

The GLBT Community

While Halifax may be a comparatively small city, it has a vital history of gay and lesbian organizing that dates back more than thirty years. The local community has been very active socially and politically; and both on the provincial and national scenes. At home activism led to Nova Scotia bringing forth basic human rights protections fifteen years ago. Since then, adoption rights were opened up and in September of 2004 same-sex marriage became legal. Halifax Pride Week happens each year in late July, and there are bar and community events throughout the year. Pick up a copy of the free community monthly **Wayves** for current event listings and community news.

What To Do

There are gay owned and gay-friendly Bed & Breakfasts, bars and night clubs, restaurants and shops to explore in this historic city (see directory inside). Restaurants run the gamut from local seafood (scallops or lobster anyone?) to numerous fusion and ethnic cuisines, and in all price ranges. Being both a military port and a 'university town', it should be no surprise Halifax has a busy and diverse club scene. With everything from traditional pubs, through to more upscale watering holes, there should be something for everyone's taste. The live music scene (of all genres) is very active in Halifax and bands are a mainstay at many licensed establishments. Pick up **The Coast** for free weekly entertainment listings.

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Summer Festivals

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Halifax Celtic Feis, June 1-4 - Celebration of Irish and Scottish culture and heritage through music, dance, exhibitions, etc. www.halifaxcelticfeis.com

Nova Scotia Multicultural Festival, June 16-18 - A celebration of Nova Scotia's ethno-cultural diversity. www.mans.ns.com

Royal Nova Scotia International Tattoo, July 1-8 - This annual spectacular features international military and civilian performers. www.nstatattoo.ca

Atlantic Jazz Festival, July 14-23 - The best of east coast jazz musicians along with international guests. www.jazzeast.com

Halifax Pride 2006, July 16-23 - A diversity of events for a diverse group. www.halifaxpride.org

Halifax Busker Festival, Aug. 10-20 - Street performers from around the world. www.buskers.ca

Halifax Comedy Fest, Aug. 24-29 - Get your funny bone tickled. www.halifaxcomedyfest.ca

Atlantic Film Festival, Sept. 14-23 - A juried selection of films from the Atlantic region, Canada and the world (and a GLBT series). www.atlanticfilm.com

Grou Tyme Acadian Festival, Sept. 19-24 - Music, food and much more. www.Groutyme.com

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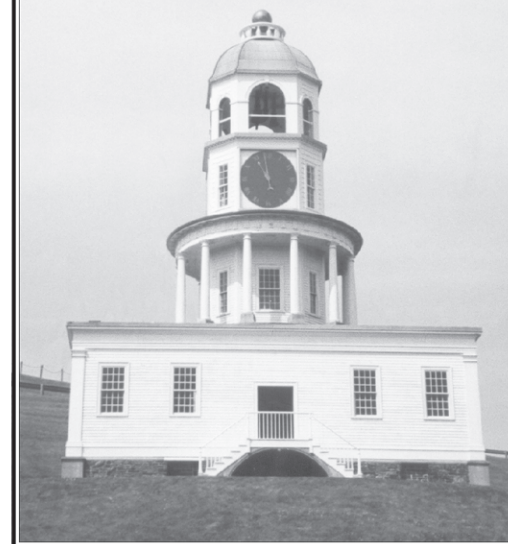
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The Gay & Lesbian Visitors Guide to Halifax



Halifax is Atlantic Canada's largest city and it's economic centre. This capital city has the second largest natural harbour in the world and, being a NATO port, is often bustling with sailors on shore leave! The city owes it's beginnings to the Halifax Citadel on top of Citadel Hill (just behind the Old Town Clock pictured above). This star-shaped fort sits high above the city with panoramic views of the harbour and the surrounding city. Prepare yourself for the boom of the noon cannon fired from the Citadel each day. Peninsular Halifax also boasts two fine parks of note. The Public Gardens is a fine example of a formal Victorian garden. At the south end of the peninsula Point Pleasant Park has trails for all and great views.

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- ▼ **ACCOMMODATIONS**
- 37 Fresh Start Bed & Breakfast
40 Roosters Glen Bed & Breakfast
- ▼ **ANTIQUES & COLLECTIBLES**
- Mother Hubbard's Cupboard
32 Nooks & Crannies Store
- ▼ **BARS**
- 30 Evolution Cabaret
28 Menz Bar (see ad)
17 Reflections Cabaret
- ▼ **BOOKSTORES / MAGAZINES**
- 8 Atlantic News
4 Book Mark
7 Frog Hollow Books
19 Little Mysteries Books
24 Outside The Lines
11 Strange Adventures
16 Venus Envy (see ad)
- ▼ **CAFÉS & RESTAURANTS**
- 28 Alteregos Cafe / Halifax Backpackers
30 Blue Moon Bistro (see ad)
41 Café Tryst
- 2720 Gottingen Street 453-6616
12 Glen Manor Drive (Dartmouth) 462-1300
30 Highway #3 (Hubbards, NS) 857-3766
2411 Agricola Street 423-0431
2215 Gottingen Street 405-3049
2104 Gottingen Street 446-6969
5184 Sackville Street 422-2957
5560 Morris Street 429-5468
5686 Spring Garden Road 423-0419
Park Lane Mall 429-3318
1663 Barrington Street 423-1313
6297 Quinpool Road 422-3544
5262 Sackville Street 425-2140
1598 Barrington Street 422-0004
2193 Gottingen Street 431-3170
2215 Gottingen Street 446-3644
86 Portland Street (Dartmouth) 404-3050

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3 Dio Mio Gelato 492-3467
20 Elephant's Eye Decor & Cafe 1727 Barrington Street 420-1225
34 FRED. Salon / Cafe / Gallery (see ad) 2606 Agricola Street 423-5400
31 Jane's On The Common (see ad) 2394 Robie Street 431-5683
26 Mollyz Diner (see ad) 2104 Gottingen Street 405-3376
14 Pineau's Cafe 5190 Blowers Street 429-9819
38 Salvatore's Pizzalolo Trattoria (see ad) 5541 Young Street 455-1133
21 Timothy's World Coffee 1791 Barrington Street 423-8276
- ▼ **FITNESS**
- 25 The Yoga Loft 5663 Cornwallis Street, #301 429-3330
- ▼ **FLORISTS**
- 6 My Mother's Bloomers 5640 Spring Garden Road 422-2700
23 Steve's Bloomin Flowers 249 Herring Cove Road 477-2564
- ▼ **GIFTS / CRAFTS**
- 42 Handmade From The Heart 101 Portland Street (Dartmouth) 469-0194
22 Mr. Romance 1903 Barrington Street 425-LOVE
12 The Bead Pod 1567 Grafton Street 422-1413
- ▼ **HOME FURNISHINGS**
- 27 Accent Gallery 2057 Gottingen Street 422-8818

- 18 Attica Furnishings Ltd.
9 M Home
35 Statement (see ad)
6 Thornbloom
- ▼ **GARDENING**
- 39 Topiary
- ▼ **PUBLICATIONS**
- The Coast (issues & entertainment weekly)
• Wayves (LGBT community monthly)
- ▼ **REGISTERED MESSAGE THERAPY**
- 5 Be Massage Therapy
• Stage Hands
- ▼ **SAUNA**
- 29 SeaDog's Sauna & Spa (see ad)
- ▼ **SPIRITUAL**
- 1 Halifax Shambhala Centre
2 Quakers
36 Safe Harbour MCC
33 St. John's United
10 Universalist Unitarian
▼ **TATTOO / PIERCING**
13 Utility
- 1652 Granville Street 423-2557
1471 Birmingham Street 429-4333
2698 Agricola Street 455-0442
5640 Spring Garden Road 425-8005
5513 Young Street 446-4483
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