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/ Six Degrees Lounge /

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Six Degrees Lounge reminds one of older establishments in Chicago and New York, where the bar extends nearly the length of the club and most of the socializing happens in the front or back. The shotgun-style layout gives this new downtown club a laid-back, cozy atmosphere.

The décor centers around dark-wood paneling and muted colors, complemented by antique-looking light fixtures that cast a warm glow over the entire room. Great abstract art (by Nicola Parente) adorns by the right wall, while huge screen prints of black-and-white Warhol-esque nudes hang to the left. From the front to the back, couches and chairs provide plenty of seating, keeping the place intimate even when it's not quite full. Even when the weekends bring larger crowds, Six Degrees still proves a perfect venue for quiet nights.