

**Mapping LGBTQ St. Louis**  
**Additional Information Sheet**

Location:

Faces

Faces Complex; Follies East

130 N. 4th St.

Location also listed as 130 Collinsville Ave.

Additional Information:

Building occupied the block between N. 4th Street and Collinsville Ave. Multiple bars located within a 3-level complex. First floor featured disco and dancing. Basement featured a Levi / leather bar, sometimes called "MineShaft." Second floor "upstage" featured entertainment and shows with female impersonators, occasional X-rated movies. This upper show-bar also known as Follies East. Site of Miss Gay St. Louis Pageant in 1985 and 1986.

Guidebooks describe as very popular, cruising-type bar and frequented by mostly younger / collegiate crowd. Some country western / cowboy crowd. Gaylife newsletter (June 1979) notes a bar owner returned a survey returned by bar indicating "...for Gay men only, but anyone visiting Faces knows that there is a large non-gay and women's contingent here." Gaia's Guides for women noted complex offered a "private bar for women only" in 1981, although by 1982 the bar is described as 50/50 men and women.