

Austin Area Museums



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Austin Children's Museum. Interactive exhibits for children. 201 Colorado St. 512-472-2499, www.austinkids.org

Austin Museum of Art. Exhibits include an array of 20th-century and contemporary art and educational programs. AMOA-Laguna Gloria offers intimate art exhibits and sculptures and gardens. 823 Congress Ave. 512-495-9224; Laguna Gloria, 3809 W. 35th St. 512-458-8191, www.amoa.org.

Austin Nature and Science Center. Nonprofit community center provides nature exhibits and natural science education resources. 301 Nature Center Drive. 512-327-8181, www.ci.austin.tx.us/ansc.

Bastrop County Historical Society Museum. Occupies the John Cornelson House, built in 1850. 702 Main St., Bastrop. 512-303-0057.

Blanton Museum of Art. Offers traveling exhibitions, programs and activities and a permanent collection of more than 17,000 worldwide works. Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard at Congress Avenue. 512-471-7324, blantonmuseum.org.

Bob Bullock Texas State History Museum. 'The Story of Texas' museum offers exhibits, theaters, films and interactive computer displays. 1800 N. Congress Ave. 512-936-8746, www.thestoryoftexas.com.

Capitol Visitors Center. Exhibits and videos on the Capitol and Texas history, plus travel information and gift shop. 112 E. 11th St. 512-305-8400 www.texascapitolvisitorscenter.com.

The Dolph Briscoe Center for American History. A collections library and archives, as well as a museum that facilitates research and sponsors programs about the historical development of the United States. Sid Richardson Hall, Unit 2, University of Texas campus. 512-495-4518, www.cah.utexas.edu.

Elisabet Ney Museum. The restored former Austin studio of the 19th-century sculptor houses a collection of her works. 304 E. 44th St. 512-458-2255, www.ci.austin.tx.us/elisabetney.

French Legation Museum. A historic residence built in 1840-1841 for the chargé d'affaires who represented France in the Republic of Texas. Guided tours are available. 802 San Marcos St. 512-472-8180, www.frenchlegationmuseum.org.

George Washington Carver Museum. African American neighborhood history museum features artifacts, community-related photographs, oral histories, videos and archival materials. 1165 Angelina St. 512-974-4926, www.ci.austin.tx.us/carver.

Georgetown Firefighters Museum. Displays modern and vintage firefighting equipment. 103 W. Ninth St., Georgetown. 512-930-3473.

Governor's Mansion. Built in 1856, it is the oldest continuously occupied executive residence west of the Mississippi River. The mansion had been closed to public tours for renovation when it was damaged by fire in June 2008. 1010 Colorado St. www.txfgm.org.

Harry Ransom Humanities Research Center. Rotating exhibits can be seen at the center; permanent displays include a Gutenberg Bible and the first photograph. 21st and Guadalupe streets. 512-471-8944, www.hrc.utexas.edu.

LBJ Library and Museum. Presidential library of Lyndon B. Johnson. 2313 Red River St. 512-721-0200, www.lbjlib.utexas.edu.

Mexic-Arte Museum. Fine-arts museum featuring traditional and contemporary Mexican, Latino and Latin American work. 419 Congress Ave. 512-480-9373, www.mexicnartemuseum.org.

Museum of the Weird. 412 E. Sixth St. www.museumoftheweird.com.

National Museum of the Pacific War. Featuring the Admiral Nimitz Museum, Memorial Courtyard, Japanese Garden of Peace and Pacific Combat Zone as well as relics from World War II, programming and special events. 340 E. Main St., Fredericksburg. 830-997-4379, www.nimitz-museum.org.

Neill-Cochran House Museum. Greek Revival limestone mansion built in 1855. 2310 San Gabriel St. 512-478-2335, www.neill-cochranmuseum.org.

O. Henry Museum. Cottage home of short-story writer William Sydney Porter (whose pen name was O. Henry) and his family from 1893 to 1895. Museum displays many of the writer's belongings. 409 E. Fifth St. 512-472-1903, www.ci.austin.tx.us/parks/ohenry.htm.

Palm House Museum. Features exhibits on Round Rock history and its Swedish roots. 212 E. Main St., Round Rock. 512-255-5805.

Pioneer Farms. Outdoor living history museum re-creates life in the 1800s. 10621 Pioneer Farms Drive. 512-837-1215, www.pioneerfarms.org.

Republic of Texas Museum. Daughters of the Republic of Texas collection focuses on the Republic of Texas period. Includes children's area and restored 1936 centennial dioramas. 510 E. Anderson Lane. 512-339-1997, www.drt-inc.org.

Texas Memorial Museum. Permanent natural history exhibits include dinosaur bones, rocks, gems, minerals and Texas wildlife. University of Texas campus, 2400 Trinity St. 512-471-1604, www.utexas.edu/tmm/.

Texas Military Forces Museum. History of Texas military from the Texas Revolution to the present with inside and outdoor exhibits. Camp Mabry, 2200 W. 35th St. 512-782-5659, www.texasmilitaryforcesmuseum.org.

Texas Music Museum. Artifacts, documents and reference material on diverse traditions of Texas music. 1009 E. 11th St. 512-472-8891, www.texasmusicmuseum.org.

Umlauf Sculpture Garden & Museum. More than 130 works by Charles Umlauf. 605 Robert E. Lee Road. 512-445-5582, www.umlaufsculpture.org.

Williamson Museum. Rotating exhibits cover the area's history, rich culture and heritage of the area. 716 S. Austin Ave., Georgetown. 512-943-1670, www.williamsonmuseum.org.

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