

Mapping LGBTQ St. Louis
Additional Information Sheet

Location:

Monks Mound State Park / Cahokia Mounds Historic Site
camping area behind Monk's Mound

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Monks Mounds State Park was the original name for the park when established in 1924. State park was 750-acres centered on Monk's Mound.

PrimeTime in 1977 described the park as "Obviously preferred by East Side gays, Cahokia Mounds offers a meeting place for those who live in, or are visiting, the Illinois portion of the St, Louis area. The main gay area is the camping area towards the rear of the park. The most popular time is early evening, since the park closes at 10 P. M."

Damron guide noted "hot, at your own risk" indicating often police were present in the area.

For additional history see: