

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

Location:

Red Bull, The  
Red Bull 1; Orange Blossom Cafe  
506 Missouri Ave.

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Located at Missouri & 5th Ave. Owner Jim Hawkins and Jerry Edwards renovated the building and opened as "Red Bull" bar. The liquor license was registered under the name "Orange Blossom" at the suggestion of their supply vendor. This pseudonym meant that when complaints were made to the police about the "Red Bull" were more difficult to connect with the actual bar. Allowed dancing, and hosted drag / female impersonation shows regularly.

Location:

Red Bull, The  
Red Bull 2  
512 Missouri Ave.

Additional Information:

Location generally noted as "Missouri Ave., between 5th and 6th." Moved to larger building at 512 Missouri Ave. in 1972.

Featured disco, dancing, and hosted drag / female impersonation shows regularly, including competitions. Lana Kuntz won Miss Gay Illinois 1974 at the Red Bull. PrimeTime described the bar in 1977 as: "Very popular bar, especially on Sunday and on weekends after 1:30 A.M. when there is a traffic jam on the bridge. Combination of regular bar, good disco with excellent light show, and a fine drag show downstairs, featuring both Donna Drag, the current Miss Gay Illinois and Dusty, the current Miss Gay Missouri. Dusty often does a very unusual "drag" act, and there are often more elaborate shows. Cover charge: \$1 on weekdays, \$2 on weekends."