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Scan the QR codes
to listen to voices
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REVEALING

ST. JAMES'S STREET

An audio guide
of stories and
voices from the
community.

About the Project

Revealing St James's Street is a project bringing the queer history that is steeped into the very bricks of the venues and business of St James's Street back to life, through the voices of the community.

Drag icons Alfie Ordinary, Alex Fincher and Billie Gold have interviewed some of the people who made this street their home, and weaved them into a brand new walking tour of the places and spaces that make up the beating heart of queer Brighton & Hove.

What they have unearthed are stories of activism, wild nights out, venues gone but not forgotten, and of course a good amount of gossip...

Recommended Age: 16+

Content Warning: Mention of sex, adult language, adult themes, mention of substance use and violence.



Grab a map, scan the QR codes, and listen to the voices and stories that bring the queer history of St James's Street back into life. The numbers follow the order of a suggested route.

This vibrant archival project has collected only some of the stories of the residents, venue owners, punters and performers of a neighbourhood that's been at the heart of Brighton's queer life for decades. It isn't a comprehensive history, but one that will keep growing.

Keep an eye on our digital archive to find more images and stories from the neighbourhood at queerheritagesouth.co.uk or scan the QR Code below to visit the *Revealing St James's Street* minisite where you can find all the oral histories and images.

The voices you are hearing are of:

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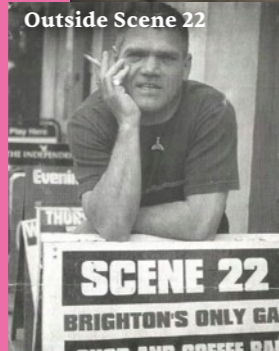
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Before Charles Street



Outside The
Queens Arms, 1890s



Outside Scene 22



Outside Scene 22 & Zanzibar



Inside Scene 22



Inside Charles Street



Marlborough Pub & Theatre and Hizzze Fletcher's heritage mural, 2017



Queenie enjoys a break
from DJing, Candy Bar



Cutting from Gscene, November 2001



The opening night of Candy Bar, 2000



Outside Charles Street



Protests outside John Street police station
against queer bashing, early 1990s



Outside The Queens Arms

The Venues

1. The Actors

**Formerly The Marlborough
Pub & Theatre**

4 Prince's St, Kemptown,
Brighton and Hove, Brighton BN2 1RD

2. Revenge

32-34 Old Steine, Kemptown,
Brighton and Hove, Brighton BN1 1EL

3. Charles Street Tap

8 Marine Parade, Kemptown,
Brighton and Hove, Brighton BN2 1TA

4. Bar Broadway

**Formerly Queen's Head, Secrets,
Aquarium**

10 Steine St, Kemptown,
Brighton and Hove, Brighton BN2 1TY

5. Nautilus Lounge

**Formerly Subline, Candy Bar,
Zanzibar**

129-130 St James's St, Kemptown,
Brighton and Hove, Brighton BN2 1TH

6. Affinity

Formerly Scene 22, Poison Ivy

129 St James's St, Kemptown,
Brighton and Hove, Brighton BN2 1TH

7. Prowler

112-113 St James's St, Kemptown,
Brighton and Hove, Brighton BN2 1TH

8. The Zone

Formerly Candy Bar

33 St James's St, Kemptown,
Brighton and Hove, Brighton BN2 1RF

9. Camelford Arms

Formerly Open Door

30-31 Camelford St, Kemptown,
Brighton and Hove, Brighton BN2 1TQ

10. Legends

31-34 Marine Parade, Kemptown,
Brighton and Hove, Brighton BN2 1TR

11. The Black Dove

Formerly Villagers

74 St James's St, Kemptown,
Brighton and Hove, Brighton BN2 1PA

12. Bulldog

31 St James's Street Mews, Kemptown,
Brighton and Hove, Brighton BN2 1RF

13. The Queens Arms

7-8 George St, Kemptown,
Brighton and Hove, Brighton BN2 1RH