

*Portland's*

# HARVEY MILK STREET PROJECT

Portland has a tradition of naming public spaces after civil rights heroes who were emblematic of the communities they represented. Despite this, there is no street, building, or park in Portland named after an LGBTQ civil rights leader. The Harvey Milk Street Project is a campaign to name the 13 blocks of SW Stark Street after Harvey Milk, and is led by a grassroots coalition of members of the LGBTQ community and downtown business owners.

Harvey Milk was a prominent LGBTQ rights activist in the early stages of our community's struggle for

equality, and one of the first openly LGBTQ Americans ever elected to public office. His unapologetic insistence on full equality galvanized the budding LGBTQ rights movement. He supported activists around the country, including the campaign opposing the anti-LGBTQ Measure 51 in Oregon the same year he died. Harvey was assassinated in 1978 by an anti-gay activist and former colleague, who also murdered San Francisco's pro-equality mayor. To this day, Milk's legacy and message of hope continue to inspire young LGBTQ activists around the world.



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# ENDORSEMENTS



“I am proud to add my enthusiastic support to this proposal to recognize Harvey Milk here in Portland. He was a role model of courage and honesty for our country.”

- **Governor Barbara Roberts**

“Given a history of bias and bigotry against the people who make up the GLBTQ community, we need to create cultural symbols that reinforce our roles as positive members of the broader society. Naming a street after Harvey Milk will... acknowledge our struggle and our humanity.”

- **Kathleen Saadat**, Portland activist & musician



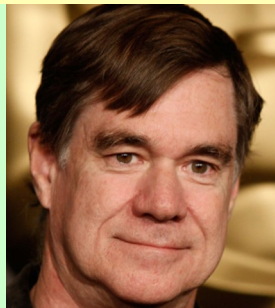
“As a gay man and business owner on SW Stark Street, this project is remarkable to me. I was an LGBTQ activist in Togo before I was forced to leave and seek asylum here in the US, because my government passed a 5-year prison sentence for anyone who is gay. The Harvey Milk

Street Project makes me so proud that I picked Portland to start my business and new life!”

- **Jean Pierre Nugloze**, Owner of N’Kossi Boutique de l’Afrique on Southwest Stark Street

“Harvey Milk’s message is one of positivity and hope. It’s exciting to see somebody who has done so much good be recognized, and I would love to have a street named after him in Portland.”

- **Gus Van Sant**, Portland filmmaker and director of the movie *Milk*, a biopic of Harvey Milk’s life



## Community Organizations

ACLU of Oregon	Our House
Basic Rights Oregon	Portland Gay Men's Chorus
Bridging Voices	Portland Lesbian Choir
Cascade AIDS Project	PSU's Queer Resource Center
Dykes on Bikes PDX	PQ Monthly
El Hispanic News	Pride Foundation
First Unitarian Church of Portland	Pride Northwest
International Imperial Court Council	Prism Health
Northwest Gender Alliance	Quest Center for Integrative Health
OHSU Partnership Project	Rose City Gay Freedom Band
Oregon Dept. of Veterans Affairs	Veterans for Human Rights

## Community Leaders

Governor Barbara Roberts	Thomas Lauderdale
Governor Ted Kulongoski	State Rep. Karin Power
Darcelle XV & Roxy LeRoy	Cathy Travis
Kathleen Saadat	Nancy Hales
Gus Van Sant	Dustin Lance Black
Tom Potter	Judy and Dennis Shepard
Stuart Milk	Nicole Murray Ramirez
Terry Bean	Marty Davis
Congressman Barney Frank	Reverend Nathan Meckley, MCC
Cory L. Murphy-Helmkamp	Roey Thorpe
Jean Pierre Nugloze	Esera Tuaolo
Lisa Schroeder	Billy Bean
Suzanne Hale	Homer Williams
Jason Collins	Mark Edlen

## Portland’s Business Community

### Businesses on SW Stark St:

Al-Amir Restaurant  
American Panda  
Boxer Ramen  
Caribbean Kitchen  
Chez Dodo  
Club Rouge  
Crystal Hotel  
Cultured Caveman  
John Fluevog Shoes  
Kenny & Zukes  
Mother's Bistro & Bar  
N’Kossi Boutique de l’Afrique  
Peterson's Grocery Store  
Pulehu Pizza  
Quik Fish Poke Bar  
Ringlers Annex  
The Roxy  
Scandals  
Steven Allen  
Stumptown Coffee Roasters  
Sushi Food Cart  
Timbuk2  
Velvet Lounge Café  
West End Bikes  
Zeus Café

### Other Portland Businesses:

Powell's City of Books  
McMenamins  
Gerding-Edlen  
FamilyCare Health  
Portland Institute for Contemporary Art  
Harsch Investment Properties  
Studio Blue  
Rose City Commercial Real Estate  
Hobo’s Restaurant  
Blue Hour  
23 Hoyt  
Oregon Pacific Investments  
The Rainbow Room Lounge  
Stag PDX  
Saucebox  
Clark Lewis  
Triangle Productions