

Drugs, space, and sociality in a gay nightclub in Sydney.

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Abstract

Based on fieldwork in Sydney, Australia, this article presents an ethnographic account of a night out in a gay nightclub. Detailed description covers recreational injecting drug use, sex and dancing, the club itself, and the surrounding area. From this, a concept of social or tribal space is developed that takes account of multiplicity and flux. This enables the exploration of drug use as one element within an environment that produces and is produced by complex social and cultural relations and thus reveals something about its meaning. (PsycINFO Database Record (c) 2009 APA, all rights reserved) (from the journal abstract)

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