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## Taqueria Social Club 6.1.10

### A taco bar-cum-speakeasy

Open Thurs - Sat 11pm-3am; 3252 NE 1st Ave; Midtown; no phone

Metamorphosis is everywhere: caterpillars change into butterflies, tadpoles grow lungs and become frogs, and that *Splice* movie is going to suck. For a hidden bar that emerges nightly from the cocoon of a taco shop, find your way to Taqueria Social Club.



TSC's a clandestine 'lil drinkery that takes over Mercadito's nook of a lunch/dinner counter-service taqueria; when it shuts at 10pm, they paper the windows so the joint looks closed, lock all the doors save for a tiny

one on the side, and by 11, reopen as a shadowy bar sling three different hand-crafted cocktails every night under the guidance of NYC mixologists the Tippling Bros, which is definitely their real name. The transformation's achieved by clearing out the kitchen line, replacing it with a well of booze and [a lineup of fresh](#) ingredients for that night's drinks, rigging up a disco ball, popping up a DJ booth that'll rock the place 'til 3am, and stocking the back bar with vintage glasswear they've snagged from local thrift stores, which also explains why the bartender's wearing your Bernie Kosar jersey. Drinks mean Mexican beers (Negro Modelo Especial, Pacifico, Corona, Dos Equis, and on occasion, micheladas), from-scratch frozen margaritas (including specialty jobs like mango or passion fruit), and those aforementioned cocktails, which're completely up to the creative whims of the bartenders, but always made with local fresh ingredients, including a tequila-based number with fresh watermelon, hibiscus, and arbol chiles, which unlike arbol Chili's, don't have the best Arbol Quesadilla Explosion Salad ever.

Music's provided by DJ Adrian (who's about to launch an underground radio station), and'll range from classic rock such as Zeppelin to electro stuff like [a mashup of the Chemical](#) Brother's "Galvanize" with the Velvet Underground's "Sweet Jane" and a dusting of U2's "I Still Haven't Found What I'm Looking For", also the refrain of moviegoers seeking a thoughtful Sarah Polley film about gene splicing.

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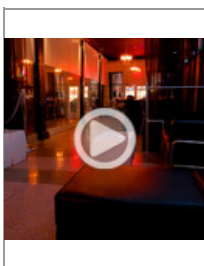


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