photography in the country.

#### KIMBELL ART MUSEUM

3333 Camp Bowie Blvd. Fort Worth, 76107 817-332-8451

#### KimbellArt.org

The Kimbell offers a world-class collection of art, including works by El Greco, Cezanne, Rembrandt, Picasso and Matisse. The museum also regularly hosts major traveling exhibitions. The Kimbell building is widely regarded as one of the most outstanding public art facilities in the world and includes a new pavilion designed by Renzo Piano.

#### MODERN ART MUSEUM OF FORT WORTH

3200 Darnell St. Fort Worth, 76107 817-738-9215, 866-824-5566

#### The Modern.org

The Modern Art Museum of Fort Worth embodies the principles of classical Japanese architecture while employing modern Western techniques. Designed by acclaimed Japanese architect Tadao Ando, it features 53,000 square feet of gallery space, a 1.5-acre pond, a cafe overlooking the water and a 250-seat auditorium. The Modern showcases masterworks of modern and contemporary American and European art from 1945 to the present.

#### FORT WORTH MUSEUM OF SCIENCE & HISTORY

1501 Montgomery St. Fort Worth, 76107 817-255-9300, 888-255-9300

#### FWMuseum.org

One of the largest science and history museums in the Southwest, offering nine permanent exhibits, including DinoDig, Kidspace and Hands-On Science, as well as the domed Omni Theater and the Noble Planetarium.

#### AMERICAN AIRLINES C.R. SMITH MUSEUM

4601 Texas Highway 360 Fort Worth, 76155 817-967-1560

#### CRSmithMuseum.org

This museum shows the fascinating world of commercial aviation through interactive exhibits, dioramas, a large-screen theater and a restored DC-3.

#### STOCKYARDS MUSEUM

131 E. Exchange Ave. Fort Worth, 76106 817-625-5082

#### StockyardsMuseum.org

This museum tells the story of the Fort Worth Stockyards and the local meatpacking industry, explaining how Fort Worth became known as "Cowtown."

#### SID RICHARDSON COLLECTION OF WESTERN ART

309 Main St. Fort Worth, 76102 817-332-6554

#### SidRMuseum.org

Located downtown in Sundance Square, this collection features the works of Frederic Remington and Charles M. Russell.

#### TEXAS COWBOY HALL OF FAME

128 E. Exchange Ave. Fort Worth, 76102 817-626-7131

#### TexasCowboyHallofFame.com

Housed in the area's original horse and mule barns, the museum features the Sterquell Wagon Collection, a collection of more than 60 wagons, carriages and sleighs that have been restored, and videos, trophies, saddles and photographs from Hall of Fame honorees. The John Justin Trail of Fame, named for the famous boot maker, showcases a variety of boots and special memorabilia from this legendary Western industry.

#### NATIONAL COWGIRL MUSEUM & HALL OF FAME

1720 Gendy St. Fort Worth, 76107 817-336-4475

#### Cowgirl.net

The is the only museum in the world honoring women of the American West who have displayed extraordinary courage and pioneer spirit, it include 3,000 square feet of interactive exhibits, artifacts from the permanent collection, a traveling exhibit gallery, multi-purpose theater, expanded research library, wild-west-show-themed gift store and a grand rotunda where visitors can learn about the 158 women in the museum's hall of fame.

#### HISTORIC WALL AT INTERMODAL TRANSPORTATION CENTER

9th and Jones streets

Fort Worth, 76102
Located in the Intermodal Transportation
Center, the Historic Wall celebrates
the African-American mercantile and
warehouse district that thrived in the
eastern edge of downtown in early Fort
Worth. The artwork is composed of
carved and stained brick panels, and

#### NATIONAL COWBOYS OF COLOR MUSEUM

3400 Mount Vernon Ave. Fort Worth, 76102 817-534-8801

#### CowboysofColor.org

This museum highlights the role of African-Americans in the American West, telling their stories through artwork, photos and other historical items.

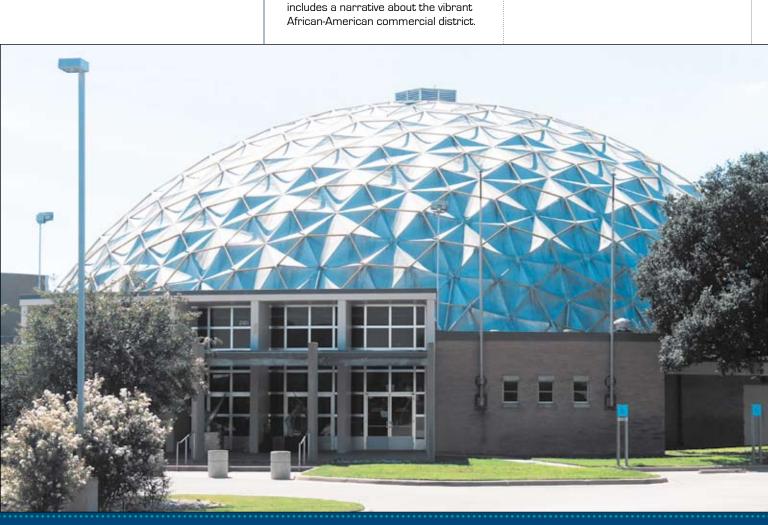
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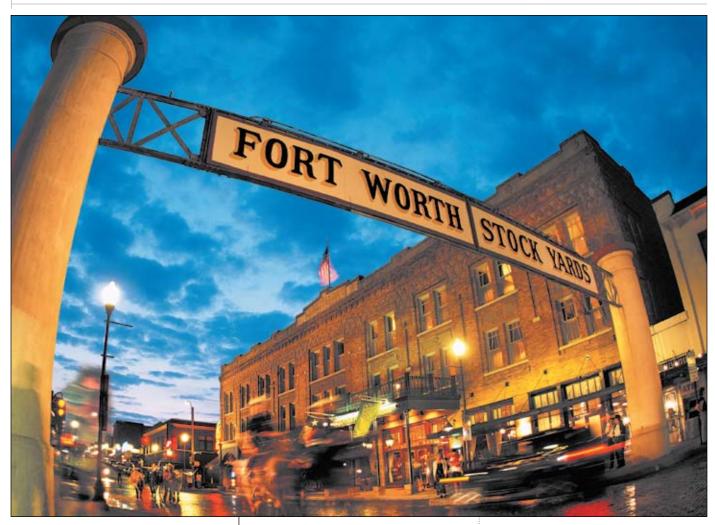
#### BASS PERFORMANCE HALL

525 Commerce St. Fort Worth, 76102 817-212-4200

#### BassHall.com

The crown jewel of Downtown Fort Worth, the Nancy Lee and Perry R. Bass Performance Hall is an acclaimed multi-purpose facility and permanent home of the Fort Worth Symphony Orchestra, the Texas Ballet Theater the Fort Worth Opera, the Cliburn Concerts, the Van Cliburn International Piano Competition and some presentations by Casa Mañana.





#### **BILLY BOB'S TEXAS**

2520 Rodeo Plaza Fort Worth, 76102 817-624-7117

#### BillyBobsTexas.com

The world's largest honky-tonk comprises 7 acres and includes its own indoor rodeo arena, two dance floors, 25 bars, restaurants, arcade games, a Wall of Fame with celebrity handprints and a general store, plus live musical entertainment every night and free dance lessons on Thursday nights.

#### CASA MAÑANA

3101 W. Lancaster Ave. Fort Worth, 76107 817-332-2272

#### CasaManana.org

Housed in a geodesic dome, this famous theater-in-the-round offers Broadway musicals, national touring shows, concerts and comedies.

#### CIRCLE THEATRE

230 W. 4th St. Fort Worth, 76102 817-877-3040

#### CircleTheatre.com

Located in Sundance Square, Circle Theatre offers contemporary plays rarely seen in Fort Worth. The theater space seats 125 and celebrates Texas' unique culture, often producing works by Texas playwrights.

#### CLIBURN CONCERTS

2525 Ridgmar Blvd., Ste. 307 Fort Worth, 76116 817-738-6536

#### Cliburn.org

This concert series has for decades brought some of the world's greatest classical performers to Fort Worth, from legendary names to dazzling newcomers, and from instrumental concerts to vocal performances. Events are held at Bass Hall.

#### COWTOWN COLISEUM

121 E. Exchange Ave. Fort Worth, 76102 817-625-1025

#### CowtownColiseum.com

Built in 1908, the Cowtown Coliseum was the site of the world's first indoor rodeo. It hosts events throughout the year, including the Stockyards Championship Rodeo. Performances every Friday and Saturday.

Lots of big cities have a gayborhood, offering LGBT residents and visitors a place where they know they can go to eat, drink, shop and play in a fun and gay-positive environment. There's The Castro in San Francisco and Chelsea in New York; South Beach in Miami and Montrose in Houston.

## OUT IN THE GAYBORHOODS

Here in Dallas, we have TWO gayborhoods, and one of the oldest — The Strip on Cedar Springs/Oak Lawn — was voted Best Gayborhood in the U.S. in Out Traveler's 2014 survey. The Oak Lawn gayborhood continues to grow, spreading south to the Uptown area and west into the Dallas Design District, while Bishop Arts District/Oak Cliff becomes ever more vibrant and inclusive.

"The Crossroads" is one nickname for the intersection of Cedar Springs Road and Throckmorton Street, there at the heart of Dallas' oldest and largest gayborhood. It's also called "Oak Lawn," "Cedar Springs" and "The Strip." But regardless what you call it, everyone knows this is the place to go if you're looking for the LGBT community.

Oak Lawn was once a dodgy neighborhood sandwiched between Downtown Dallas and the Park Cities. But the in 1970s, the LGBT community began moving in, gentrifying the neighborhood and creating a gay mecca. These days, thanks to its proximity to Highland Park, University Park and Uptown, Oak Lawn Avenue has become prime real estate and one of the most desirable addresses in town. You can find all the trendiest places to see and be seen, to shop and to live, including everything from markets such as EatZi's to fancy restaurants like Al Biernat's and comfortable hangouts like Lucky's. The mixed-use development ilume opened in 2009 and quickly became a social lightning rod, with residential space, Dish restaurant and the ilume Gallerie, and the sister development, ilume Park, a dog-friendly residence. Oak Lawn runs perpendicular to three other busy drags: Lemmon Avenue, Cedar Springs Road and Maple Avenue, all of which

#### THE STRIP ON CEDAR SPRINGS / OAK LAWN

claim their share of nightclubs and gayowned and -managed businesses.

Caven Enterprises owns four clubs along the Strip



(JR.'s Bar & Grill, Sue Ellen's, TMC: The Mining Company and Station 4). The Round-Up Saloon gives the gayborhood a cowboy flavor. Kroger's grocery store is as much a pick-up joint and meeting place as a market. The Crossroads is the point from which all things queer emanate in Dallas, from the Alan Ross Texas Freedom Parade winding its route through the streets in September to the biggest Halloween street party in the city. And all year long, it's where gay Dallas calls home.

# BISHOP ARKET MARKET MARKET

#### Once one of the city's toniest residential areas. Oak Cliff southwest of Downtown Dallas had come to be seen as an area of high crime and poverty. But once again, the LGBT community stepped in and led the way in restoring Oak Cliff to its former glory, and the area has, over recent years, seen a resurgence in appeal and an increase

in rents. And still it remains one of the most affordable — and the most interesting — areas of town.

The growth has been largely concentrated around the Bishop Arts District, an up-and-coming neighborhood surrounded by Davis and Bishop avenues. Chief among the draws for this historically funky, artsy center are the restaurants and boutiques, many gay-owned.

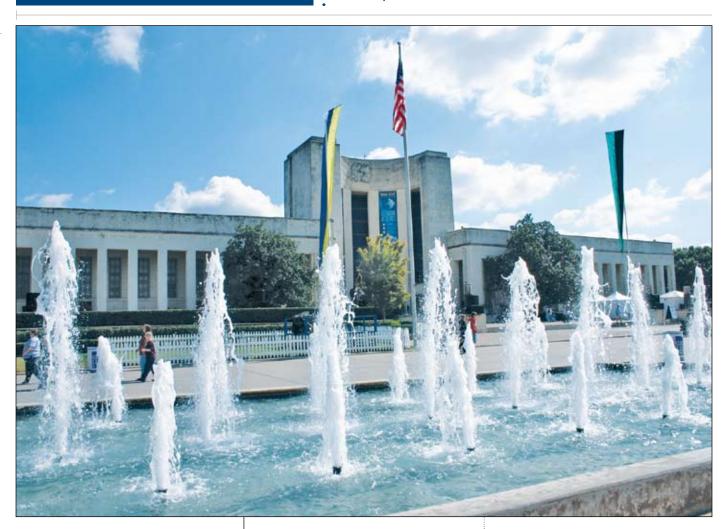




From Hattie's to Veracruz restaurant, there's also the acclaimed Lucia restaurant, the Oak Cliff branch of the gay-popular hamburger joint Hunky's and Tillman's Roadhouse, designed by famed gay style guru Todd Fiscus. The list is nearly endless, as new shops create more and more reasons for the gay community of Dallas to head south of the Trinity and call this place home.

## DESTINATIONS

**Every city has at least one "Don't Miss" destination** — that place that embodies the spirit of the city and is a must-see, for residents and visitors alike. The Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex has dozens of them. Here are just a few.



#### FAIR PARK & THE STATE FAIR OF TEXAS

Dallas' Fair Park, located just southeast of Downtown, is home to the annual Texas State Fair, which runs from late September into October each year and is the largest state fair in the country. Fair Park, open year round, is linked by location to the earliest state fair grounds, dating back to 1886. But most of the existing buildings were constructed in the Art Deco style specifically for the 1936 Exposition, which celebrated the 100th anniversary of the Texas Republic. Today, Fair Park is the only intact and unaltered pre-1950s world fair site remaining in the U.S. The 227-acre park, designated as a National Historic Landmark in 1986, hosts more than 7 million visitors each year for the fair, various sporting events and cultural and entertainment events. Southeast of Downtown Dallas, just off Interstate 30. FairPark.org.

#### FORT WORTH STOCKYARDS

Fort Worth has long been known as the place "Where the West begins." Nowhere is that more obvious than in the Fort Worth Stockyards, the head of the legendary Chisholm Trail and later, the city's meatpacking district and livestock exchange. Today, the past and present collide in the Stockyards. Twicedaily cattle drives featuring mounted cowhands herding Texas longhorns through the streets, the Stockyards Museum, the Texas Cowboy Hall of Fame and the Grapevine Vintage Railroad keep history alive. The world-famous honkytonk Billy Bob's Texas and the Stockyards Championship Rodeo maintain the cowboy flavor, and the Stockyards Station offers up plenty of shopping and topnotch restaurants. North of Downtown Fort Worth, on Exchange Avenue at North Main Street.

FortWorthStockyards.org

#### DALLAS ARTS DISTRICT

Dallas has had a thriving fine arts community for more than a century. The Arts District, strung out along Flora Street on the edge of Downtown, features the world-renowned Winspear Opera House, the Wyly Theatre and the Morton H. Meyerson Symphony Center. Add in the museums - The Nasher Sculpture Center, the Dallas Museum of Art and the Trammell and Margaret Crow Collection of Asian Art. and Dallas has the largest contiguous urban arts district in the country. Across Woodall Rogers Freeway, the Perot Museum of Nature and Science adds another dimension to the cultural offerings. Along Flora Street in Dallas. And over Woodall Rogers, Klyde Warren Park offers a whole new angle on the idea of culture.TheDallasArtsDistrict.org.

◆FAIR PARK
DINERS AT TRINITY GROVES ▼



### FORT WORTH CULTURAL DISTRICT

Fort Worth's about a lot more than just longhorns and cowboys. There's plenty of culture in Cowtown, too. The Kimball Art Museum features a collection ranging from antiquity to contemporary. The Modern Art Museum building is almost as dazzling as the exhibitions it houses, and the Amon Carter Museum is home to a substantial photographic collection. Nearby is the Fort Worth Museum of Science and History, and the city's Wild West heritage is represented by the National Cowgirl Museum West of Downtown, near the intersection of Camp Bowie and Lancaster Avenue.

FWCulture.com

#### SIXTH FLOOR MUSEUM

For decades, Dallas battled against being known as the city where President John F. Kennedy was assassinated. Then civic leaders decided that instead of backing away from history, they should explore it. Thus was born the Sixth Floor Museum. Situated in the old School Book Depository — the building from which Lee Harvey Oswald shot the president — the Sixth Floor Museum chronicles the assassination and the legacy of John F. Kennedy and presents contemporary culture within the context of presidential history. 411 Elm St. in Dallas **JFK.org** 

### JFK TRIBUTE IN FORT WORTH

When you mention JFK and Texas, everyone immediately thinks of Dealey Plaza and the School Book Depository in Dallas. But fewer people realize that before he went to Dallas that fateful November day, President Kennedy spent the previous night at the Hotel Texas in downtown Fort Worth, and on the morning of Nov. 22, met with a crowd of well-wishers outside the hotel before speaking at the Fort Worth Chamber of Commerce breakfast. Today, the city of Fort Worth honors Kennedy and his legacy with the JFK Tribute, featuring sculpture of President Kennedy, images that capture moments in time and inscriptions describing his stay in Fort Worth. General Worth Square, at the intersection of Main and 8th streets.

JFKTribute.com

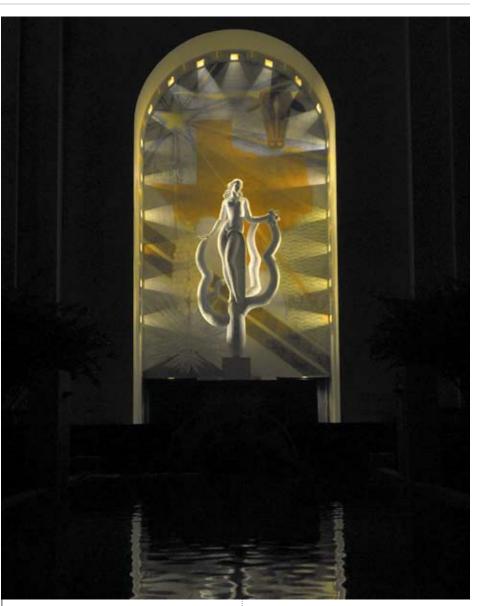
▼ WOMEN'S MUSEUM BUIDING AT FAIRPARK [TERRY THOMPSON]
WHITE ROCK LAKE ▶

#### SIX FLAGS OVER TEXAS/ HURRICANE HARBOR

Located near the geographic heart of the DFW Metroplex, Six Flags Over Texas has been providing family fun for all kinds of families for more than 50 years. The 212-acre park, the first of the Six Flag Theme Parks, offers rides for all ages - including the tallest and fastest roller coaster in Texas in The Titan, and the Texas Giant wooden roller coaster. shopping, Broadway-style musical revues and concerts by big-name entertainers. Although most people think of Six Flags as just a summertime destination, the park is also open the month of October for Frightfest, and from the end of November through December for Holiday in the Park. Just across the interstate sits Six Flags' sister park, Six Flags Hurricane Harbor water park. Wiith 50 acres of rides and slides and a 1-million-gallon wave pool, Hurricane Harbor is the largest water park in North Texas.Interstate 30 at Highway 360 in Arlington SixFlags.com

### DALLAS WORLD

Situated in an old warehouse in Dallas' West End, Dallas World Aquarium is a for-profit aquarium and zoo intended to aid conservation and education by housing many animals that are threatened or endangered as part of a cooperative breeding program with other zoos around the world. The upper level of the aquarium is an artificial reproduction of the Orinoco Rainforest, an aviary with birds such as scarlet ibis and toucans flying freely and the only public display of three-toed sloths in the U.S., plus electric eels, caecilians, tamarins, poison dart frogs, Orinoco crocodiles, and vampire bats. The lower level houses aquaria featuring fish, sea anemones, coral, jellyfish, and other sea animals from around the world. 1801 N. Griffin St. in Dallas **DWAZoo.com** 



#### CONTINENTAL AVENUE BRIDGE & WEST DALLAS GATEWAY

Up until the opening of the Margaret Hunt Hill Bridge, designed by Santiago Calatrava, the Continental Avenue Bridge was the link between most of Dallas and Dallas west of the Trinity River. Once the new Calatrava bridge was built, the Continental Avenue Bridge was closed and redesigned into a concrete park spanning the river, thanks to a private partnership between the city of Dallas and The Trinity Trust. The bridge offers active and passive play spaces, programmed activities and an up-close view of the river, Trinity Floodway and the Margaret Hunt Hill Bridge.109 Continental Ave. in Dallas

DallasContinentalBridge.com

#### TRINITY GROVES

Trinity Groves is a 15-acre site at the western end of the Margaret Hunt Hill Bridge and the Continental Bridge offering restaurants, retail shops, arts and entertainment, including the innovative Trinity Groves Project, Restaurant Concept Incubator program that encourages chefs and restaurateurs to create and present unique restaurant concepts to a team of experienced restaurateurs who will then support them to bring their ideas to reality. On Singleton Ave. in Dallas, just west of the Trinity River. **TrinityGroves.com** 

#### GREAT TRINITY FOREST

Great Trinity Forest, with possibly the largest urban bottomland hardwood forest in America, is part of the Trinity River Corridor Project's environmental and recreational charter. The forest extends from the Santa Fe Trestle Trail near Corinth Street and Riverfront Boulevard, within view of downtown Dallas, to just past I-20, an 11-mile stretch of land that basically follows the Trinity River. Owned almost exclusively by the city of Dallas, the Great Trinity Forest is home to groves of urban bottomland hardwoods, and at 6,000 acres the Trinity Forest far overshadows New York's 840-acre Central Park. Future plans include equestrian facilities and whitewater, rafting, nature trails and multipurpose trails for hiking, boating and more. TrinityRiverCorridor.com

#### FOSSIL RIM WILDLIFE CENTER

Fossil Rim Wildlife Center is an 1,800acre conservation, research and education center located southwest of DFW near the small town of Glen Rose. The park gives visitors an up-close look at a number of endangered species and up to 1,000 exotic animals through self-guided tours and tours guided by docents. The center also offers lodging for guests who want to make the most of their visit. FossilRim.org

#### RIVER LEGACY PARK

River Legacy Park, running along the Trinity River on the north side of Arlington, began in 1988 as a partnership between the city of Arlington and River Legacy Foundation to preserve and enhance the parkland along the Trinity River as an educational, recreational and natural resource. The park opened in 1990 with just 376 acres but now encompasses 1,300 acres of paved and unpaved trails for hiking and biking, a nature center with interactive exhibits, aquariums, terrariums, environmental educational programs and a gift shop.

#### RiverLegacy.org

#### WHITE ROCK LAKE PARK

White Rock Lake Park is an Audubon Society-designated bird watching area and wetlands site with numerous scenic picnic areas, two boat ramps, fishing piers where anglers can catch catfish, sunfish and bass, and event facilities —Winfrey Point and Big Thicket — available for rent. The park is also home to numerous special events including the March of Dimes Walk for America White Rock Marathon and White Rock Lake Trash Bash. White Rock Lake Park is on the city's near east side. WhiteRockLake.org

#### DINOSAUR VALLEY STATE PARK

The 1,587-acre Dinosaur Valley State Park opened in 1972 with one main mission: to preserve valuable dinosaur track sites located along the Paluxy River and thus allow people to learn from and enjoy them. The park, with a variety of campsites available, features a 70-foot model of an Apatosaurus and a 45-foot model of a tyrannosaurus rex, both of which were displayed at the 1964-65 New York World's Fair. The Atlantic Richfield Company donated them to the park in 1970. Tracks from the park are on display at the American Museum of Natural History in New York and at the Texas Memorial Museum in Austin. The park offers plenty of room for camping, picnicking, hiking, mountain biking, swimming, fishing, horseback riding and more. There is also an interpretive center open to the public.

TDWD.Texas.Gov/State-Parks/ Dinosaur-Valley



### THE BEST PLACES TO DINE

**Texans love their food**, and while all that first time visitors might think of is Tex-Mex and tacos, the Dallas/Fort Worth Metroplex offers a variety of culinary options in a variety of price ranges. And yes, there's plenty of top-notch Tex-Mex and tacos. too.



### ... Commune with spirits: URBAN TACO.

Its agave spirits program gives the Uptown, upscale taqueria a claim to being our favorite tequilaria as well. 3411 McKinney Ave.

#### Dinedsrg.com

#### ... Grab a brew and people-watch: CEDAR SPRINGS TAP HOUSE.

The gayborhood hangout has the feel of a cozy but buzzy dive, but with a good selection of beers, some nice meal-deals and a patio overlooking The Strip, making it a convenient way to relax and be part of the scene.

4123 Cedar Springs Road.

CedarSpringsTapHouse.com

#### ... Enjoy barbecue in its purest form: LOCKHART SMOKEHOUSE

So many folks think good barbecue is about the sauce, but the best is just the most flavorful smoked meats that don't even need a sauce. That's the experience at this Bishop Arts destination.

400 W. Davis St.

#### LockhartSmokehouse.com

#### ... Have a quick burger among family: HUNKY'S OLD-FASHIONED HAMBURGERS.

Long a Cedar Springs institution, this gay-run burger joint also has a branch in Oak Cliff's Bishop Arts District, and serves traditional burgers with a hint of flamboyance.

3940 Cedar Springs Road.

Hunkys.com

## ... Have your choice of three-dozen restaurants in two blocks: LOWER GREENVILLE AVENUE.

The east-of-Downtown strip
has had its ups and downs
over the decade. But ever since Trader
Joe's moved into the neighborhood it's
been a series of ups, with dozens of new
restaurants, bars and businesses adding
diversity and a panoply of great foodie
concepts. Greenville Avenue between
Ross and Belmont avenues.

◆TRINITY GROVES EL TIZONCITO ▼

### ... Watch a drag show over eggs Benedict:

#### CEDAR GROVE

We've been fans of this modern American restaurant in the 'hood' since it opened this year, but when they instituted the monthly Drag Brunch (last Sunday of every month), it made dealing with a hangover seem almost like your Saturday night hadn't even ended. 4123 Cedar Springs Road.

#### CedarGrove-dallascom

#### ... Veg out: COSMIC CAFE.

An Oak Lawn institution, this vegetarian restaurant exudes funky coolness, with its ornate décor, upstairs yoga studio, self-serve chai tea station and delicious animal-friendly recipes, the prices of which are all multiples of nine (a mystic number). 2912 Oak Lawn Ave.

#### CosmicCafeDallas.com

### ... Drink cheap beer. THE HIDDEN DOOR.

The Sunday afternoon beer bust — with drafts just 50 cents — gets you in the door; the camaraderie of the bearish clientele keeps you coming back. 5025 Bowser Ave.

#### HiddenDoor-Dallas.com

### ... Figure out what will be hot next year: TRINITY GROVES.

This still-newish West Dallas development that serves as a lab for restaurant concepts continues to expand and experiment with new concepts, and enliven the West Dallas scene overall. 425 Bedford St.

#### TrinityGroves.com

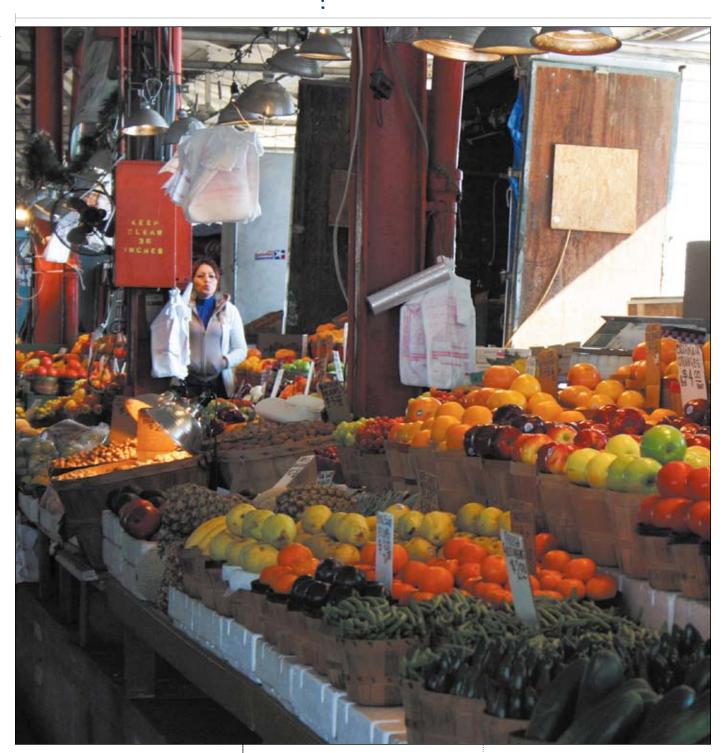
#### ... Have a slice: CANE ROSSO.

This Deep Ellum spot, with a sister version in Fort Worth, offers great hand-crafted pizzas. 2612 Commerce St., Dallas. 815 W. Magnolia Ave., Fort Worth.

IICaneRosso.com



▼ DOWNTOWN DALLAS FARMERS MARKET HUNKY'S IN BISHOP ARTS DISTRICT >



#### ... Watch the game with a fine craft beer: PHD.

Cliff-dwellers have already discovered this gay-owned sports bar, a neighborhood sports bar serving comfort food and a good selection of locally-brewed beers in a welcoming, inclusive environment. 1300 W. Davis St.

PHDallas.com

#### ... Get an authentic taco: EL TIZONCITO.

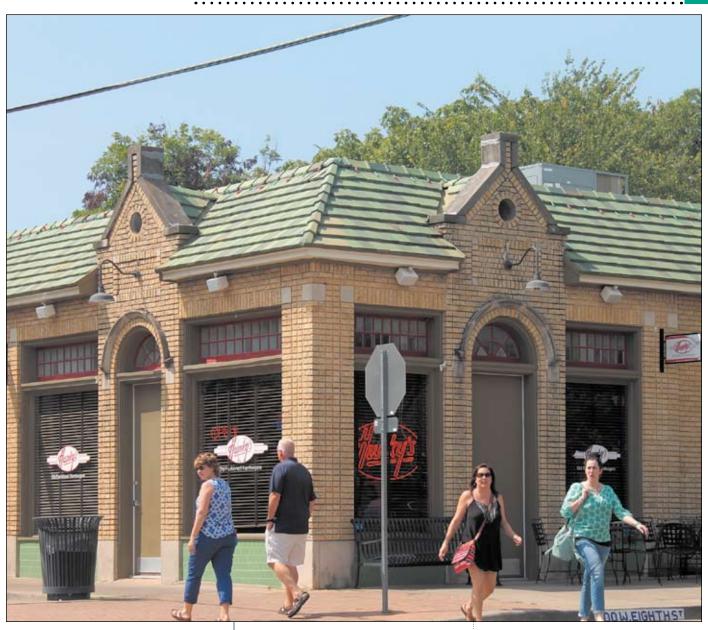
Our favorite taqueria is this Lemmon Avenue stop, with a full bar and friendly décor in addition to some of the best Mexico City-style tacos in town. 5150 Lemmon Ave.

ElTizoncitoUS.com

### ... Have a foodgasm in Uptown: WHOLE FOODS MARKET.

The McKinney Avenue location of the organic and natural grocery chain has underground parking, a large petfood section and everything from fine wines to made-to-order prepared meals and a craft beer wall ... all in the center of Uptown activity.

2510 McKinney Ave.



## ... Enjoy a fantastic meal while doing something good for the community: $CAFÉ\ MOMENTUM$ .

Although it started as a pop-up restaurant, in late 2013 it set up permanent home Downtown, serving delicious meals. But the concept also includes teaching disadvantaged youth the trade of the food service biz, from cooking to hosting to bussing tables. 1510 Pacific Ave.

CafeMomentum.org

### ... Eat lunch on wheels: DALLAS ARTS DISTRICT.

The food truck movement finally took hold in Dallas, and while the advantage of the trucks is their mobility, there's usually a concentration of assorted truck outside the buildings in the Arts District during the weekday lunch rush.

Flora Street between Routh and Pearl streets.

#### Across the Trinity:

Fort Worth recommendations

### ... Grab a bite after the theater: GRACE.

Possibly Fort Worth's fanciest (but still approachable) Downtown eatery is this star, from chef Blaine Staniford. Located just down the street from the lovely Bass Performance Hall.

777 Main St., Fort Worth. GraceFort-Worth.com

### ... Eat an enchilada:

Sorry, but the enchiladas at the Sundance Square space are better than you've had anywhere — even if your Mexican mama made them for you in the crib. Yum. 310 Houston St.,

Fort Worth. Reata.net

#### ... HAVE AUTHENTIC TEXAS cuisine: LONESOME DOVE WESTERN BISTRO.

Chef Tim Love's urban take on classic Southwestern dishes has made him a star in the kitchen and this signature restaurant will let you know why. 2406 N. Main St.,

Fort Worth.

 ${\bf Lone some Dove Bistro.com}$ 

## ACCOMODATIONS

In recent years, the city of Dallas has grown to understand even more the value of LGBT tourism, and the city's hospitality industry is sophisticated and welcoming. And while most major hotel chains — as well as many smaller chains and boutique hotels and B&Bs — are familiar with and helpful to their LGBT clientele, there are some accommodations that stand out as being especially welcoming to LGBT travelers.

#### HILTON ANATOLE

This luxurious hotel is set on 45 acres of land near the heart of Dallas, with rooms and suites offering custom-designed beds, flat-screen TVs and WiFi (for a fee). Executive rooms provide access to the Executive Lounge's free breakfast and evening appetizers. The Hilton Anatole also offers multiple dining options, including an upscale steakhouse and a cocktail bar, plus an outdoor pool, jogging trails, tennis courts, a spa, fitness center (for a fee), a business center and more than 349,000 square feet of meeting space. The hotel also has a 1,000-piece fine art collection.

2201 N. Stemmons Freeway. 214-748-1200

HiltonAnatole.com

#### CROWNE PLAZA DALLAS MARKET CENTER

This up-market hotel and conference center, situated just north of downtown Dallas, offers classic rooms with free Wi-Fi, flat-screen TVs and work desks, and upgraded rooms in pull-out couches. Amenities include a casual grill restaurant and a clubby bar, an indoor pool, a fitness center, a business center and 12,000 square feet of event space. Parking is free. Crowne Plaza is a long-time host hotel for Dallas Bears' Texas Bear Round Up.

7050 Stemmons Freeway. 214-630-8500

#### DAISY POLK INN

Dallas' only gay bed-and-breakfast, the Daisy Polk Inn is a delightful arts and crafts manse just a block off the Cedar Springs Strip.

Six beautifully appointed rooms, coddle you in luxury and old-school charm. Steeped in history and eclectic décor, it — along with the more private Dickason Cottage in back — offers comfort and convenience.

2917 Reagan St.
214-522-4692

DaisyPolkInn.com

#### HOTEL ZAZA

214-468-8399 **HotelZaza.com** 

Located in the heart of Uptown, the Zaza is a perpetually busy boutique hotel with a large gay following. The saucily-decorated rooms are tucked away on a side street within a few paces of the hubbub of Uptown nightlife, but its own Dragonfly restaurant (and popular Urban Oasis pool bar) give you plenty of things to do without leaving the grounds. On select weekends, the Sunday School brunch is a dance party/meal that attracts a mixed gay-straight crowd.

#### W DALLAS - VICTORY

Part of the Starwood Hotels brand, the W in Victory Park features its dramatic Ghostbar (and the Ghostdeck with see-through floor). The hotel exudes a funkiness common to the chain, with amenities like Cook Hall restaurant, which serves gastropub cuisine. Shortly after the U.S. Supreme Court's landmark marriage equality ruling in June 2015, the W Dallas hosted the wedding of a gay couple that featured guest DJ Lady Bunny, in from New York, a surprise performance by Jennifer Husdon — and the Starwood Hotels brand paid for the whole shindig as part of its efforts to support marriage equality. 2440 Victory Park Lane 214-397-4100

WHotels.com/Dallas



◆ANATOLE HOTEL

THE W IN VICTORY PARK ▼

#### SHERATON DALLAS HOTEL

Looming 42 stories over the Dallas skyline, the high-rise Sheraton is a massive hotel that has long been a friend to the gay community, hosting such events as the annual Miss Gay USofA drag pageant and the Black Tie Dinner (Dallas' dinner is the largest nationwide; the Sheraton's ballroom accommodates up to 5,000 guests). Following a \$90 million renovation in 2009, the hotel offers 1,840 guest rooms and 70 meeting spaces. Near both the Dallas Convention Center and the Downtown Arts District. the Sheraton is centrally located in the heart of Dallas' Central Business District, and abuts a DART rail line. The Kitchen Table restaurant serves American style cuisine. 400 N. Olive St. 214-922-8000

#### SheratonDallasHotel.com

#### WARWICK MELROSE DALLAS

Sitting smack in the middle of the Dallas gayborhood — at the corner of Oak Lawn Avenue and Cedar Springs Road — the 1924 red brick Melrose is also conveniently close to others of the city's must-see attractions. The elegant rooms feature flat-screen TVs, coffeemakers and WiFi (for a surcharge), while upgraded suites offer separate living and dining rooms with crystal chandeliers. The Presidential Suite includes a full-size kitchen. The hotel also includes a restaurant serving classic American dishes that is open for breakfast, lunch and dinner, plus a classy piano bar offering live entertainment. Other amenities include an exercise room and free transportation for local trips. There are also five meeting rooms and a ballroom. As befits its place as the grande dame of the gayborhood, the Melrose over the years has embraced the LGBT community, hosting many community events. 3015 Oak Lawn Ave. 214-521-5151

WarwickMelroseDallas.com



### ART COMPANY 2017 SEASONS

▼THE WYLY
BASS HALL▶

#### **THEATER**

#### **UPTOWN PLAYERS**

The gay-centric troupe presents the musicals It Shoulda Been You (March 24-April 9) and La Cage aux Folles (July 14-30), and then the Charles Busch camp comedy The Tribute Artist (Aug. 25-Sept. 10), starring Coy Covington. Bonus shows include its annual fundraiser, Broadway Our Way (March 2-5), and the concert version of Titanic, performed with the Turtle Creek Chorale at City Performance Hall (May 5-7). All performances (except Titanic) are at the Kalita Humphreys Theater. UptownPlayers.org.

#### DALLAS THEATER CENTER

DTC, as usual, divides performances for its season between Downtown's Wyly Theatre and Uptown's Kalita Humphreys Theater. Shows include: Gloria (through Jan. 22, Wyly), set in the cutthroat world of magazine publishing; The Christians (Jan. 26-Feb. 19, Kalita), which looks at same-sex marriage and other divisive topics: the classic about the Scopes Monkey Trial, Inherit the Wind (May 16-June 18, Kalita); Hood (June 29-Aug. 6, Wyly), a new musical about Robin Hood by the husband-and-husband team of Douglas Carter Beane and Lewis Flinn. In addition a bonus show will be Kevin Moriarty's updating of Electra, which will be performed out-of-doors in the summer.

DallasTheaterCenter.org.



#### DALLAS SUMMER MUSICALS AND PERFORMING ARTS FORT WORTH

FORT WORTH (BROADWAY AT THE BASS) The two companies again share marketing and booking this season, with plenty of overlap. DSM: The Tony Award-winning hit An American in Paris (Jan. 31-Feb. 12); the Beatlesinspired musical Let It Be (March 7-19); the return of the dragtastic musical Kinky Boots (March 28-April 9), about a staid shoe manufacturer that stays afloat making sassy couture for drag queens; Circus 1903: The Golden Age of Circus (May 23-June 4), which combines the efforts of the puppeteers who created War Horse with producers of magic for a tribute to the animal-filled circuses of the last century; the musical adaptation of *The* Bodyguard (July 18-30), starring diva Deborah Cox. The season will also feature bonus shows: Cheers Live On Stage (Jan. 6-8); Stomp (Feb. 14-19); and The Illusionists (Feb. 28-March 5). All performances take place at Fair Park Music Hall. DallasSummerMusicals.org. PAFW: The return of Annie (Jan. 17-22); An American in Paris heads from Fair Park to the Bass Hall (Feb. 14-19), followed by Let It Be (March 21-26); the charming kid-friendly musical Matilda (June 13-18); The Bodyguard (Aug. 1-6); Beautiful: The Carole King Musical (Sept. 12–17, 2017); the ongoing 20th anniversary tour of Rent (Oct. 17-22); and finally Irving Berlin's White Christmas (Nov. 14-19). Bonus shows also include the legendary Texas comedy Greater Tuna (March 29-30).

Performance Hall. **BassHall.com.** 

#### AT&T PERFORMING ARTS CENTER

All performances take place at Bass

The Broadway Series continues with the highly anticipated best play Tony winner The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time (Jan. 11–22)' Stephen Sondheim's Into the Woods (May 17–28); Something Rotten! (June 13–25); and Finding Neverland (July 11–23). Bonus shows include the transgender musical phenomenon Hedwig and the Angry Inch (Feb. 7–12). This season, mid-week evening shows now start at 7:30 p.m. All performances are at the Winspear Opera House. ATTPAC.org.



#### THEATRE 3

The mainstage season continues with Laugh (Jan 5–Jan. 29); Passing Strange (March 2–26); Susan and God (April 20–May 14); and Sondheim's A Little Night Music (June 8–July 2). The studio Theatre Too season includes the return of I Love You, You're Perfect, Now Change (through Feb. 12); The Empress, The Lady and The Pearl, Part II: Miss Billie and Miss Freddie, with Denise Lee (March 23–April 16); and The Birds (May 25–June 18). Theatre3Dallas.com.

#### WATERTOWER THEATRE

Silent Sky (Jan. 20-Feb. 12); The Gospel According to Thomas Jefferson, Charles Dickens and Count Leo Tolstoy: Discord (April 14-May 7); Native Gardens (June 2-25); and finally Sondheim's Sunday in the Park with George (July 28-Aug. 20). The 16th annual Out of the Loop Fringe Festival should be expected in the spring. All performances at the Addison Theatre Centre. WaterTowerTheatre.org.

#### STAGE WEST

Fort Worth's oldest theater company continues with *Stupid Fucking Bird* (a comic adaptation of Anton Chekhov's *The Seagull*) (Jan. 19–Feb. 19); the pitch-black comedy *Deer* (March 9–April 9); *The Aliens* (May 4–June 4); *Sex with Strangers* (June 22–July 23); and finally *The Royal Society of Antarctica* (Aug. 24–Sept. 24). **StageWest.orrg.** 

#### LYRIC STAGE

The all-musical company presents Jerry Herman's flamboyant treasure *Mame* (In Concert) (Jan. 26–29) and then two world premieres: *Quanah* starring Larry Gatlin (April 28–May 7) and *Pure Country* (June 9–18). LyricStage.org.

#### KITCHEN DOG THEATER

Kitchen Dog moved this season to the Trinity River Arts Center. The season continues with *Paper Flowers* (Feb. 17–March 11), a regional premiere; and *Trevor* (April 14–May 6). The mainstage production during the 2017 New Works Festival will be the world premiere Br'er Cotton (June 9–July 1).

KitchenDogTheater.org.

#### **OPERA, MUSIC AND DANCE**

#### DALLAS OPERA

The Dallas Opera continues its season with Puccini's Madame Butterfly (March 10–26); Britten's *The Turn of the Screw* (March 17–25); and finally Bellini's *Norma* (April 21–May 7). All performed at the Winspear Opera House.

DallasOpera.org.

#### FORT WORTH OPERA

North Texas' oldest opera company continues with its festival format, with Bizet's Carmen, the mariachi opera *Cruzar la Cara de la Luna* and *Voir Dire*. The festival runs April 23–May 7. **FWOpera.org**.

#### TURTLE CREEK CHORALE

The men's chorus' 2016–17 season, called Contrasts, features two more mainstage shows: Topsy Turvy: Songs You Thought You Knew (March 23–25) and In Your Dreams (June 2–4). The also team with Uptown Players for a concert staging of Titanic (May 5–7). All performances take place at City Performance Hall.

TurtleCreekChorale.com.

#### TEXAS BALLET THEATER

The Fort Worth-based company mounts its ballets in Dallas and Fort Worth, with Rooster & Smith & Scher (March 3–5, Bass Hall only); and Alice in Wonderland (May 19–21 at Bass Hall; June 2–4 at the Winspear Opera House).

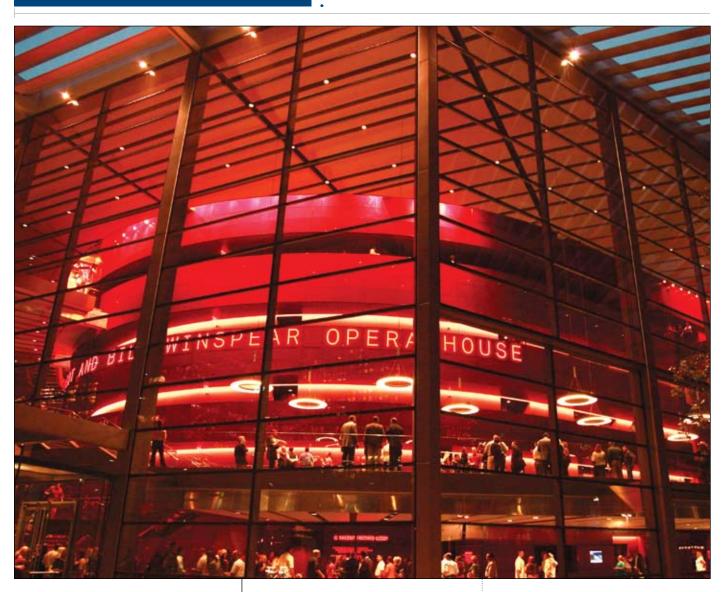
TexasBalletTheater.org.

#### TITAS

The importer of the world's best dancer performs at the Winspear Opera House and the City Performance Hall. Pilobolus (Jan 13–14, at CPH); Bridgman | Packer Dance (Jan. 27–28, at CPH); Doug Varone and Dancers (Feb. 18, at Winspear); Diavolo (March 10–11, at CPH); Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater (March 31–April 1, at Winspear); Che Malambo (April 14-15 at CPH); Ballet BC (June 10, at Winspear). The season also includes TITAS' annual Command Performance Gala (May 13). ATTPAC.org.

## ARTS AND CULTURE

THE WINSPEAR



#### **THEATER & OPERA**

#### UPTOWN PLAYERS

Performs at Kalita Humphreys Theater 3636 Turtle Creek Blvd. and Dallas City Performance Hall 2520 Flora St. 214-219-2718

#### UptownPlayers.com

Since its founding in 2001,
Uptown Players has become one of
the most respected companies in the
entire North Texas theater community,
winning numerous awards from critics
and peers for its edgy, gay-themed
productions. From ambitious musicals to
intense dramas to campy comedies to
original adaptations, Uptown Players has
taken queer sensibilities to mainstream
audiences with astonishing success.

### DALLAS THEATER CENTER

Wyly Theatre 2400 Flora St. 214-522-8499

#### DallasTheaterCenter.org

The Metroplex's most established regional theater moved in 2009 from the Kalita Humphreys Theatre in Oak Lawn to the Downtown Arts District and its new home at the Wyly Theatre. But that doesn't mean it will lose touch with its queer roots, thanks to gay artistic director, Kevin Moriarty.

#### DALLAS SUMMER MUSICALS

Music Hall at Fair Park 909 First Ave. 972-691-7200

#### DallasSummerMusicals.com

A Dallas institution since the 1940s, the Dallas Summer Musicals specializes in importing touring productions of hit Broadway shows.

#### THEATRE 3

2800 Routh St. 214-871-3300

#### Theatre3Dallas.com

Since the 1960s, Theatre 3 has been one of the area's most enduring showcases for theater, with a season lasting virtually year-round.

#### KITCHEN DOG THEATER

The Green Zone 161 Riveredge Dr. 214-953-1773

#### KitchenDogTheater.org

Established by iconoclastic theater alums from Southern Methodist University,

Kitchen Dog is widely known for its quirky, edgy, challenging alternative theater aimed at a diverse, urban and urbane audience.

#### CONTEMPORARY THEATRE OF DALLAS

Greenville Center for the Arts 5601 Sears St. 214-828-0094

#### ContemporaryTheatreofDallas.com

Located in a renovated church in the Lower Greenville area, CTD produces shows about modern life and relationships, from musicals to dramas to comedies with some of the best actors, directors and designers in North Texas.

#### WATERTOWER THEATRE

Addison Theatre Centre.org 15650 Addison Road, Addison 972-450-6232

#### WaterTowerTheatre.com

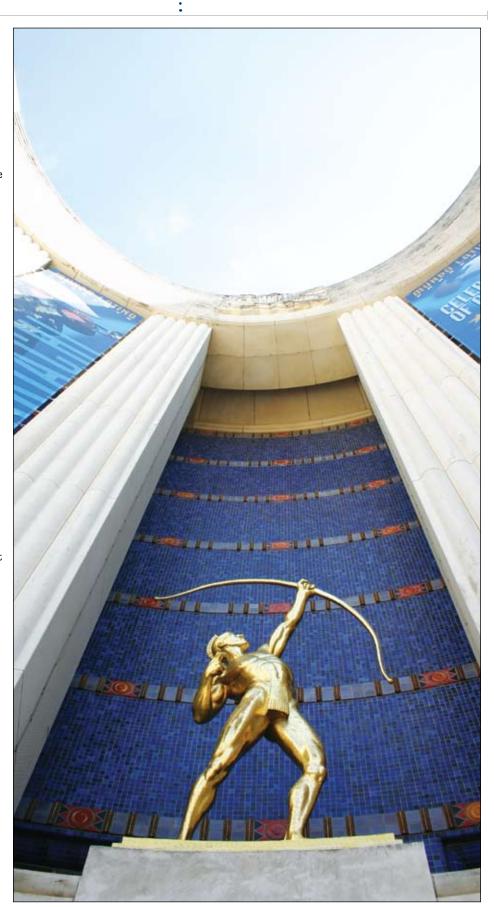
Far North Dallas' most successful troupe, the gay-run WaterTower Theatre has made Addison a destination for contemporary theater. Its Out of the Loop Fringe Festival is an annual highlight of the theater season.

#### DALLAS CHILDREN'S THEATER

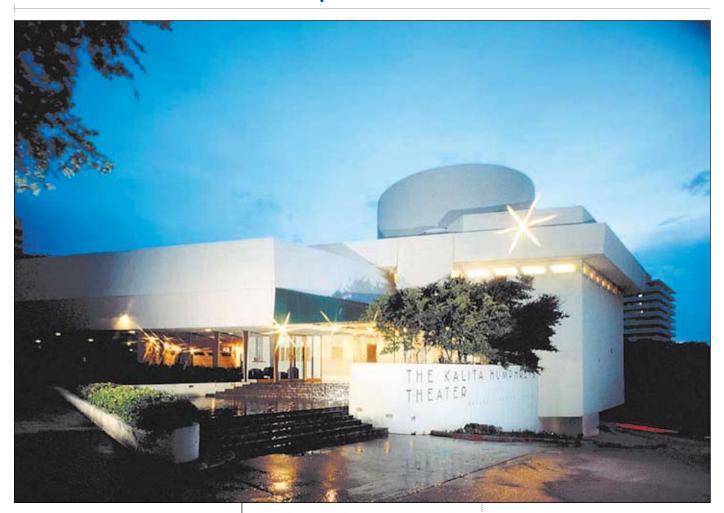
Rosewood Center for Family Arts 5938 Skillman St. 214-740-0051

#### DCT.org

One of the most acclaimed companies in the nation devoted to theater targeted at children, the DCT provides inclusive programming about issues, such as tolerance, that are also entertaining for adults.



KALITA THEATERTURTLE CREEK CHROLE •



#### CASA MANANA

3101 W. Lancaster Ave. Fort Worth 817-332-2272

#### CasaManana.org

Known as the "House of Tomorrow,"
Casa Manana was the brainchild of
Amon G. Carter for the Texas centennial
celebration, and it continues to mount
high quality productions under its
distinctive golf-ball shaped dome and in
other venues, such as Bass Hall.

#### DALLAS OPERA

Winspear Opera House 2403 Flora St. 214-443-1000

#### DallasOpera.org

The Dallas Opera, which has performed since 1957, moved to the Arts District in 2009 to the Winspear Opera House.

#### FORT WORTH OPERA

Bass Performance Hall 525 Commerce St., Fort Worth 817-731-0833

#### FWOpera.org

Since staging La Traviata more than 60 years ago — making it the oldest continuously operational opera company in Texas — the Fort Worth Opera has been a cultural leader in Cowtown, inaugurating a festival-style series in 2007. The FWO is led by openly gay general director Darren Woods.

#### **FILM & VIDEO FESTIVALS**

#### Q CINEMA

#### Qcinema.org

Fort Worth's Gay & Lesbian International Film Festival

Fort Worth led the way in North Texas with the first film festival dedicated to LGBT movies. In addition to its annual week of movies each fall, Q Cinema sponsors monthly screenings of hard-to-find gay-themed films.

#### USA FILM FESTIVAL

#### UsaFilmFestival.com

The USA Film Festival each spsring is a forum for new and classic films, usually featuring big Hollywood premieres and attracting major players in the international film industry. The organization holds other events and programs throughout the year.

### DALLAS INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL

#### DallasFilm.org

Previously affiliated with the American Film Institute, the Dallas International Film Festival is a newcomer that has brought in substantial premieres (including *The Hurt Locker*) and filmmakers during its 11-day festival each spring.

#### DALLAS VIDEO FESTIVAL

#### Videofest.org

The largest festival of its kind in the U.S., Dallas' Video Festival, held each fall, celebrates the art of the moving image, on film, tape, pioneering high-definition and experimental video photography. The festival usually includes a LGBT series.

#### MUSIC, DANCE & BALLET

#### TURTLE CREEK CHORALE

City Performance Hall 252 Flora St. 214-526-3214

#### TurtleCreek.org

One of the premier men's choruses in the country, the Turtle Creek Chorale has brought its irreverent, engaging but always harmonious musical performances to audiences — local, national and international. Its 200-plus members even collectively hold a Guinness Book of World Records entry for longest choral concert. The Chorale also has several related choruses, including Encore! The music director is Sean Baugh.

#### THE WOMEN'S CHORUS OF DALLAS

Sammons Center 3630 Harry Hines Blvd. 214-520-7828

#### TheWomensChorusofDallas.com

This chorus, made up totally of women (many members of the LGBT community), has released 16 recordings — seven in collaboration with Turtle Creek and Chorale and nine solo — and performs several concerts throughout the year. Melinda Imthurn is the artistic director.

#### RESOUNDING HARMONY

#### ResoundingHarmony.com.

Former Turtle Creek Chorale artistic director Dr. Timothy Seelig created Resounding Harmony in the fall of 2008 with the intent of performing several benefit concerts throughout the year. The 100-voice community chorus led by Artistic Director Russ Reiger with accompanist Antoine Spencer, is DFW's only philanthropic chorus.

#### DALLAS BLACK DANCE THEATER

2700 Ann Williams Way 214-871-2376

#### dbdt.com

A nationally recognized professional company with a mission to create and produce contemporary modern dances at the highest level of artistic excellence.

#### DALLAS SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Morton H. Meyerson Symphony Center 2301 Flora St. 214-692-0203

#### DallasSymphony.com

Tracing its roots back as far as 1900, the Dallas Symphony has grown in the past 60 years from an ensemble to a fully-professional orchestra of world-class reputation.

#### FORT WORTH SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Bass Performance Hall 525 Commerce St. Fort Worth 817-665-6000

#### FWSO.org

Providing a full slate of classical music and pop concerts each season to Tarrant County — and the entire region — the Fort Worth Symphony is one of the most successful orchestras of its size in the U.S.



Bass Performance Hall 525 Commerce St., Fort Worth and the Winspear Opera House 2403 Flora St., Dallas 817-763-0207 214-369-5200

#### TexasBalletTheater.org

The Texas Ballet Theater, the region's pre-eminent classical dance company, performs full seasons in both Dallas and Fort Worth, under the stewardship of internationally renowned choreographer Sir Ben Stevenson.

#### TITAS

Winspear Opera House 2403 Flora St. 214-880-0202

#### TITAS.org

Dedicated to bringing live dance and musical performances to North Texas, TITAS has presented numerous groundbreaking works. Charles Santos, who is gay, is the executive director.

#### **COMEDY**

#### ADDISON IMPROV

4980 Belt Line Road, Suite 250, Addison 972-404-8501

#### Improv.com

Part of the chain famed Improv comedy clubs.

#### BACKDOOR COMEDY

At the Doubletree Hotel, 8250 N. Central Expressway 214-328-4444

#### BackdoorComedy.com

One of the premier showcases of up-andcoming comics, Backdoor Comedy has brought against-the-wall humor to North Texas for years, with two shows Fridays and Saturdays and open mic night on Thursdays.

### POCKET SANDWICH THEATRE

5400 E. Mockingbird Lane, Suite 119 214-821-1860

#### PocketSandwich.com.

One of the oldest theaters in Dallas serves food and drink while staging "popcorn-tosser" comedy spoofs and late-night comedy shows.



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THE MAJESTIC THEATRE



#### AMERICAN AIRLINES CENTER

2500 Victory Ave. Dallas, 75219 Ticketmaster 214-373-8000 Event Hotline 214-665-4200 Box Office 214-665-4797

AmericanAirlinesCenter.com

#### AT&T STADIUM

925 N. Collins St. Arlington, 76011 817-892-4400

DallasCowboys.com

### BASS PERFORMANCE HALL

525 Commerce St., Fort Worth, 76102 Information Hotline 817-212-4325 Toll Free Number 877-212-4280 BassHall.com

#### COTTON BOWL AT FAIR PARK

1300 Robert B. Cullum Blvd. Dallas, 75210

### KAY BAILEY HUTCHINSON CONVENION CENTER

650 S. Griffin St. Dallas, 75202 214-939-2750

DallasConventionCenter.com

DEE AND CHARLES WYLY

THEATRE 2400 Flora St. Dallas, 75201

attpac.org

214-880-0202

#### EISEMANN CENTER

2351 Performance Drive, Richardson, 75082. 972-744-4650 **EisemannCenter.com** 

### FORT WORTH CONVENTION CENTER

1111 Houston St., Fort Worth, 76102 817-392-6338

#### MAJESTIC THEATRE

1925 Elm St.
Dallas, 75201
214-880-0137
LiveattheMajestic.com

#### THE MORTON H. MEYER-SON SYMPHONY CENTER

2301 Flora St. Dallas, 75201 214-670-3600

MeyersonSymphonyCenter.com

#### MUSIC HALL AT FAIR PARK

909 1st Ave. Dallas, 75210 214-565-1116

DallasSummerMusicals.org

#### RANGERS BALLPARK IN ARLINGTON

1000 Performance Place Arlington, 76011 Ticket Office 817-273-5100 **Texas.Rangers.MLB.com** 

#### GEXA ENERGY PAVILION AT FAIR PARK

1818 First Ave. Dallas, 75210 214-421-1111

DallasPavillion.org

#### VERIZON THEATRE AT GRAND PRAIRIE

1001 NextStage Drive Grand Prairie, 75050. General Information & Box Office 972-854-5050 VerizonTheatre.com

#### MARGOT AND BILL WINSPEAR OPERA HOUSE

2403 Flora St. Dallas, 75201 214-880-0202 **ATTPAC.org** 

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#### THE DALLAS MAVERICKS

Dallas' professional basketball team. owned by Mark Cuban, plays in the Southwest Division of the Western Conference of the National Basketball Association. Since their inaugural 1980-81 season, the Mavericks have won three division titles (1987, 2007, 2010), two conference championships (2006, 2011), and one NBA Championship (2011). Home games are played at American Airlines Center, 2500 Victory Ave. For more information and tickets, visit DallasMavericks.com

#### THE DALLAS COWBOYS

North Texas' professional football team play in the Eastern Division of the National Football Conference in the National Football League. They are five-time Super Bowl champions and were named the highest valued sports franchise by Forbes Magazine in 2009. Home games are played at AT&T Stadium, 900 E. Randol Mill Road, Arlington. For more information and tickets, visit DallasCowbovs.com

#### THE TEXAS RANGERS

North Texas' professional baseball play in the Western Division of the American League of Major League Baseball. They have made seven appearances in the MLB postseason, winning division championships in 1996, 1998, 1999, 2010, 2011 and 2015. Texas won the American League pennant in 2010 and 2011. Home games are played at Globe Life Park in Arlington, 1000 Ballpark Way, Arlington. For more information and tickets, visit TexasRangers.com.

#### THE DALLAS STARS

The Dallas Stars have been the city's professional hockey team since moving here in 1993 from Minnesota. The Stars play in the Pacific Division of the Western Conference of the National Hockey League. The Stars have won seven division titles in Dallas, two President's Trophies as the top regular season team in the NHL, the Western Conference championship twice, and the Stanley Cup in 1998-99. Home games are played at American Airlines Center, 2500 Victory Ave. For more information, visit DallasStars.com.

#### FC DALLAS

North Texas' professional soccer team. Football Club Dallas, was founded in 1996 and is based in Frisco. The team plays in the Western Conference in Major League Soccer and was previously known as the Dallas Burn. In 2006 and 2015, they finished first in the Western Conference. Home games are played at Toyota Stadium, 9200 World Cup Way, Frisco. For more information and tickets, visit FCDallas.com.

#### DALLAS WINGS

Dallas professional WNBA women's basketball team moved to Arlington from Tulsa in 2016 and play in the Western Conference. Home games are played in College Park Center at UT Arlington, 601 Center St., Arlington. For more information, visit Wings.WNBA.com.

#### MESQUITE CHAMPIONSHIP RODEO

The Mesquite Championship is the area's permanent professional rodeo and is held in Mesquite. The rodeo season runs April through September. The rodeo is held at Resistol Arena, 1818 Rodeo Drive, Mesquite. For more information, visit MesquiteProRodeo.com.

#### TEXAS MOTOR **SPEEDWAY**

Texas Motor Speedway measures 1.5 miles in an oval design with an asphalt surface. The speedway is host to the NASCAR Sprint Cup Series, NASCAR Nationwide Series, NASCAR Camping World Truck Series and the IZOD IndyCar Series. Texas Motor Speedway is at 3545 Lone Star Circle, Fort Worth. For more information, visit

TexasMotorSpeedway.com.

#### LONE STAR PARK

Lone Star Park is the horseracing track of North Texas. Every Memorial Day, the park hosts Lone Star Million Day, a thoroughbred meeting with six stakes races and the Fall Meeting of Champions for American Quarter Horses September through November at 1000 Lone Star Parkway, Grand Prairie. For more information, visit LoneStarPark.com.



## SHOPPING

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GALLERIA



#### THE SHOPS AT PARK LANE

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#### NORTHPARK CENTER

8687 N. Central Expressway Dallas, 75225 214-363-7441

NorthParkCenter.com

#### ALLEN PREMIUM OUTLETS

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THE BISHOP ARTS DISTRICT

P.O. Box 3733 Dallas, 75208

BishopArtsDistrict.com

### BRAD OLDHAM INTERNATIONAL

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Shopping in the heart of the Gayborhood includes:

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#### GIFTED

4001 Cedar Springs Road, Ste. C Dallas, 75219 214-347-8165

#### OUTLINES

3906 Cedar Springs Road Dallas, 75219 214-528-1955

#### **SKIVVIES**

4001 Cedar Springs Road Dallas, 75219 214-559-4955

SkivviesMensUnderwear.com

#### **TAPELENDERS**

3926 Cedar Springs Road Dallas, 75219 214-528-6344 TheStripOnCedarSprings.com

#### **Dallas Farmers Market**

1010 South Pearl St. Dallas, 75201 214-664-9110

DallasFarmersMarket.org

### Dallas Design District Oak Lawn Ave.

Just northeast of Downtown Dallas, the Design District features interior design showrooms, art galleries, apparel retailers and a wide variety of antique, vintage and thrift shops.

DallasDesignDistrict.com

#### JONES WALKER HOME

1531 Dragon St.
Dallas, 75207
469-916-5500

#### joneswalkerhome.com

3301 Oak Lawn Ave. Dallas, 75219 jdouglasdesign.com

J. DOUGLAS DESIGN

#### NUVO

3311 Oak Lawn Dallas, 75219 214-522-6886

NuvoDallas.com

#### Fort Worth Stockyards

Fincher's White Front Western Wear, Maverick Fine Western Wear, M.L. Leddy's, and more than 20 shops at Stockyard Station.

FortWorthStockyards.org

#### GALLERIA DALLAS

13350 Dallas Pkwy., Ste. 3080 Dallas, 75240 972-702-7100 GalleriaDallas.com

#### **Grand Prairie Premium Outlets**

2950 W. I-20, Ste. 480 Grand Prairie, 75052 972-602-8383

PremiumOutlets.com/mall/ grand-prairie

#### **ALTERNATIVES**

1720 W. Mockingbird Lane Dallas, 75001 214-630-7071 sexysite.com

#### GRAPEVINE MILLS

3000 Grapevine Mills Parkway Grapevine, 76051 972-724-4910

Simon.com/mall/grapevine-mills

#### HIGHLAND PARK VILLAGE

47 Highland Park Village, Ste. 208, Dallas, 75205 214-272-4876

HPVillage.com

#### HULEN MALL

4800 S. Hulen St. Fort Worth, 76132-1419 817-294-1200 HulenMall.com

### IKEA

7171 IKEA Drive Frisco, 75034 888-888-4532

lkea.com/us/en/store/frisco

#### JUSTIN BOOT OUTLET STORE

717 W Vickery Blvd. Fort Worth, 76104 817-885-8089 JustinBoots.com

#### LEATHER MASTERS

3000 Main St. Dallas, 75226 214-528-3865

#### MOCKINGBIRD STATION

5307 E Mockingbird Lane Dallas, 75206 214-891-6860 MockingbirdStation.com

#### NEBRASKA FURNITURE MART OF TEXAS

5600 Nebraska Furniture Mart Drive The Colony, 75056 972-668-3000

NFM.com

#### **NEIMAN MARCUS**

1618 Main St. Dallas, 75201 214-741-6911

NeimanMarcus.com

#### PETERS BROTHERS HATS

909 Houston St. Fort Worth, (817) 335-1715

facebook.com/PetersBrothersHats

#### RIDGMAR MALL

1888 Green Oaks Road Fort Worth, 76116-1707 817-731-0856

Ridgmar.com

#### THE SHOPS AT CRESCENT COURT

400 Crescent Ct. Dallas, 75201 214-880-4500

#### Sundance Square

35-block shopping and entertainment district in Downtown Fort Worth. Shops include LOFT, Coyote Urban Boutique, White House Black Market, Papagallo Classiques, Earth Bones, Retro Cowboy, Dallas Cowboys Pro Shop, Texas Rangers, Team Shop and more.

SundanceSquare.com

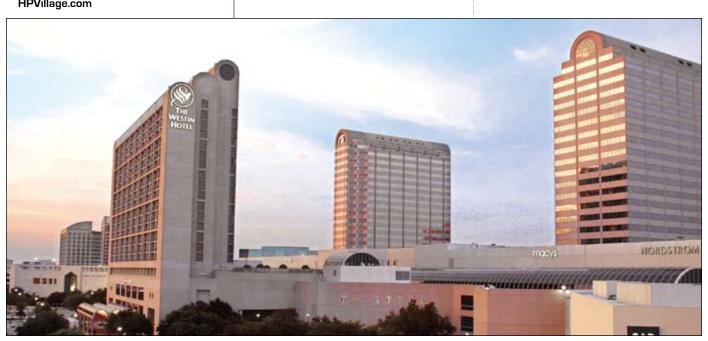
#### **Traders Village Ltd**

2602 Mayfield Road Grand Prairie, 75052 972-647-2331 TradersVillage.com

#### West Village

3699 McKinney Ave. Dallas, 75204 214-219-1144

WestVillageDallas.com



## MAJOR LGBT COMMUNITY EVENTS

ALAN ROSS PRIDE PARADE 2016 TOAST TO LIFE EVENT >



#### GAY BINGO

Third Saturday of every month (except December). The ping-pong balls fly as fast as the wit at the Rose Room inside the gay club Station 4 for this monthly fundraiser for Resource Center Dallas. Every month features a different theme. myresourcecenter.org

#### DIFFA/DALLAS

Throughout the year.
The Design Industries Foundation
Fighting AIDS is one of the oldest
and most vigorous awareness and
fundraising organizations in the United
States, and the Dallas chapter is among
the liveliest. Various parties and benefits
are held throughout the year, with a gala
often set for the spring. **DIFFA.org** 

#### **SPRING**

#### TEXAS GAY RODEO ASSOCIATION

The Texas Gay Rodeo Association, going into its 33 year and with several local chapters around the state, hosts several events every year, sometimes in conjunction with the International Gay Rodeo Association. One of its largest events each year is the Texas Tradition

Rodeo, held at Fair Park Coliesum in Dallas in 2015. One of TGRA's primary missions is to raise funds for community organizations, with TGRA royalty contestants holding events throughout the year. TGRA rodeos are also known for their "camp" events, including goat dressing and the Wild Drag Race.

#### TGRA.org

#### TEXAS BEAR ROUND UP

Contrary to what mainstream culture might have people think, gay men come in all shapes and sizes — including the big, hairy kind, as bears well know. Every March, the Dallas Bears host one of the largest such events nationwide, the Texas Bear Round Up. Upwards of 800 men come to town for social events (pool and toga parties), entertainment (LGBT comedians and musicians), plus field trips and fellowship. The 2016 TBRU will be March 10-13. **TBRU.org** 

#### TOAST TO LIFE

The 18th annual Toast to Life, "Mad Hatter's Ball," will be held March 5, 2016 at The Empire Room. The event features fine food and drink and numerous silent auction items and raises money for Resource Center.

myresourcecenter.org

#### MISS GAY USOFA

May. For more than 20 years, this pageant has featured the best in female impersonation, with top contenders nationwide headed for the finals in Dallas.

#### USofA.org

#### **SUMMER**

#### EVENING OF HOPE

May. AIDS Outreach Center in Fort Worth holds its signature gala with national/local celebrities, a keynote speaker and entertainment. The elegant evening includes a sit-down dinner, silent auction and VIP reception. This year's event is May 21. AOC.org

#### VOICE OF PRIDE

Summer. Every year, the Dallas Tavern Guild sponsors the Voice of Pride competition. Various competitions take place at clubs throughout the summer, culminating in a final round in August. The top vote-getters then perform at the Festival in the Park in September.

DallasTavernGuild.org



#### **AUTUMN**

#### ALAN ROSS TEXAS FREEDOM PARADE

Each year, to avoid the Texas summer heat, Dallas celebrates Pride in September. The parade down Cedar Springs is held on the third Sunday of the month, and beginning this year, Dallas Pride expands to two days, with the Festival in the Park held the day before the parade in Reverchon Park. this year, the Festival will be September 16 and Parade is September 17.

#### DallasPride.org

#### DALLAS BLACK PRIDE/ DALLAS SOUTHERN PRIDE

September/October. One of the top five Black Pride events in the country this extended weekend is a series of events, including workshops, parties and picnics, sponsored by African-American LGBT organizations and open to all of the gay community. DallasSouthernPride.com

#### BEYOND VANILLA

September/October. Not all tastes run toward vanilla, which is where this group gets its name. An annual conference for those with a taste for a little kink in their lives, Beyond Vanilla is a fetish get-together featuring guest speakers, workshops, parties and other BDSM-centric events. BeyondVanilla.org

#### LIFEWALK

October. AIDS Arms is one of North Texas' most active AIDS-based charities, holding many events throughout the year, leading up to LifeWalk, its biggest fundraiser, in the fall. The 5K walk includes a run, starting in Lee Park and winding through the Uptown area before ending up back at Lee Park. Since starting in 1991, LifeWalk, scheduled for the first Sunday in October, has raised and distributed more than \$6 million for area HIV/AIDS charities and individuals. LifeWalk.org

#### HOPE WALK

Beginning 2015, AIDS Outreach Center's family- and pet-friendly 5K walk has been moved from the spring to the fall, and rebranded as Hope Walk. It is AIDS Outreach Center's largest fundraising event each year and includes live entertainment, vendor booths and a children's area. Proceeds go to support the programs and services provided by AIDS Outreach Center. **AOC.org** 

#### NATIONAL COMING OUT DAY

October. The Dallas-Fort Worth Chapter of the Human Rights Campaign's Coming Out Project started in 1993. Although the NCOD-DFW operates year-round with education and support, the actual "day" — Oct. 11 — is the focus. In 2016 NCOD will mark its 29th anniversary.

#### ${\bf Comeout.org.}$

#### THE 5 FACTOR

October. This event finds five individuals to watch who have worked on behalf of the gay community in categories, such as fashion, journalism, media and cuisine, as well as an icon award for an established hero of the community. It benefits Resource Center.

#### myresourcecenter.org

#### BLACK TIE DINNER

November. Although the Human Rights Campaign's Black Die Dinner takes place each fall, usually in November. Plan to get your tickets by summer — it's always a sell-out. The fundraiser typically features silent and live auctions and presentations from A-list celebrities. This years dinner is November 11.

#### BlackTieDinner.org

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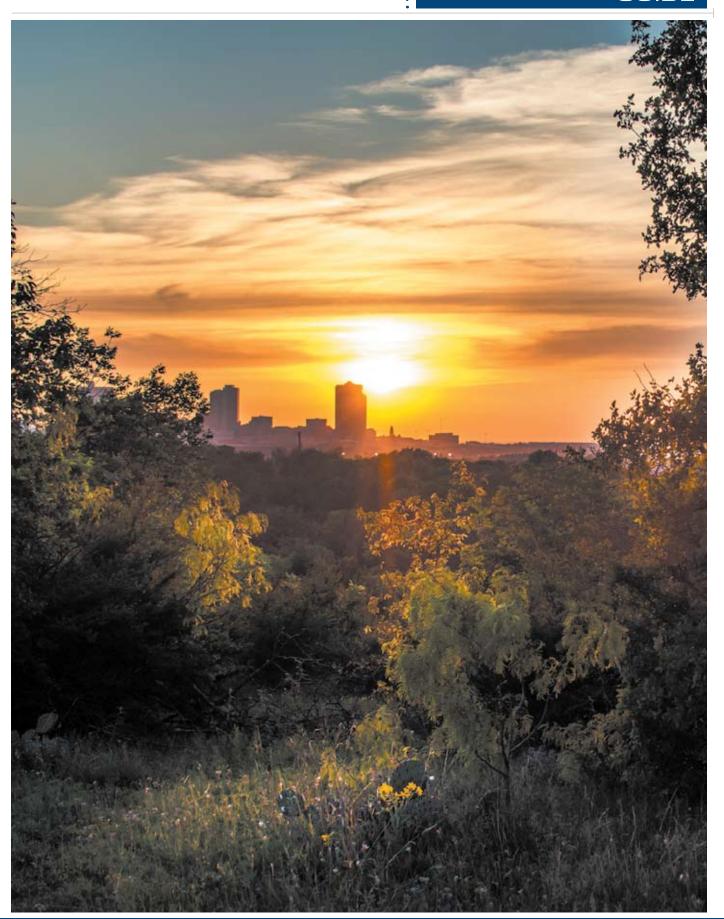


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### RELOCATION GUIDE



### NEIGHBORHOOD BIOGRAPHIES

#### Get it while it's hot!

As most people have heard, read, or know from firsthand experience, the Dallas-area real estate market has been, by any definition, "hot" for the past couple of years. Homes have often sold their first day on the market —

or at least within a few days. Prices have steadily increased in most local areas, and homes have frequently sold for more than the asking price after sellers received multiple offers right after listing their property for sale. Things have slowed down a bit in the last couple of months, but our market is still very healthy and strong.

It is now, and should be for the foreseeable future, a great time to buy or sell a home in Dallas. A plus for sellers is that prices have steadily increased, and although there are signs our market is cooling down just a bit, prices are not going down. Additionally, for sellers who will be buying another home, it is a benefit to do so while interest rates are as low as they are.

A big plus for buyers is that mortgage interest rates are low, as has been the case for what feels like a long time. This year, rates reached lows we haven't seen since 2013. Since January, average rates for 30-year mortgages have been below 4 percent, and they've been at or near 3.5 percent since June.Rates for 15-year loans are always lower than those for longer terms. No one can predict with certainty what will happen with interest rates, any more than they can predict what will happen with the stock market. But history tells us that interest rates won't stay this low forever.

Just as the stock market goes through periods of gains and losses, interest rates go up and down. There is expectation that rates may start going up soon, and that they could continue going up for a long time. Even if interest rates reach 5 percent, that is still low by historical standards. But buyers would definitely feel the difference. Buyers paying \$350,000 for a home with a 5 percent interest rate would have monthly mortgage payments about \$300 higher than at current interest rates. In the same scenario with a \$600,000 price, buyers would pay about \$500 more per month.

#### Location! Location! Location!

The broad and varied Dallas real estate landscape offers many different types of neighborhoods in all price ranges. And we are way past the days when LGBT Dallasites lived predominantly in Oak Lawn; we truly live in all parts of Dallas and its surrounding cities.

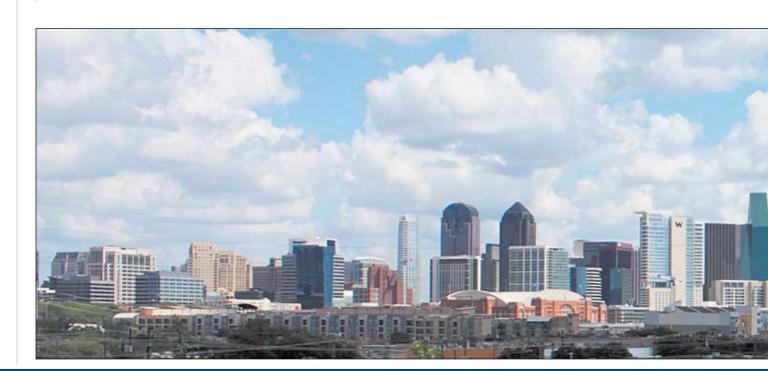
I have close gay or lesbian friends who live in all of the areas described below. Buyers are wise to evaluate what they see as the plusses and minuses for living in a particular area or neighborhood. Some factors need to be weighted heavily up front to determine which areas are most ideal for meeting buyers' wants and needs. Those who have children and want their kids to be in public schools must decide which school district they want to be in, and then narrow it down to the neighborhoods within that district that they like.

Dallas ISD has some great elementary schools and stellar magnet schools. But many parents want their kids in a district other than Dallas ISD. Plano School district is stellar, and Plano West High School was recently named by Newsweek magazine as the 22nd-best high school in the U.S. — the highest ranking received by any Texas school.

Richardson schools are well-respected and consistently maintain good ratings. And there are various wonderful suburban school districts farther away from Dallas city limits – mostly to the north.

Here are some of great residential area our city has to offer:

**By Steve Atkinson** Realtor, Dave Perry-Miller



#### OAK LAWN, UPTOWN, TURTLE CREEK

Historically thought of as the "gay" part of town. Oak Lawn and the adjacent Uptown and Turtle Creek areas offer buyers many options, mostly condominiums and townhouses, most of which have been built in the past 10 years after older, less-expensive units were torn down. These areas offer residents close proximity to wonderful restaurants, shopping, Downtown, the Arts District, Katy Trail and nightlife spots. Prices range from smaller condos in older buildings that can be bought for under \$200,000 to newly-constructed residences along Turtle Creek that are priced well above \$1,000,000.

#### **NORTH OAK CLIFF**

Oak Cliff is home to many LGBT folks. "Cliff Dwellers," as they are sometimes called, absolutely love their part of the city, and many swear they'd never live elsewhere. Homes in Oak Cliff encompass all architectural styles, and most were built prior to the 1960s, with some as old as the early 1900s. The gorgeous, pricey, and well-known adjacent neighborhoods of Kessler Park and Stevens Park are located just southwest of downtown Dallas, and can be entered from Sylvan Avenue off of I-30. Many homes in this part of Oak Cliff sell for above \$500,000, and some prices are above \$1,000,000. But there are plenty of wonderful Oak Cliff neighborhoods with homes in lower price ranges. One example is Beckley Club, which still could be considered an up-and-coming neighborhood and where more and more of the homes are being nicely redone but can still be purchased for well under \$300,000.

#### **EAST DALLAS**

Generally, East Dallas is considered to be the area east of Central Expressway. This is a large area with many distinctive neighborhoods that include homes in most all price ranges. Many of the neighborhoods are convenient to White Rock Lake, a true gem in our city. Lakewood is adjacent to and west of White Rock Lake and a short drive from the downtown area. It includes many neighborhoods with beautiful streets and homes of various architectural styles, ranging from 1920s and 1930s mansions mostly in the Tudor, Mediterranean and Hollywood styles to, quaint bungalows. The Lakewood Shopping Center has a variety of restaurants and shops, and Lakewood Elementary is highly-acclaimed. Old East Dallas includes the Munger Place and Swiss Avenue Historical Districts, and other neighborhoods with homes dating as far back as the earliest 1900s.

The M-Streets, an area adjacent to Central Expressway, includes charming homes ranging in size from small bungalows and cottages to much larger, more-recently-constructed homes that have been built on tear-down lots.

#### LAKE HIGHLANDS

Lake Highlands is located in northeast Dallas, north of White Rock Lake and south of 635 Freeway. Although it is inside the Dallas city limits, most of this area is in the well-respected Richardson School District. There are many great neighborhoods with all types of architectural styles in the broad Lake Highlands area, with most homes ranging in price from \$300,000 to \$800,000.

### HIGHLAND PARK & UNIVERSITY PARK

Referred to as The Park Cities, Highland Park and University Park are actually small towns surrounded by central Dallas. As most people know, the prices are steep here, and the schools are great. There are gorgeous, multi-million dollar mansions here, but even a quite small older home that in need of updating can cost more than \$500.000.

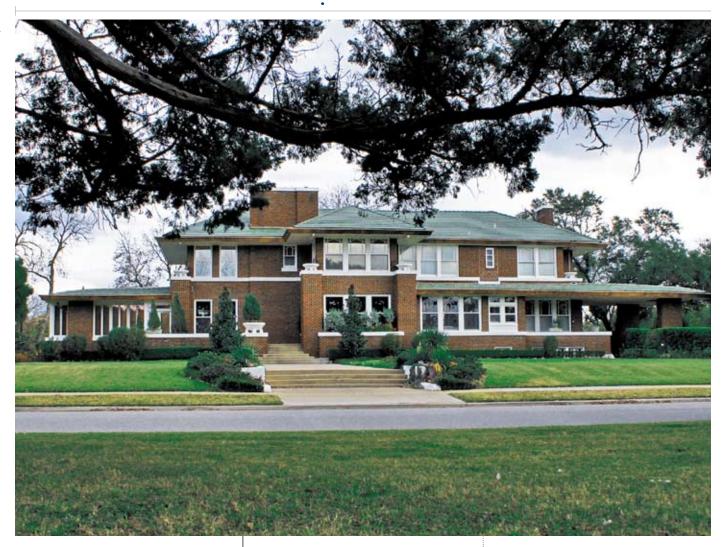
### NORTH DALLAS AND FAR NORTH DALLAS

North Dallas includes many fantastic neighborhoods, like tony Preston Hollow, which has mostly traditional and ranch style older homes mixed with a good number of newer homes built on lots where smaller original smaller homes were torn down. Mansions dominate parts of Preston Hollow, in areas with some of the priciest real estate in the city — such as Strait Lane, the street where Ross Perot lives.

But other Preston Hollow neighborhoods are not so exorbitant and have homes that can be purchased for about \$400,000 and up, although it is harder and harder to buy homes in this area at that price point. The boundaries of Preston Hollow vary depending on



▼ Swiss Avenue



whom you ask, and have been a point of disagreement for years. According to one local magazine those boundaries are "Broadly, north of Northwest Highway, south of Forest Lane, west of Central Expressway, and east of Midway Road. Others give tighter boundaries: Northwest Highway to Royal Lane, Midway Road to Hillcrest Road. "Old Preston Hollow is considered Northwest Highway to Walnut Hill, Midway to Preston."

West and north of Preston Hollow, there are great neighborhoods where prices range from the \$300,000s, to the millions. Most homes in this area are traditional or ranch style, but a sizeable number of mid-century modern homes are scattered throughout neighborhoods such as Midway Hollow, which is often referred to as the Disney Streets, because of the street names.

Far North Dallas (north of 635) includes neighborhoods serviced by Richardson and Plano School Districts. Those unfamiliar with this area often mistakenly think it is a sea of large tract homes lacking character and huge McMansions. But in fact there are many beautiful neighborhoods with winding, heavily-treed streets where the homes are gorgeous and not all cookie-cutter. My husband and I live in one of those neighborhoods, and like all our neighbors (including the gay ones), we love it. Homes in this large area are generally priced in the range of \$400,000 to a million dollars or above.

If you are thinking about buying or selling contact me or your real estate agent. You need an experienced Realtor working for you and helping you navigate the process. It is a fantastic time to sell or to buy in one of the many incredible neighborhoods in our remarkable city.

#### THE SUBURBS

#### RICHARDSON/GARLAND

These towns just north and east of Dallas are the definition of bedroom communities — small, quaint and pleasant. But most of the activities around the Metroplex are located outside their city limits.

### ADDISON/FARMERS BRANCH/CARROLLTON

These small independent cities lie just north of LBJ Freeway (aka 635), roughly between the Dallas North Tollway and I-35. They tend to be conservative, but are convenient to the DFW Airport and the Galleria shopping center. Addison in particular has embraced aspects of the LGBT community: its gay-run WaterTower Theatre frequently produces queer-themed plays and musicals.

#### FRISCO

As more and more people filter into the Metroplex, this once-distant suburb has grown in popularity — and with the opening of the only IKEA in North Texas, becomes a frequent day trip destination for gay Dallasites. It's also the site of the Dr. Pepper Ballpark, home of the Frisco RoughRiders minor league baseball team and the "lazy river" water feature that allows fans to float while cheering on their team.

FC Dallas, the professional soccer team, also calls Frisco home, playing their games there in Toyota Stadium.

#### PLANO

One of the fastest-growing cities in the nation. Plano is often considered one of the more conservative suburbs of Dallas. But the hub of Collin County isn't quite a bastion of homophobia, with gay-friendly organizations like Gay and Lesbian Alliance of North Texas and Stonewall Democrats, as well as professionalquality performing arts at the Collin County Community College and nearby Richardson's Eisemann Center for the Performing Arts. And in 2015, the Plano City Council adopted a nondiscrimination ordinance offering protections for LGBT people, despite vehement opposition by some right-wing forces, led primarily by out-of-towners.

MID-CITIES:
ARLINGTON,
GRAND PRAIRIE,
IRVING, HURST,
EULESS, BEDFORD

The Mid-Cities is a general term used to describe those independently-incorporated areas within Dallas and Tarrant counties that lie between the cities of Dallas and Fort Worth.

Each has its own identity and appeal. Arlington, the largest among them, is home to two of the most iconic professional sports teams around: The Dallas Cowboys NFL team, which plays at AT&T Stadium in Arlington, and the Texas Rangers of Major League Baseball. The Rangers currently play at Globe Life park in Arlington, but the city's voters in November 2016 approved a ballot measure providing \$500 million in funding to help build a new Rangers stadium expected to cost about \$1 billion total.

Not far from AT&T Stadium and Globe Life Park, the Six Flags Over Texas amusement park stands on the south side of I-30 in Arlington, and just across the interstate is Six Flags Hurricane Harbor water park.

UT-Arlington, a part of the University of Texas system with about 35,000 students, sits right in the middle of the city.

#### **GRAND PRAIRIE**

In Dallas County, the closest of the Mid Cities to Downtown Dallas boasts the Verizon Theatre, which hosts many top musical acts. Just across the street from Verizon Theatre sits the Lone Star Park horse race track, and just over a mile away are Ripley's Believe It or Not and Palace of Wax. Grand Prairie Premium Outlets offers bargain prices on high-end brand-name products, but the city is also home to the gigantic every-weekend flea market called Traders Village where you'll find a different kind of bargain shopping, and regular festivals, such as the Native American Championship Pow Wow held there every September.

#### IRVING

In Dallas County, right on the border of DFW Airport. Home of the Las Colinas development and business park and two theater companies: Lyric Stage and ICT MainStage.

#### HURST-EULESS-BEDFORD

In Tarrant County, this triumvirate of cities are frequently referred to as H-E-B. A growing area with many businesses and new family homes, they also border Haltom City.

#### SOUTHERN SECTOR: DESOTO, CEDAR HILL, LANCASTER, DUNCANVILLE, WAXAHACHIE

If you've gone to Waxahachie, you've gone too far! Actually, that city is on the outer edge of the Metroplex. These smaller towns south of Dallas have grown in popularity with North Texans, though more slowly than northern suburbs like Plano. Addison and Frisco. Waxahachie, in particular, is known for its many turn-of-the-century gingerbread homes, as well as Scarborough Renaissance Faire, a two-month-long renaissance festival held on a 165acre site just southwest of downtown. The renaissance festival is open every weekend in April and May each year, but each October the festival site converts to a haunted theme park for the Halloween season.

#### FORT WORTH

Fort Worth is the 16th largest city in the United States and has been called one of America's most livable communities. Today, it is a thriving center of culture and commerce with plenty to offer: the Historic Stockyards, remarkable museums, a dazzling downtown area, the Texas Motor Speedway, spectacular annual events and more.

The LGBT community in Fort Worth is active and growing, with the older neighborhoods of Meadowbrook and Handley on the eastern side of the city home to a large number of gay residents attracted to historic homes and friendly neighbors.

Fort Worth made headlines around the world in 2009 when agents with the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission teamed with officers from the Fort Worth Police Department to conduct a "raid" on a newly-opened gay bar called the Rainbow Lounge. The raid left one gay bar patron hospitalized with a head injury after, witnesses said, officers handcuffed him and threw him to the floor, causing him to strike his head on the concrete.

Even though then-Police Chief Jeff Halstead angered the LGBT community and its allies with initial statements that seemed to indicate the patrons in the bar made sexual advances toward officers, he quickly clarified his position and became one of the LGBT community's staunchest allies. Also in the wake of the raid, city officials listened to the concerns of LGBT residents, passing policies and ordinances that were - and still are among the most progressive in Texas. A little more than a year after the raid — in October 2010 — openly gay Fort Worth Councilman Joel Burns gained international attention when he addressed the issue of bullying, that had resulted in a wave of suicides, in a tearful speech during a council meeting. Burns recalled a time when he, as a gay teen, considered suicide after being bullied at school, and he promised LGBT teens, "It aets better."

## COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

North Texas is awash in institutions of higher education, public and private, most offering opportunities and a welcoming attitude toward LGBT-identified students. Here are some of the major colleges that have gay-friendly policies or groups on campus.



### DALLAS COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

#### DCCCD.edu

With seven colleges on 13 campuses in the Dallas area, DCCCD is the largest undergraduate institution in the state of Texas. DCCCD excels in health-related fields, including nursing, EMS, and paramedic programs. Each credit hour is just \$52. LGBT and gay-straight alliance groups are available on some campuses.

### SOUTHERN METHODIST UNIVERSITY

6425 Boaz Lane Dallas, 75205

#### SMU.edu

SMU, a nationally-ranked private university of 11,000 students, offers small classes, seven degree-granting schools and a vitally strong alumni association. Famed for its football program, world-class business school and for being home to the George W. Bush Presidential Library, it's a school with plenty of pride thanks to LGBT organizations for students and alumni.

#### **TARRANT COUNTY COLLEGE**

1201 E. 13th St. Fort Worth, 76102

#### TCCD.edu

Tarrant County College, or Tarrant County College District, is a community college serving Fort Worth and other cities in Tarrant County, providing degree programs toward an Associate of Arts, an Associate of Science, an Associate of Applied Science or Associate of Arts in Teaching. As of 2008 the institution was ranked as the sixth largest in Texas among community colleges and

universities with student enrollment for credit hours of 100,000. Five physical campuses, a virtual campus and a centralized office make up the TCC District. There LGBT student groups on some campuses.

#### **TEXAS CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY**

2800 S. University Drive Fort Worth, 76129

#### TCU.edu

The TCU Horned Frogs football team is so popular that all of Fort Worth joins in on the action, even dyeing the Trinity River purple when the team is on a winning streak. At only 9,500 students, this private university has a real community feel on campus. With nine degree-granting schools, including a well-respected nursing program, there is plenty of academic diversity. A

◆TEXAS CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY TEXAS WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY ▼

gay-straight alliance also has a strong presence. Brite Divinity School at TCU is considered a liberal school with several LGBT faculty including a lesbian dean.

#### **TEXAS WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY**

1201 Wesleyan St. Fort Worth, 76105

#### TXWes.edu

Texas Wesleyan University is a private, co-educational, liberal arts university founded by the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in 1890. The 75acre main campus is located in the Polytechnic Heights Neighborhood of Fort Worth, U.S. News & World Report ranked Texas Wesleyan in the No. 1 tier of regional universities for three consecutive years, and the school 27 areas of undergraduate study, as well as honors and pre-professional programs. The university offers graduate programs in business, education, counseling, nurse anesthesia and law. Sports include baseball, basketball, cross-country, golf, soccer and track & field, softball, tennis and volleyball. Co-ed teams include cheer and dance and internationally-known

table tennis teams. The school currently has no football team because during World War II the entire team enlisted, and not enough returned from the war to start the team up again. However, the school is planning to re-instate its football program. The school has an active LGBT student group.

#### **TEXAS WOMAN'S UNIVERSITY**

304 Administration Drive P.O. Box 425589, Denton, 76204

#### TWU.edu

One of two large universities in Denton, TWU is the nation's largest university primarily for women (men are allowed, but represent a small minority of the close to 15,000 students). The public university is known for its liberal arts and healthcare programs, with a large emphasis in occupational and physical therapy programs. There is an active lesbian population on campus and a strong campus organization for LGBT students. Women's volleyball and basketball programs are popular.

#### **UNIVERSITY OF NORTH TEXAS**

1155 Union Circle #311277 Denton, 76203

#### UNT.edu

Denton's largest university, UNT is home to 36,000 students (including other satellite campuses around the region). One of this public university's biggest claims to fame is its College of Music and Grammy Award-winning One O'Clock Lab Band. For LGBT students, there are plenty of official welcoming organizations. UNT is also home of the LGBT archives — which has every issue of the LGBT newspaper Dallas Voice digitized, searchable and available online — plus LGBT studies programs, GLAD Dallas and a resource center called Pride Alliance.

### UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT ARLINGTON

701 S. Nedderman Drive Arlington, 76019

#### UTA.edu

UTA, at 34,000 students strong, is gaining a strong reputation as a leading research university. It offers increasing expertise in bioengineering, medical diagnostics, micro-manufacturing and defense and Homeland Security technologies. The school has no football team, but students make up for that with a variety of unique sporting opportunities, including a mud volleyball tournament, bed races and a national-championship wheelchair basketball team. A gay-straight alliance and LGBT programs aim to enhance the college experience for anyone identifying as non-heterosexual.

#### **UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT DALLAS**

800 West Campbell Road Richardson, 75080

#### UTD.edu

UTD offers 130 academic programs across seven schools. Its focus has always been on science and technology curriculum. Men's soccer and basketball, as well as women's volleyball, are teams to watch. Pride at UTD, their LGBT diversity group, is active on campus.



### **COMMUNITY SPORTS ORGANIZATIONS**

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#### **DALLAS DIABLOS RUGBY** FOOTBALL CLUB

Teams for both men and women; open to all players. The season runs from October through May for men and February to October for women. For more information or to join, visit DallasDiablos.org.

#### **DALLAS ELITE**

An all-female football team competing in the South West Conference of the Women's Football Alliance. For information visit

DallasEliteFootball.com.

#### **DALLAS INDEPENDENT VOLLEY-**VALL ASSOCIATION (DIVA)

An indoor volleyball association with five skill levels and 12-week seasons in the fall and spring. DIVA also hosts the Fall Classic Tournament for teams from around the country to play. For more information about joining, visit DIVADallas.org.

#### **DFW FRONTRUNNERS**

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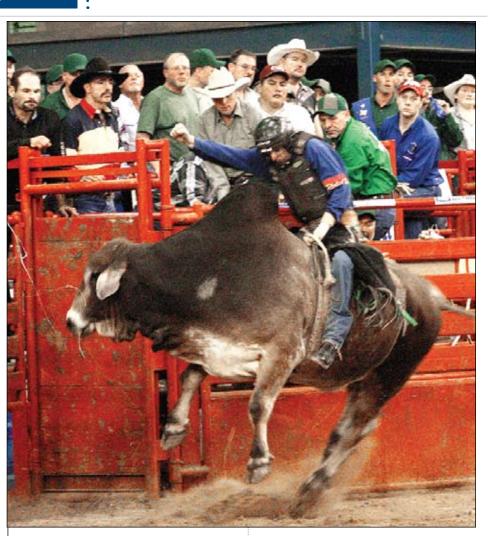
#### **DIFFERENT STROKES GOLF ASSOCIATION**

Organization hosting competitive golf events and tournaments for LGBT players of all levels. Events are scheduled twice a month from March through October. For more information or to join, visit DSGADallas.org.

#### OAK LAWN BOWLING **ASSOCIATION**

A member of the International Gay Bowling Association, open to players of all skill levels. There is a summer session that begins in June and a fall session that starts in September. The OLBA hosts the Big D Classic in August. For more information or to join, visit

OakLawnBowling.com.



#### OAK LAWN SKI **AND SCUBA CLUB**

A social club that organizes recreational trips for LGBTs with an emphasis on skiing and scuba diving. Annual membership dues are mandatory to travel with the group. For more information or to join, visit OLSSC.org.

#### **OAK LAWN TENNIS ASSOCIATION**

A member of the national Gay and Lesbian Tennis Alliance, offers play at all levels from competitive to new players, with singles and doubles leagues. Hosts the Texas Open, a gay and lesbian international tennis tournament. For more information or to join, visit OLTADallas.org.

#### **PEGASUS SLOWPITCH SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION**

A member of the North American Gay Amateur Athletic Alliance and open to those interested in playing softball in the appropriate division based on skill level. Offers a spring season running March through July and "Fall Ball" from September through November and hosts the annual Beat the Heat NAGAAA Cup Tournament in May. For more information or to join, visit DallasPSSA.org.

#### **TEXAS GAY RODEO ASSOCIATION**

Hosts its annual rodeo event for men and women and works toward helping charitable organizations. The Dallas chapter and the Fort Worth chapter represent TGRA in North Texas. The organization also has a royal court with Mr., Ms. and Miss TGRA named each year. For more information, visit TGRA.org.

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First founded in 1970 as a small group of LGBT people gathered to worship, the church became affiliated with the Universal Fellowship of Metropolitan Community Churches in 1972.

#### **ASCENSION LUTHERAN CHURCH**

4230 W. Buckingham Road Garland, 75042 972-276-0023

#### AscensionTexas.org

Evangelical Lutheran church established in 1964. About 120 members.

#### **CATHEDRAL OF HOPE UCC**

5910 Cedar Springs Road. DALLAS, 75219 214-351-1901

#### CathedralOfHope.com

Established in 1970 as Dallas Metropolitan Community Church, in the Universal Fellowship of Metropolitan Community Churches. Later left UFMCC and in 2006 became affiliated with United Church of Christ denomination. About 4,000 members, CoH is the largest church in the world with a primarily LGBT congregation.

#### **CATHEDRAL OF LIGHT**

2570 Valley View Lane Farmers Branch, 75234 972-245-6520

#### COLight.org

Established in 1985 as the Community Church of Religious Science. In 1990, the nondenominational metaphysical church changed its name to Cathedral of Light. Weekly attendance is about 100.

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#### COTLChurch.org

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### COMMUNITY UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CHURCH

2875 E. Parker Road Plano, 75074 972-424-8989

#### UUPlano.org

Established in 1975 as Unitarian Universalist Fellowship North, the church changed its name to Community Unitarian Universalist in 1998. About 200 members.

#### **CHURCH IN THE CLIFF**

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#### **CONGREGATION BETH EL BINAH**

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#### FirstJefferson.org.

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4105 Junius St. Dallas, 75246 214-824-2533

#### GraceUMCDallas.org

Established in 1903 with a membership of about 250.

### HORIZON UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CHURCH

1641 W. Hebron Parkway, Carrollton, 75010 972-462-4940

#### HorizonUU.org

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### NORTHAVEN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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#### Northhaven.org

About a third of this organization is LGBT. About 500 members.

### TRINITY METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY CHURCH

933 E. Avenue J Grand Prairie, 75050 817-265-5454

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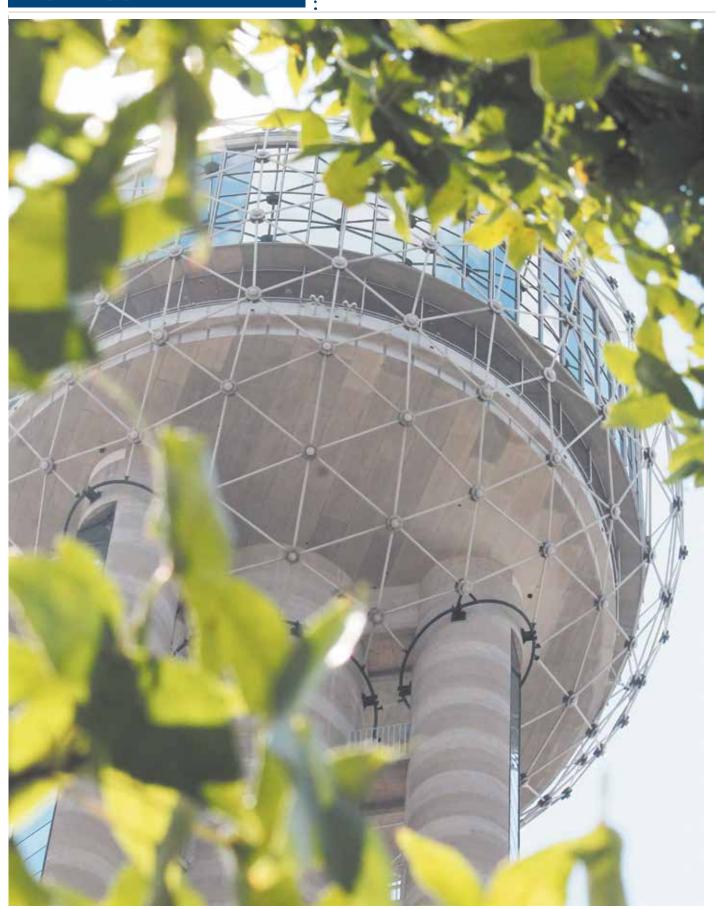
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### WHITE ROCK COMMUNITY CHURCHY

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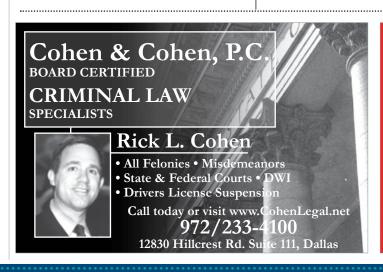
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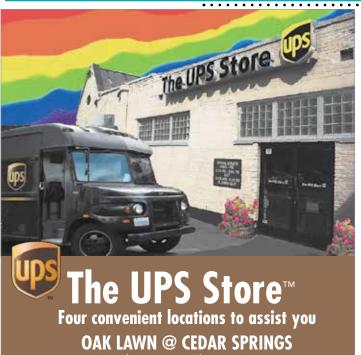
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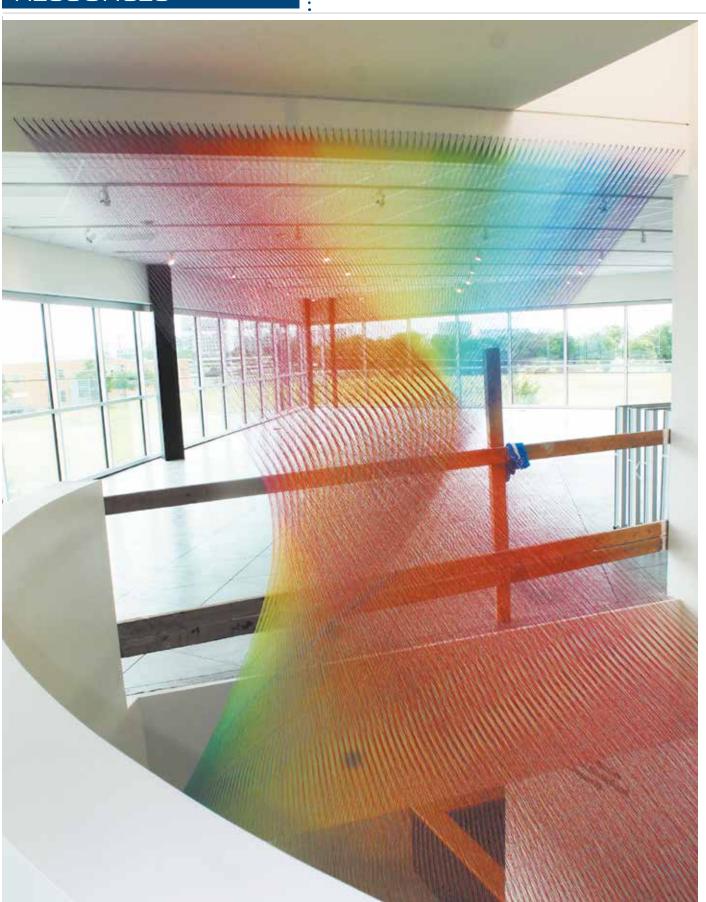
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