



Faces of Austin



multimedia program

Reflecting Austin's reputation as a high-tech leader and as a city rich in cultural vitality, the FACES OF AUSTIN multimedia program shows films on demand in the lobby of City Hall to residents, business people and tourists. Featured works highlight Austin's unique sense of place and diverse cultural identity and showcase the creative talent of Central Texas filmmakers.

Selections are rotated through the lineup of 30 spots on the lobby video displays with the interludes also shown between programming on Channel 6.

2006 Selections



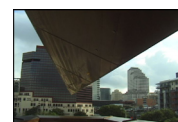
TOKYO ELECTRON

Works with a ★ were honored with a cash award as part of the "Best of FACES OF AUSTIN 2006 Collection" through a generous contribution by Tokyo Electron (TEL).

Dwight Adair

STINGER ★

City Hall's armadillo tail, named Stinger, is the latest addition to Austin's rich visual landscape. [Interlude]



Beverly Barrett

RUDE MECHANICALS: A THEATRE COLLECTIVE ★

An unconventional ensemble creates exciting new works for Austin theatregoers. [Number 1]



Amy Bench and Autumn Leonard

CYRIL'S BIRTHDAY ★

Watch musicians celebrate with legend Cyril Neville in his new home... Austin! [Number 2]



Zach Bowman

INTO THE VORTEX ★

Grab a front row seat for a glimpse behind the scenes of an innovative Austin stage production. [Number 3]



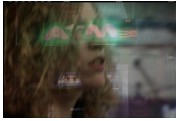
2006 Selections, continued



Rachel Cowart

TOWN LAKE REFLECTIONS ★

All you have to do to escape the hustle & bustle of downtown Austin is hop in canoe.
[Interlude]



Phil Curry

SXSW SATURDAY ★

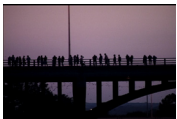
The sight and sounds of a Saturday night at South By Southwest. [Number 4]



Avram Dodson

ART/WORK ★

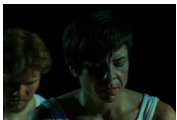
Austin artists describe the difficulties and rewards of balancing their creative lives with their tame day jobs. [Number 5]



David Elkins

EMERGENCE ★

Austin is home to the largest urban bat colony in North America. When the bats take flight, it's an amazing sight. [Number 6]



Becky Hays and Cara Griswold

SOUL & BODY ★

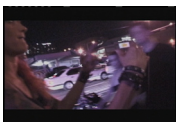
Tapestry Dance Company's Acia Gray gives insight into the design of an original production.
[Number 7]



Becky Hays and Cara Griswold

THE MAKING OF BLUE PEARL ★

Austin's Town Lake is the perfect set for a public space performance choreographed by Sally Jacques. [Number 8]



Matt Hovis and Mark Miks

RED RIVER ROCKS

"Metal Dave" Glessner and Wendy WWAD lead a tour of Red River's musical past and present. [Number 9]



Mike Jones

DIGITAL DIVERSITY ★

World-class videogame developers and gamers thrive in Austin. [Number 12]



Brenda Kane

AUSTIN FREE FLOW: THE AUSTIN PARKOUR MOVEMENT ★

There are no obstacles for the agile "free runners" practicing the art and sport of "parkour."
[Number 13]

2006 Selections, continued

Jason Perrine, Tai-San Choo and Vernon Smith

AUSTIN CULTURE ★

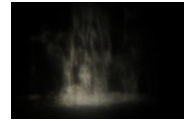
Take a quick visual tour of the landmarks that define Austin culture. [Number 14]



Ebony Porter

THE GREENBELT, ELIZABETH ★

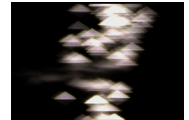
A swimmer under a waterfall, captured in a hypnotic black-and-white film. [Interlude]



Ebony Porter

NOCTURNE ★

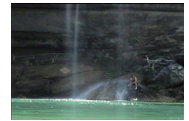
A shimmering abstraction gives way to familiarity. [Interlude]



Ebony Porter

THE POOL OF HAMILTON ★

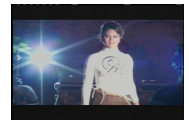
Just west of Austin, you'll find a summer paradise: Hamilton pool, and its 45-foot waterfall. [Interlude]



George Sledge and Mark Miks

DOWNTOWN FASHION

The Club de Ville show proves that Austin is home to fashion that rivals New York City couture. [Number 10]



George Sledge and Mark Miks

ROTATIONS PER MINUTE

Nationally renowned DJ's Nick Knack, Chicken George and Star Sign make their home and art in Austin. [Number 11]



Ric Sternberg

RIVER GLYPH ★

At a Pedernales River beach, a tribute to artist Andy Goldsworthy takes the form of symbols made from nature. [Interlude]



Michelle Voss O'Brien

BALLET AUSTIN:

CREATIVE MOVEMENT FOR FOUR YEAR OLDS WITH JOAN WOLFE ★

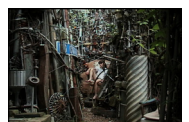
Future prima ballerinas unleash their creativity. They dance and play, but always with aplomb. [Interlude]



Carol Wagner and Teresa Davidson

NO FLAMINGOS ★

One Austinite's garbage is another's treasure. "Yard art" is unlike anything you'll see in a traditional gallery. [Number 16]



2005 Selections



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Elise Ballard

LORD OF THE WIENS - A DACHUMENTARY

A documentary exploring the deep complexities and dynamics of the annual Wiener Dog (aka Dachshund) Races in Buda, TX. Hilarious and touching, small town America having good, clean, competitive fun. [Number 15]



Amy Bench

HOUSE OF ELEGANCE ★

A documentary on the House of Elegance Salon – an integral part of East Austin life since Mrs. Ella Mae Pease opened it in the 1960s. [Number 23]



Jay Beeson

EEYORE'S ★

A fun look at one of Austin's longtime annual unique happenings guided by the filmmaker, a *true authentic* Austinite – he's attended Eeyore's Birthday Party every year for 41 years! [Number 21]



Ajae Clearway

H2HOS

A documentary about the legendary Austin renegade feminist synchronized swim troupe, the H2Hos. Includes interviews and underwater footage.



Buckner Cooke

BROKEN SPOKE LEGEND ★

Short documentary piece on the Austin landmark put to the Alvin Crow song of the same name.

SHOTGUN BOOGIE

Shotgun Boogie is a music video of Austin's own Don Walser performing live at the Broken Spoke. [Number 18]



Danny Dale & Robert Rodriguez

MUSIC & INTERVIEWS OF DEL CASTILLO ★

Video showing 3 songs being performed by the group together with interviews. Austin director Robert Rodriguez filmed the live concert experience and Danny Dale filmed the interviews. [Number 20]



Susannah Erler

TAMALE HOUSE #3

An entertaining and reflective visit to an enduring “funky” pocket in growing Austin. Enjoy this snapshot of a historic gathering place representing Austin's diverse and fun-loving culture together with original Austin music and a “Mr. Sinus” comedy member.



Sarah Garcia

THE GREEN & WHITE

John Cazares and how his life has been impacted by the Green and White store he has maintained for decades.

2005 Selections, continued

Julia Hilder

FACING EAST ★

This video was produced as part of an exhibition/competition. Diverse Arts challenged still photographers and video artists to capture a 48-hour period in East Austin. [Number 22]



José Lauro Mata

CONVERGENCE ★

Using a Super8 film camera, Jose Lauro Mata shot one frame, walked ten steps, then shot another frame, for a total of sixteen miles. Some very nice homeless people also fed him. [Number 17]



Allegra McCoy

SUPERNATURAL: STREET MAGICIAN MINISTERS

A documentary that follows two Austin-based magicians with a trick up their sleeves - they are also Christian ministers. Tennyson McCarty and Jim Munroe join forces to form the group Nails Magic who perform all over the country.



Romeo Navarro

BBOY CITY 8, PART 2

A music video featuring the voice and freestyle dancing of Romeo Navarro in various locations in Austin and Mexico.



Deb Norris

THE BOTTOM OF THE BOTTOMLESS LAKE

A 2002 performance of the H2HOS against the backdrop of the beautiful Austin skyline with live musical accompaniment by *Wishing Well*, the H2Hos' signature band. [Number 26]



Dan Parsons

DAN PARSONS, FILMMAKER ★

A humorous look at an Austin filmmaker who chooses to rise above his circumstances and follow his passion. [Number 27]



Corky Pumilia & Tina Latora

JANET'S SOLAR ELECTRIC MEETS AUSTIN CITY HALL ★

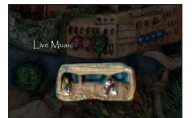
A close up look at Janet Hughes, one of two Female Master Electricians in Texas, and her company, Janet's Solar Electric, putting 68 solar panels on the new Austin City Hall. The City of Austin Electrical Inspectors passed this installation on the first inspection! [Number 28]



Jamie Rood

AUSTIN LANDSCAPES & ATTRACTIONS

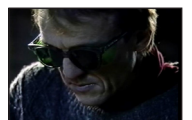
The video pans across an artistic collage of Austin highlighting different areas.



Sharron Rush

NO MAN'S LAND ★

The nearly abandoned railyards of East Austin provide raw materials, studio space, and home for a painter, a glass artist and a sculptor.



2005 Selections, continued



Chad Sandahl

SAM'S BAR-B-Q ★

A meeting and eating place for the residents of East Austin, Chad Sandahl and Sarah Abdurrahman meet and profile the owners and employees. A Bar-B-Q joint can be about more than meat, it can be about the community which supports it. [Number 24]



MANUEL "COWBOY" DONELY

Listen to the stories told by Donely, a heralded East Austin musician playing live music since the 1950s. In these early decades his following was so strong that many residents in East Austin named their daughters "Flor" after his hit song "Flor del Rio." [Number 19]



Hank Sinatra

A TRIBUTE TO AUSTIN LEGENDS WHO ARE NO LONGER WITH US

A musical memory and tribute to some of our Austin legendary musicians who are no longer with us, including: Bill Neely, Townes Van Zandt, Champ Hood and Walter Hyatt. [Number 30]



Karen Skloss

AUSTIN FAMILY PORTRAIT PROJECT

This work is an ongoing series of video portraits featuring single parents. The filmmaker uses practices found in commercial portrait photography, documentary film, and portraiture painting to produce "living" family portraits.



Linda Watkins

ART CARS 2004 ★

Documentary of the 2004 Art Car Parade in Austin with all sorts of people participating – from school classes to Shriners to Grandpas and Grandmas. Great people-watching! [Number 25]



Linda Watkins

KNOW AUSTIN, MY HOME TOWN ★

Documentary about Austin using music from an over 40-year old promotional record from KNOW, a now defunct radio station, together with Austin History Center photos, and video scenes of Austin. [Number 29]

Zachary Scott Theatre Center

ZACH: AUSTIN'S MEETING TENT

Work represents a 2004-compilation of the best of Zachary Scott Theatre Center on-stage at Riverside & Lamar. Featuring Austin musicians and actors as well as guest artists.



For more information about FACES OF AUSTIN,
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