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Top 100 Nightclubs and Bars Selected by Editors of National Trade Magazine

OXFORD, Miss. — As part of its upcoming 20th anniversary celebration, Oxford Publishing Inc., publisher of *Nightclub & Bar* magazine, has named the top 100 bars and clubs in the United States.

Whether hip or highly historical, lucrative or luscious, famous or even infamous, the *Editors' Top 100* venues have impacted not only the hospitality industry throughout the years, but popular culture, as well. These establishments have launched musical and movie careers, been a home-away-from home for struggling writers and artists, fashionistas and college students, and have set the stage for burgeoning political movements.

Also on the list are venues that have proven to be highly successful in one of the most competitive industries in the world, as well as the trendsetting bars and clubs, where, indeed, who you know gets you in the door.

Such legendary Rock clubs as Los Angeles' Whiskey a Go-Go and New Orleans'*** made the cut. There are smoky jazz clubs, huge Country and Western bars, the ultimate blues joints and sophisticated venues like Marquee ultra-lounge in New York and Vegas' Ghostbar.

Celebrity hangouts are part of the *Editors' Top 100*, too. There is Spider Club, a venue so A-list that it's located within another hot club – Avalon in Los Angeles — and Randy Gerber's Skybar, also in Los Angeles. And what would a bar and club list be without some highly successful sports bars? They are included in the *Editors' Top 100*, as well as the best of Irish pubs and neighborhood bars.

“For the last two decades, the editors of *Nightclub & Bar* have kept track of the most hip and happening venues in the United States,” says Jennifer Robinson, C.O.O. of Oxford Publishing. “As we celebrate 20 years of reporting on the nightclub and bar industry, we thought it only fitting to name the ‘best of the best.’”

Those venues that made the *Editors' Top 100*, in alphabetical order, include:

1. 32 Degrees, Philadelphia
2. Avalon & Spider Club, Los Angeles

3. B & G Oysters Ltd, Boston
4. B.B. King's Blues Club, Memphis, Tenn.
5. Baja Sharkeez/Newman Hospitality, Manhattan Beach, Calif.
6. Banana Joe's, Marion, Ohio
7. Bar Anticipation, South Belmar, N.J.
8. Bar Twenty 3, Nashville, Tenn.
9. Barmuda, Cedar Falls, Iowa
10. Barracuda/Concept Entertain Group, Portland, Ore.
11. Billy Bob's Texas, Fort Worth, Texas
12. Blue Note, New York
13. Bobby McGee's, Phoenix
14. Bongos Cuban Caf,, Miami, Fla.
15. Boogie Nights/Creative Concepts, Schaumburg, Ill.
16. Cafe Seville, San Diego
17. Caf, Iguana, Fort Lauderdale, Fla.
18. Caramel Bar and Lounge at Bellagio, Las Vegas, Nev.
19. Casbah at Trump Taj Mahal Casino, Atlantic City, N.J.
20. Catalina Bar & Grill, Hollywood, Calif.
21. Churchill's Pub, Miami, Fla.
22. Club Ampersand, New Orleans
23. Club Chameleon/Chameleon Studios, Las Vegas
24. Club Clau, Cincinnati
25. Club Deep, Miami Beach, Fla.

26. Club La Vela, Panama City Beach, Fla.
27. Copacabana, New York
28. Crobar, Miami
29. Crocodile Caf,, Seattle
30. Dakota Jazz Club & Restaurant, Minneapolis
31. Dave & Buster's, Dallas
32. Denim, Philadelphia
33. Dimitriou's Jazz Alley, Seattle
34. Dream, Washington, D.C.
35. Elements The Lounge, Sea Bright, N.J.
36. Excalibur, Chicago, Ill.
37. Furio, Scottsdale, Ariz.
38. GameWorks, Glendale, Calif.
39. Ghostbar at Palms Casino, Las Vegas
40. Green Parrot Bar, Key West, Fla.
41. House of Blues, Hollywood, Calif.
42. Howl at the Moon, Covington, Ky.
43. ICE, Las Vegas
44. Infinity Room, Minneapolis
45. Jazz At Pearl's, San Francisco
46. Jazz Bakery, Culver City, Calif.
47. Kahunaville, Wilmington, Del.
48. Kells Irish Restaurant & Pub, Portland, Ore.

49. Key Club, West Hollywood, Calif.
50. Le Passage, Chicago
51. Long Street, Columbus, Ohio
52. Manitoba's, New York
53. Marquee, New York
54. Matrix, Orlando, Fla.
55. Maxwell's, Hoboken, N.J.
56. McDuffy's Sportsbar, Tempe, Ariz.
57. Mercy Wine Bar, Addison, Texas
58. Metropolis, Orlando, Fla.
59. Mickey's Hangover, Scottsdale, Ariz.
60. Mike's Treehouse, Dallas
61. NASCAR Caf., Greensboro, N.C.
62. Pin-Up Bowl, St. Louis
63. Polly Esthers (The Danceplex), New York
64. Rain in the Desert at Palms Casino, Las Vegas
65. Raleigh Hotel/Oasis Lounge, Miami Beach, Fla.
66. Red Star, Houston
67. Roostertail Inc., Detroit
68. Rudy's Bar and Grill, New York
69. Scott Gertner's SKYBAR, Houston
70. Senses, Memphis, Tenn.
71. Shooters, Saginaw, Mich.

72. Skybar, Los Angeles
73. Sloppy Joe's, Key West, Fla.
74. Snug Harbor Jazz Bistro, New Orleans
75. Studio 54 at MGM Grand, Las Vegas
76. T.J. Mulligan's, Memphis, Tenn.
77. Tabu Ultra Lounge at MGM Grand, Las Vegas
78. The Beach, Las Vegas
79. The Bluebird Caf., Nashville, Tenn.
80. The Bosco, Ferndale, Mich.
81. The Cafe Wha?, New York
82. The Derby, Los Angeles
83. The Fillmore, San Francisco
84. The Funky Butt At Congo Square, New Orleans
85. The Highlands, Hollywood, Calif.
86. The Library Bar & Grill, Tempe, Ariz.
87. The Longbranch Entertainment Complex, Raleigh, N.C.
88. The New Crown & Anchor, Provincetown, Mass.
89. The Polo Lounge, Beverly Hills, Calif.
90. The Potion Lounge, New York
91. The Swamp, Fort Walton Beach, Fla.
92. The Viper Room, Los Angeles
93. The Water Tank, Austin, Texas
94. Tipitina's, New Orleans

95. Tonic Night Club, Pontiac, Mich.
96. Tootsies Orchid Lounge, Nashville, Tenn.
97. Velvet, St. Louis
98. Village Vanguard, New York
99. Whisky A Go-Go, West Hollywood, Calif.
100. Zeldaz Nightclub and Beachclub, Palm Springs, Calif.

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