



# Austin Area

## July Thru September Calendar of Events 2008



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### July

#### On the Road with the Beats

Feb 5, 2008 - Aug 3, 2008

This exhibition takes visitors on a journey through the cities, landscapes, and communities that fostered and shaped the most important works of the Beat Generation, from the early 1940s to the mid-1960s.

#### Bat Watching

Apr 1, 2008 - Nov 1, 2008

The 1.5 million Mexican free-tailed bats that live beneath the Congress Avenue Bridge take flight in a mass exodus each night at dusk.

#### KGSR's Unplugged At the Grove

Apr 12, 2008 - Sep 27, 2008

Join acoustic musicians each Thursday at Shady Grove for "Unplugged at the Grove", The restaurant's tree-shaded patio showcases Austin's diverse music scene with such acts as Bob Schneider, Patrice Pike and the South Austin Jug Band.

#### Flying Theater Machine's Story Soup

Jun 1, 2008 - Jul 20, 2008

Interactive theater for children ages 4-10. Improv for kids and their parents.

#### Fourth of July Fireworks & Symphony

Jul 4, 2008 - Jul 4, 2008

The Austin Symphony hosts an annual concert of patriotic music that culminates in a spectacular

fireworks display over Town Lake.

#### ZACH Theatre presents THE CLEAN HOUSE

Jul 10, 2008 - Aug 17, 2008

ZACH Theatre presents the Austin premiere of "The Clean House." Written by one of the most original new voices in American theatre, this 2005 Pulitzer Prize winner is a quirky and moving comedy about love, loss and the power of a good joke.

### August

#### Austin Summer Boat Show

8/1-3/2008

The huge Annual Austin Boat Show features over 20 dealers and 200 booths and is coming again to the Convention Center. Fun for the whole family!

#### Austin Ice Cream Festival

Aug 16, 2008 - Aug 16, 2008

This free event will include games, activities, contests, live entertainment and ice cream.

#### Austin Chronicle Hot Sauce Festival

Aug 24, 2008 - Aug 24, 2008

Join amateurs and pros alike as they compete their hottest sauces in a taste-off. With categories for individuals, restaurants and commercial bottlers, there are plenty of hot sauces for festival-goers to sample. The festival also includes live music, popular Austin restaurant vendors and merchants from across the

Southwest selling cookbooks, fresh peppers, and chili pepper memorabilia.

#### Bat Fest

Aug 30, 2008 - Aug 31, 2008

Austin Bat Fest celebrates all things "batty" with food, drink and entertainment. Activities include a "bat wing" eating contest, bat watching and bat education, carnival rides, bridge bungee jumping and more.

### September

#### Austin City Limits Music Festival

Sep 26, 2008 - Sep 28, 2008

As one of the country's top music events, the ACL Music Festival has a reputation for bringing the world's top artists to Austin to rock eight stages.

#### Play It By Ear

Jan 19, 2008 - Sep 14, 2008

Come explore the art and science of tinkering with sound in our new feature exhibit. Bring to life artworks created by sound artists. Make your own sound art. Experiment with echoes. Change your voice to sound like a robot. This exhibit takes a creative, playful approach to learning all about sound production and reception. Time: T-Sat, 10am-5pm; W, 5pm-8pm \$1 donation; Sun, noon-5pm; 4pm-5pm free.

#### Pecan Street Fall Arts Festival

09/20-21/2008

Arts and crafts from some 250

artists. Great food and drink with live music on five stages by local Austin entertainers.

Events taken from the Austin Convention & Visitors Bureau