



Dixieland Gardens

African American dance hall club @ 110 Luigart Court, Lexington, KY

From 1937-1944, some of the best African American jazz musicians played at Dixieland Gardens. The club was also used for celebrations, parties, charity events, and other community activities. Tragedy struck on February 13, 1943. Sam B. Coppock Jr., a University of Kentucky student, was killed by Boyd Lakes. Both Coppock and Lakes were white.

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