

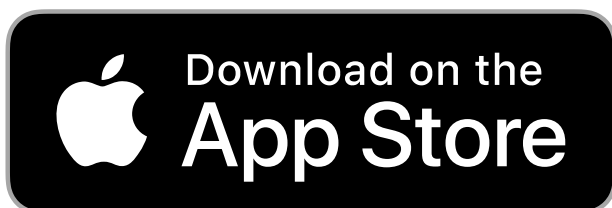


Café Montmartre

Café Montmartre was a restaurant and nightclub on Hollywood Boulevard at Highland Avenue in Hollywood, Los Angeles, California, US. Opened in 1923, it became a "worldwide center for celebrity and nightlife" during the 1920s and a place where tourists would visit to try to break into Hollywood. History In 1919, Charles E. Toberman bought the property at 6763 Hollywood Boulevard, and three years later, built a real estate office on the lot. The building, run by Meyer & Holler, included a first floor bank and Café Montmartre on the second floor. Café Montmartre was the first popular nightclub on the boulevard after Adolph 'Eddie' Brandstatter opened it in 1923. Given the dramatic growth of the American film industry in Hollywood at the time, it became a "worldwide center for celebrity and nightlife" during the 1920s. Gregory Paul Williams, author of *The Story of Hollywood: An Illustrated History*, describes it as the first successful café in Hollywood, stating that it became "the most publicized cafe in the country, where a bottle of booze was a sure thing, as was gambling in the back room". The venue's decline began in 1929 after Brandstatter opened the Embassy Club which drew away clientele from the Cafe Montmartre. He declared bankruptcy in 1932, and subsequently sold the Montmartre. The second floor space later housed the Lee Strasberg Institute before it became the present-day Club Day After, which features the Montmartre Lounge, a private parties' bar, its signage being just the letters "ML". A convenience store has replaced the first floor bank. Red Skelton's Hollywood Walk of Fame star for his work on radio is in front of the 6763 building.

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