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Our World Too Bookstore

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Additional Information:

Retail store selling gay and lesbian books, magazines, travel guides, gifts, jewelry, safe sex supplies, and art. Owned by Bill Cordes. Served as a ticket outlet for gay, lesbian, and women's events. Video club added 1988. Also operated as a community center.

Events included: reception announcing beginning of "Challenge Archives: A St. Louis Gay and Lesbian History" 10/18/1987, reception for Tim Cusick 7/22/1990, Katherine V. Forrest to talk about contemporary lesbian writing 10/5/1990, Challenge Metro fundraiser 12/4/1990.

Programs included: National Leather Association of St. Louis chapter, Lesbian Affirmative Support, Slightly Older Lesbians, St. Louis Lesbian and Gay Outdoor Club, Kindred Spirits Science Fiction/Fantasy Club, Sons and Daughters of PFLAG, lesbian support group C.L.A.S., Wired Women dances, Challenge Metro meetings and elections, Rainbow Coalition (SLU student organization).

Business was incorporated in 1990.

For additional history see: