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#### Mind the Gap

Due to the holidays, the *Chronicle* was sent to the printer on Monday night but will be distributed on its usual Thursday morning schedule. Apologies in advance if we missed some news in the interim.





#### **ONLINE THIS WEEK**

**DAY TRIPS AROUND TEXAS:** Capt. Day Trips Gerald McLeod reports on the reopening of San Solomon Springs Courts in Balmorhea after an eight-year closure, the addition of Texas' 40th historic site in Slaton, and lots more news from around the state as well as travel destinations for 2025.

A NEW TRIAL FOR CARMEN MEJIA?: Brant Bingamon writes about Carmen Mejia, who was convicted of the murder of a baby in her care and sentenced to life in prison with parole. The Innocence Project argues her conviction was based on junk science.

**VERDE & BLACK LOCK IN 2025 SCHEDULE:** Austin FC announced its MLS regular season schedule, kicking off Feb. 22 at home against Kansas City. It'll mark the first of 34 matches set for 2025 and the first to be helmed by new head coach Nico Estévez.

**DO NOT SUFFER INFERIOR BUBBLES:** Wes Marshall explains the difference between Champagne and all the other sparkling wines, plus recommends affordable options and ones worth splashing out for.

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# **VOTING STARTS NEXT WEEK** IN THE AUSTIN CHRONICLE'S 2024-25 MUSIC POLL CapMetro STAY TUNED

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#### **COMPLETELY UNKNOWN**

Dear Editor

For some time I have been annoyed by how lame the movie coverage has become in the Chronicle. A lot of new releases are not even being reviewed it seems. But the worst is today's issue (12/20), which does not even mention or list anywhere in the film section the new Bob Dylan biopic. A Complete Unknown. It's opening 12/24 at the Metropolitan and the Alamo Drafthouse and possibly more. It's listed on their websites, but you'd never know it from the Chronicle's listings. This movie has gotten rave reviews everywhere and Timothée Chalamet will surely get an Oscar nomination if early reports are accurate. Come on, guys! You can do better. Jennifer Dinger

Editor Kim Jones responds: You can find our review of A Complete Unknown on p.44. (Spoiler: not a rave.)

#### **COAL FOR LD'S STOCKING**

Dear Editor.

Want to agree with letter to the editor last week about luv doctor ["The Luv Doc Makes Me [sic]," Feedback, ]. I used to luv him but he is veering too far and too often from relationships.

Linda Craig

#### YOU'RE SUCH A DISEASE

Dear Editor

Trumpism is a boil manifesting the underside of American democracy.

Like a bacterial infection, Trumpism entered our damaged body politic. Fed by disgruntled Americans. this dangerous strain was now poised to attack not only our vulnerable institutions, but our basic values.

Veterans and the disabled were mocked. Vaccine deniers often died. Children were separated from their parents. Pregnant women were (are) suddenly in danger.

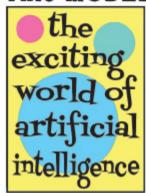
Biden attempted a cure. He honored the military, supported science, created jobs and shored up the middle class, but his efforts can be compared to putting warm compresses on a festering boil.

Sometimes, lancing is the only cure even if the stench may be overwhelming. Perhaps that will be the function of Trump's second term. Finally, the pus and dead tissue will drain, exposing the inhumane damage caused by Trump's policies.

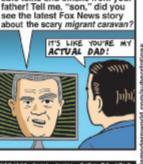
As more people suffer, as the elderly lose Social Security, as the hypocrisy of Christians-in-name-only comes to light. America may finally treat this potentially fatal wound and begin to heal.

Lancing may not be enough. Like boils that must be treated with antibiotics, America must finally wash away the misogyny, racism, and xenophobia that continues to threaten its lofty ideals.

Barbara Chiarello







by TOM TOMORROW

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#### **HEADLINES**

#### MORE BILLIONAIRE BUDDIES: Donald Trump's pick for U.S. ambassador to Italy? Houston billionaire Tilman Fertitta, owner of

the Houston Rockets and Landry's restaurant group and a donor to Greg Abbott. Fertitta also hosted a fundraiser for Trump at his Post Oak Hotel in Houston this year, The Texas Tribune reports. Fertitta's great-great-uncles emigrated from Sicily to Galveston, where they operated a nightclub which doubled as an illegal casino. Previously, Abbott appointed Fertitta to the University of Houston System Board of Regents, and Fertitta has been chair of the board for a decade.

#### **BUILD THE WALL FULL OF HOLES:** Is

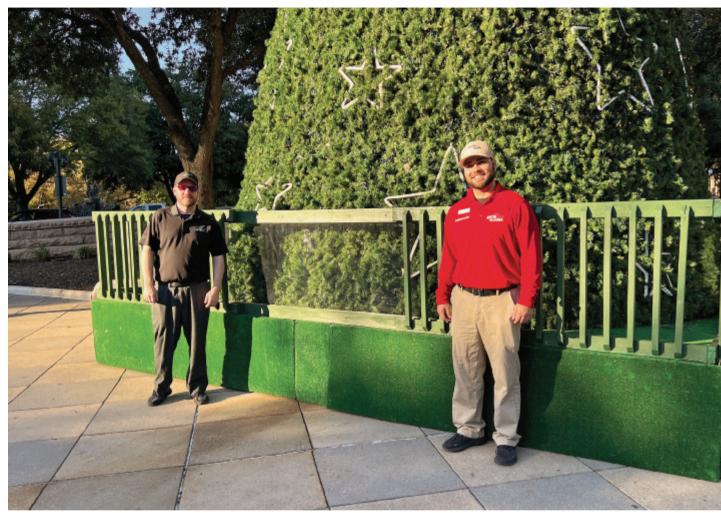
a wall a wall if there are big holes in it? The Chronicle would argue no, and using that standard, the \$3 billion that Texas taxpayers have shelled out for Gov. Greg Abbott's border fantasy have been completely wasted. A first-time analysis by The Texas Tribune finds that the fewand-far-between segments of the wall Abbott promised in 2021 have been built in remote areas, leaving huge gaps in between. Turns out, many landowners have refused to let the wall be built on their properties. Next up, Tribune reporters: Find out which builders got the contracts and if they kicked anything back to Abbott.

#### **AUCTIONING OFF THE BORDER**

WALL: And, of course, the border-obsessed Republican Party continues to find more ways to get pissed about the wall. This week's outrage concerns a claim by Lt. Gov. Dan Patrick that President Joe Biden is auctioning off materials intended for construction of the border wall "for pennies on the dollar." The auction Patrick referred to was ordered by Congress last year and, according to The Texas Tribune, much of the material has already been purchased with Texas tax dollars. Nonetheless. Trump referred to the auction as "almost criminal" - meaning, it's not criminal?



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Taylor Sole (left) and Erik Mendoza of the Downtown Austin Alliance

PHOTO BY BENTON GRAHAM

### **SOMETHING IN THE WAY** THEY MAINTAIN DOWNTOWN

Seeing Downtown through the eyes of Austin's caretakers by benton graham

When Erik Mendoza visits other cities he has to stop himself from picking up litter off the sidewalks. That's what happens when you've been a Downtown Austin Alliance ambassador for eight years, "Our motto is, 'No one walks by litter," he said.

In recent years, the folks in red shirts who clean the sidewalks, give directions to tourists, and paint over graffiti have become a staple of Downtown Austin. The DAA, which contracts with a company called Block by Block for the program, launched the program in 2016 and now has around 90 ambassadors.

The ambassadors fall into different job buckets: hospitality, cleaning, special projects, and power washing. It also has representatives in green shirts at Waterloo Park and Republic Square, a Downtown safety team in fluorescent yellow, and one person on South Congress in a blue shirt.

I decided to tag along with Mendoza, an operations manager, as well as Taylor Sole, a general manager, to see what Downtown looks like from ambassadors' eyes.

#### **KEEP AUSTIN NICE**

From Seguin, Ruben Alvarado had been in an ambassador role as a cleaner for two months when we spoke. When he was in his

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## WAS TIRED OF LIVING WITH MY FIBROMYALGIA PAI

Fibromyalgia has been difficult to treat and even more difficult to understand, UNTIL NOW!

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If you're suffering from Fibromyalgia you understand this sentiment all too well. Local resident Lindsay K. found herself at a turning point when she noticed her diagnosis had started to take a toll on her marriage.

"I was angry all the time because of all the things I couldn't do anymore because of my fibromyalgia. That anger cycled through to depression and affected everyone around me - my husband more than anyone. It made our lives miserable."

Fibromyalgia affects the entire body, to make things complicated it affects everyones body a

little differently. To make things even more complicated, those effects can change on a daily basis. Sometimes you're plagued with wide-spread muscle pain and fatigue, and other days it's a headache and heightened sensitivity to touch.

"I could barely stand to have the light weight of bedsheets touching me, much less a hug from my husband," explains Lindsay.

This is what it's like to suffer from Fibromyalgia. Symptoms make everyday life incredibly difficult. Mundane, daily tasks are nearly impossible.

And too often, these symptoms are only made worse because practitioners find it difficult to understand and even more troublesome to treat. It's characterized by widespread pain in muscles, and tissues rather than inflammation of the joints, muscles and tissues.

Then your primary care doctors suggest dietary changes, pain liniments and prescription medications to the point where your life is no longer ruled by Fibromyalgia. It's now ruled by a difficult routine and pill regimen that are suppose to aid in avoiding flare ups.

Lindsay put it this way. "My life was no longer my own" Eventually Lindsay did her own research and discovered that acupuncture can Improve the quality of life in Fibro patients. Determined to find the best in the business, she discovered Rosedale Acupuncture & Wellness Center lead by Dr. Lucas Brown LAc DAOM who has been successfully treating difficult to manage, chronic pain cases for over a decade.

"I feel like a new person. My husband comes with me to my appointments. He spends most of it thanking Dr. Lucas for giving him back the woman he married. And for the first time since we moved here, one of my neighbors told me I looked good! It's a miracle he treated my Fibro, I don't know how else to explain it."

He uses the time-tested science of acupuncture and integrates it with modern medical advancements that expedite healing and recovery. Acupuncture works by reducing inflammation, stimulating the release of endorphins and offers much needed, effective symptom relief for Fibromyalgia.

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If you're looking for a doctor and a practice who not only understands your diagnosis but also has a proven solution for chronic pain, look no further than Rosedale Acupuncture & Wellness, Lindsay describes the clinic almost as enthusiastically as she does their treatments. "I love it here!"

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#### HEADLINES CONTINUED

#### AG SUES OVER TRANS ATHLETES:

Speaking of wasting our goddamn money: Ken Paxton continues to flush taxpayer dollars down the toilet to spread trans hate. The AG announced on Sunday (right in time for Christmas!) that he is suing the National Collegiate Athletic Association for violating the Texas Deceptive Trade Practices Act, accusing the group of allowing transgender women to participate in events marketed as women's competitions.

#### **GOVERNMENT STILL GOVERNING.**

WOOHOO: Congress avoided a government shutdown at pretty much the last minute Friday. The House was set to pass a continuing resolution last week to keep the government open until March in a bipartisan deal, but some Republicans hated the plan, and then least-favorite-Austinite Elon Musk tweeted that the package was no good. Trump was against it, too, and within 24 hours, the resolution was dead. The passed spending package includes financial aid for farmers and money for recent natural disasters.

#### **DEATH SENTENCES COMMUTED:**

Speaking of the orange monstrosity, you may recall that Trump went on a killing spree at the end of his term in 2020, pushing the executions of several people on the federal prison system's death row, the first such executions in decades. To stop him from killing more, President Joe Biden commuted the sentences of 37 of the 40 remaining federal death row prisoners.



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Downtown Austin Alliance ambassadors do a little Abbey Road action

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#### **AMBASSADORS** CONTINUED FROM P.8

early 20s, he frequented Downtown Austin. It was a big town, and he loved the music.

One time, he went Downtown to celebrate his cousin's 21st birthday. At the end of the night, Alvarado recalled that the group was ravenous. They got a pizza ... and promptly dropped the pizza on the street. When they woke up in their hotel room the next morning, their stomachs felt off. "What did we eat?" they asked each other. Then, they saw the pizza box covered in dirt and completely empty.

Alvarado moved to Austin 10 years ago. The job as an ambassador has given him a new perspective on Downtown. The bigness of it feels normal now. He's already seen Josh Brolin trying to secretly leave an event through a back alley. But the smaller side of Austin has been more interesting to him. He's been surprised by how much residents seem inclined to chat or roll up their sleeves and clean alongside him. "There's a lot of work for me to do, but there would be a lot more if people weren't so polite," he said.

#### **DREAM PANTS**

Sarah Marks also has a deep history with Austin. She was born in the city. In a Downtown where new skyscrapers seem to go up every other week, she said that Waterloo Park is one of the biggest changes that she's seen. Back in the 1980s and 1990s, she wasn't a big fan of Downtown. but it's grown on her – particularly since she became an ambassador six years ago. Now, if someone visits her from out of town she takes them to the 2nd Street District and then to Waterloo Park.

One of Marks' favorite things about the park is the Creek Show. Her favorite installation was the Dream Pants from 2022. "They had some that were on bikes, some that were crossing the river, some that were doing a picnic, one reading a book," she said. "That was pretty cool."

#### **BIGBELLIES**

Taylor Sole is new to town. When we spoke, he'd been living in Austin for 30 days, but he's been working with Block by Block for nine years. Like Mendoza, the job has infected the way Sole thinks about cities. "Oh my gosh, I haven't seen that kind of trash can before," he'll catch himself thinking.

The two main trash cans are Victor Stanley, which has an opening on the top. and Bigbelly, which has a handle and a foot press to open. The Bigbellies are less vulnerable to dumpster diving, but they have a lower capacity, Sole said. Downtown Austin mainly employs trash cans that look like Victor Stanleys.

#### FROM THE MEDICAL FIELD TO **WATERLOO PARK**

Much of VJ Durairaj's family works in the medical field. His brother is an ophthalmologist, his sister-in-law is in internal medicine. and his father was an orthopedic surgeon in San Antonio. Durairaj has his own medical story too. He was born three months early at 1 pound. He also previously worked as a certified nursing assistant.

But he decided to hang up his nursing career. He has been one of the ambassadors in a green shirt that takes care of Waterloo Park since January 2021. He said he enjoys talking to people who visit the park. "We just try to clean up the park and clean the restrooms," he said. "Make it nice for people to come back."

#### **ABOVE AND BEYOND**

Mendoza takes pride in how the ambassadors keep Downtown clean. "If you look around, you'd be pretty hard-pressed to find any stickers, posters, except Sixth Street. Sixth Street's a whole different beast," Mendoza told me as we stood at the corner of Sixth Street and Congress Avenue - what he calls the mecca of Downtown Austin.

As an operations manager, Mendoza's radio nickname is "Ops-1." Mind your feet if you hear "foxtrot" over their radios, as that is the code for feces.

After we traced some of the 120 blocks that the ambassadors cover, my phone calculates that I walked 1.72 miles during our tour, but I feared I was slowing down Mendoza, who often walks 10 miles on the job. "The first month your feet are just tore up, but after that, you just kind of get acclimated to it," he said.

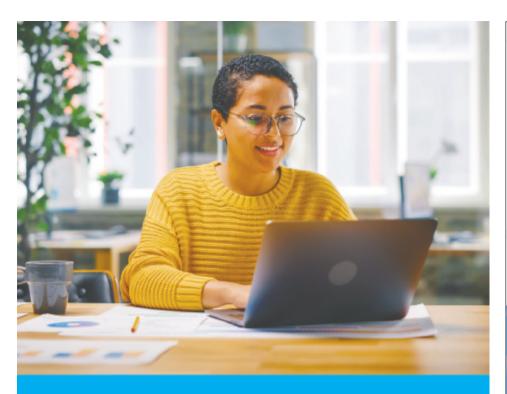
Born in Chihuahua, Mexico, Mendoza moved to a town in the Texas Panhandle called Dumas and eventually to Austin. He's now been in the city for 24 years. He has seen many of the different ambassador roles. including cleaner, safety, and parks.

Mendoza marveled at how the ambassadors go above and beyond their job descriptions. When Winter Storm Uri blanketed the city in snow and ice, the ambassadors were given the week off. But Mendoza, along with his manager at the time and a few other ambassadors, decided to come Downtown anyway. Mendoza didn't live far, so he borrowed his dad's truck and made the drive.

With ice picks, hammers, and other landscaping tools, they began to break up the ice that covered the sidewalks. By the end of the day, the group of eight ambassadors had cleared about 30 blocks, Mendoza estimated. For Mendoza, that day was representative of the spirit of ambassadors. "Nine times out of 10, if we have the tools to do it. we're gonna step up."

#### "There's a lot of work for me to do, but there would be a lot more if people weren't so polite."

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NONSTOP FLIGHTS IN 2025: What flight options will we have out of Austin in 2025? KUT's Nathan Bernier laid out changes in detail this week. A few new nonstop flights will be added to Jacksonville, Memphis, Milwaukee, and Reno. But the airport is expecting overall less passenger traffic. Internationally, Lufthansa is downgrading its service to Frankfurt with a smaller aircraft from March through August, and KLM Royal Dutch will continue flying to Amsterdam on a Boeing 787 Dreamliner.

#### HEY TEXAS. IT'S OKAY TO ACCEPT

**HELP:** The deadline for Texas to apply to participate in a federal food assistance program that gives families \$120 per school-aged kid to buy groceries in the summer is coming up Jan. 1, and Texas hasn't done its thing yet. Texas was one of 13 states that did not opt into the program in 2024, and advocates are concerned the state will miss out on hundreds of millions of dollars for the second year in a row, KUT reports.

#### **BACKING PENNYBACKER BRIDGE: City**

Council's cooking on a plan to improve access to the Pennybacker Bridge Overlook for years to come. To get more people enjoying one of the most bangin' views in Austin, Council members unanimously approved eminent domain proceedings to acquire a little more than an acre near the Loop 360 overlook for roughly \$167,186. This will become public parking, sidewalks, and trails to serve the overlook, the Austin Monitor reports.



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The district's budget problem will likely lead to school closures

ZEKE BARBARO (PHOTOS BY JANA BIRCHUM / GETTY IMAGES)

#### **Austin Public Schools May Need** to Consolidate. Trustees Áren't All Ready to Talk About It.

Candid ruminations on the possibility of school closures in AISD BY BRANT BINGAMON

You can definitely see the discomfort when Austin ISD Superintendent Matias Segura is hit with a question he'd rather not address. It doesn't happen often, but it did on Dec. 12, during a board of trustees meeting detailing the strategies the district is considering to reduce its \$92 million budget deficit.

AISD already cut \$30 million from last year's budget and the administration has identified another \$26 million to cut this year - all without laying off teachers or touching classroom instruction. At the meeting, interim CFO Katrina Montgomery presented ways to cut \$47 million more in fiscal year 2025-26. The strategies include allowing employees to work from home; reconfiguring bus routes; eliminating the district's many portable buildings; and re-negotiating contracts for special education services, among others.

Down at the end of the list of possibilities was an italicized phrase - Direct Impacts to Campuses. This was an oblique reference to the idea of closing and consolidating schools in poorer areas of town that have had declines in attendance as a result, in part, of gentrification. Such a consolidation last happened in 2019 and was traumatic for families and neighborhoods.

And Board President Arati Singh wanted to talk about it sooner rather than later. After Montgomery's presentation, she acknowledged that the idea of school closures was "super tricky, super political" but said that if closing schools is on the list she would like to see AISD begin discussions about it with the communities that might be affected, so the conversations would not have to be rushed and potential decisions could be nuanced.

"If we're going to have tough, tough decisions to make for that school year, I would love to hear from the community," Singh said. "And not just things like, 'Hey, don't cut this,' but like, 'Don't cut this, but we can live with this other thing if you want to cut that.' Like, I need to hear the alternatives, not just noes. For example, what would be worse? Would it be worse to reduce teacher planning periods, or would it be worse to consolidate some campuses? That's the kind of comparison that I really hope we elicit from the community, because eventually we are going to have to face questions like that. We can't avoid it."

Singh mentioned that in recent months she's heard from six community members who said they would be open to the idea of consolidating schools if it were done in a way that enhanced educational opportunities for neighborhood kids. She said a good beginning for the conversation would be to tour some of the district's new campuses, presumably including the Norman-Sims Elementary campus, one of the 2019 consolidations that is now considered a model of how to do it right.

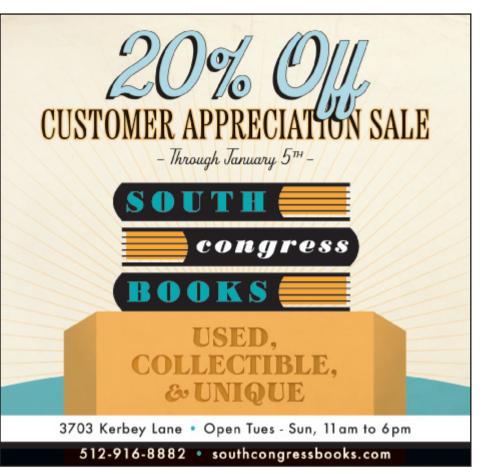
Segura mostly kept his head down during Singh's comments. After Trustee Noelita Lugo amplified them, he explained that the administration's lack of community engagement on the issue was intentional, that in his experience the introduction of that kind of topic, before exploring all other alternatives, risked undermining the budget-cutting process. "So I'm in a difficult spot here," he said, "because I'm trying to thread multiple needles and create a process that doesn't compromise our values but also acknowledges that if we don't find the \$20 or \$25 or \$30 million, then we have to go down this other path."

Fortunately, it's very possible, even likely, that Texas lawmakers will provide additional funding for the state's schools in the upcoming legislative session. So talking about closing and consolidating schools at this point could be not only counterproductive but unnecessary. However, after listening to the trustees over the last year, one gets the sense that consolidating schools is, on some level, inevitable. And it feels like the conversation is shifting from a place of reaction to one of proaction.

Following Segura's remarks, Trustee Candace Hunter picked up the thread, saying that consolidations can actually improve education, citing the success of Norman-Sims Elementary. "Norman-Sims, it didn't start out the best way but, boy, has it ended up a beautiful thing," she said. "So I'm just saying, listen to the community. ... If there's a community out there raising their hand and saying, 'We two [schools] think that we are really aligned,' let's listen."

Segura agreed that Norman-Sims has provided a case study in how to create a successful consolidation, something that could be helpful in the future. "Whenever we have that discussion, if we have to have it, I want to make sure that I can clearly communicate that this is what we observe to be the model for a successful kind of merger, and it usually has these ingredients, and then let the conversation take place," he said. "I just don't necessarily feel comfortable at this point getting into the middle of it."

And with that he let out a sigh and stated the obvious: "You're stressing me out right now."





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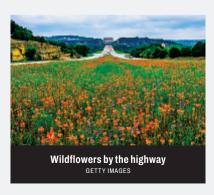
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**EVERYTHING'S (STILL GETTING) BIGGER IN TEXAS:** Texas' population grew by a little more than half a million people between July 2023 and July 2024, per census estimates. That puts the state population at more than 31 million. Though growth among new residents coming from other states slowed, the overall population growth of 1.8% was still the third-highest in the country, behind Florida and the District of Columbia.

**AUSTIN DROPS TO 5TH BIGGEST:** Austin has dropped from fourth-most populated city in Texas to fifth, based on population estimates from July 1, 2023, and Jan. 1, 2024, which were published in the Texas Demographic Center's 2023 Population Estimates report. Fort Worth took the spot, growing 7.7%, compared to Austin's 2.6%, the Statesman reported.

LOCAL REAL ESTATE MARKET BASICALLY STEADY: Austin's "supernova" growth period looks to be over, but real estate experts and developers expect Central Texas to remain a desirable location in 2025, per Urban Land Institute's report called "Emerging Trends in Real Estate 2025." The report found a lower than ideal completions-to-household formation ratio, which signals undersupply. Meanwhile, we seem to have an oversupply of office space, as the local office market faces the same kind of slowdown observed in other large metros.

WHAT'S WITH THOSE FLAGS ALONG MOPAC?: They're not an art installation, unfortunately, but they will become something beautiful ... eventually. If you've noticed the rows of pink and blue flags along MoPac southbound in North Austin, KVUE reports that they are markers placed by the Texas Department of Transportation to identify wildflower seedlings the transportation agency has planted as part of a series of landscaping projects underway throughout parts of Central Texas.





Robert Roberson with his daughter, Nikki

COURTESY OF ROBERT ROBERSON

#### **Paxton Blocks Death Row Inmate** From Testifying at Capitol

A.G. says reps won't compromise; committee chair says he's lying by Brant BINGAMON

Republican State Rep. Jeff Leach, a member of the Texas House's Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence, predicted two months ago that Attorney General Ken Paxton would find a way to silence death row inmate Robert Roberson, to keep him from telling his story to lawmakers at the Capitol, Last week, Paxton did just that.

Roberson had been scheduled to appear before the committee on Dec. 20 to assert his innocence in the 2002 death of his 2-year-old daughter, Nikki. Paxton filed a motion the day before, on Dec. 19, claiming the subpoena the committee issued to force the Texas Department of Criminal Justice to bring Roberson to the Capitol was invalid. The motion allowed prison officials to ignore the subpoena.

Paxton's move deprived Roberson and his supporters of a high-profile forum to argue that the scientific theory used to convict him at trial - shaken baby syndrome - is now regarded as junk science. It deprived the House committee of an opportunity to discuss the ineffectiveness of the state's junk science law, which is supposed to, but almost never does, provide new trials to people like Roberson, who are convicted on the basis of science that is later reevaluated.

Though Roberson did not appear, the committee hearing went on as scheduled with Leach and the committee's chair, El Paso Democrat Joe Moody, excoriating Paxton for his manipulation of the law. Moody recounted Paxton's claim that the committee had failed to compromise with TDCI on Roberson's appearance by, for example, allowing it to occur by Zoom.

"This is a lie," Moody said. "We have been attempting to try to find an accommodation since October, and they have never responded to anything meaningfully, because they don't want to have Robert here."

In his motion, Paxton requested a hearing on the matter on Jan. 13, one day before the current jurisprudence committee disbands and its members are re-selected by House leadership for the upcoming legislative session. Moody said the timing demonstrates that the A.G. is trying to run out the clock so that the public never hears Roberson's story straight from his lips, a story his advocates believe would be moving and persuasive. Both Moody and Leach insisted they will continue working to bring him to the Capitol, no matter what changes happen to the jurisprudence committee.

"Something that really struck me in the A.G.'s filing was their line about bringing [Roberson] to the seat of 'our' state government," Moody said, emphasizing "our."

"Here's a fact: It's his state government, just as much as it's ours, just as much as it's anybody's in Texas. Our laws have affected [Roberson] as deeply as they can affect anyone, and it's our job here in this building to make sure they're fair and just and work as intended. That job is far from over on this issue, and we don't intend to leave it undone."

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STATE REP. JOE MOODY, WHO CHAIRS THE TEXAS HOUSE'S COMMITTEE ON CRIMINAL JURISPRUDENCE

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- JAMES RENOVITCH



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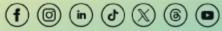












# THE AUSTIN CHRONIC BY KEVIN CURTIN

# Texas' Hemp Industry Wants Smarter Regulation. Dan Patrick Wants to Nuke It.

I often find myself making a face. I'm at some gas station gazing into a display case of weird loophole-weed products: random prerolls of unknown origin festering unsealed in a display box; edibles with cringey packaging advertising ludicrous potency like "420MG PER GUMMY;" vape cartridges containing God-knows-what with branding aimed at 14-vear-old Fortnite players: and products with an alphabet soup of minor cannabinoid distillates like THC-M, THC-P, CB9-A. Disgustedly, I mutter something like. "Jesus, I'd rather smoke embalming fluid." If there's a problem, this shit is it.

And I don't know who the target market is for these creepy corner-store cannabis products, but it's definitely not adult stoners. Weed lovers, like wine snobs, are painfully discerning people. We like organic products, accurate strain information, and assurances against contaminants like heavy metals or residual solvents. As such, even on the "black market," self-regulation exists because the customers are picky know-it-alls. So this is one thing I agree with conservative Texas politicians on: Those C-store THC products are alarming.

With Texas' legislative session looming, the first since psychoactive hemp became mainstream, there's been broad agreement amongst cannabis advocates that this Wild West market needs some level of regulation - such as age restrictions, packaging standards, and testing requirements. But doing so in a way that supports the small businesses selling quality hemp-derived products while eliminating the irresponsible retail of underresearched synthetic substances - well, that would require a great deal of nuance.

Enter Lt. Gov. Dan Patrick, a man not known for nuance. On Dec. 4. he issued a statement pushing for a ban on all THC. The bulletin introduced Senate Bill 3, purportedly sponsored by Charles Perry of Lubbock, and began with an alarmist subhead: "Thousands of Stores Have Opened to Sell All Types of Dangerous Products with Unlimited THC. These Stores Even Target Your Children." That message seemingly conflates corner stores with the many smoke shops that have flourished on the

profitability of hemp. In reality, smoke shops in Texas require you to be 21 to enter.

Of course the most amusing line in the press release was Patrick asserting that some products contained "three to four times the THC content which might be found in marijuana purchased from a drug dealer," which raised eyebrows because A) it sounds like he's recommending "drug dealers" as a safer alternative and B) "drug dealers" are people who sell meth and heroin; the correct parlance is "weed plug."

While Patrick projected "overwhelming support" for the bill, one notable Texas Republican seemed to guestion the blanket ban of THC. Agricultural Commissioner Sid Miller reacted to the legislative initiative on X, stating: "Not everyone is on the same page on this. The GOP needs to find some consensus instead of constantly running in opposite directions. We know what the polls say. It's time to support the will of Texans." In a follow-up post, Miller intimated his support for "letting sick folks have medicine."

Susan Hays, an attorney, political strategist, and cannabis advocate - who coincidentally ran against Sid Miller in the 2022 election - says she was unsurprised by the lieutenant governor's proposed THC ban.

"I was expecting it," she tells me. "But I think a lot of the community has had their heads in the sand. There were witnesses at the May and October [Senate Committee on State Affairs] hearings who kept digging their own graves and not understanding the gravity of what is facing the cannabis industry."

I asked Hays, who supports "a wellregulated cannabis industry with quality products," to outline possible outcomes for SB 3.

Scenario 1: The House Votes No. "I'm not convinced a total ban bill could even pass the House." Havs says. "I know Republicans in the House who are opposed to [SB 3] because they've heard from people who are using it medicinally and they can't access TCUP [Texas' medical cannabis program] or can't afford it, and it helps these people. If it doesn't pass the House, nothing changes. The black and gray markets rage on, and the really nasty stuff is still available everywhere."



Lt. Gov. Dan Patrick

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#### Scenario 2: Lawmakers Pass the Bill.

"If they get their 76 votes in the House and actually pass the bill, can they really enforce the law effectively? ... Take a look at the capacity of the forensic crime labs for testing THC potency. So the outcome is black and gray markets rage on."

#### Scenario 3: A Better Bill Emerges.

"The Legislature does some serious, thoughtful policymaking, studies what other states have done, and does what I call a 'middle ground bill' - a bill that allows true hemp extracts, but bans novel and synthetic, high-dose cannabinoids, then puts some funding into enforcement," Havs explains, "But that's only going to work if they vastly expand the TCUP program to meet the demands of consumers who find cannabinoids very helpful for what ails them. That's the only scenario where the black and gray markets don't explode."

The 2019 passage of HB 1325, which broadly legalized hemp, helped establish a variety of successful small businesses in Austin, many of which capitalized on trends of CBD, Delta 8, and THCA thereafter. Presently, prerolls of THCA flower are the top-selling product at many head shops and most smoke shops in Austin. And some of the most beautiful hemp you can get is grown locally.

Geremy Anderson is a licensed hemp grower who's built a successful business since launching in 2020. His legal, lab-tested THCA flower has won multiple statewide awards and four people make a living at his Geremy Greens farms. He says he understands legislator concerns about the low-integrity products people see at convenience stores.

"Those lawmakers have it right! They are marketing to kids and who the fuck knows what's in those products?" Anderson says. "But that would be the tragedy of this ban: Instead of letting the players who are setting the high standard for this industry show everyone the path with testing and monitoring and transparency, we're the ones who are gonna get our asses handed to us."

The really twisted part is that, if all forms of THC were banned, the corner stores that sold the sketchy stuff wouldn't go out of business - they make money on gas and cigarettes and beer - but the small businesses and smoke shops could be decimated.

When asked about the impact of a THC ban, Anderson directs concerns toward the individuals who purchase his hemp flower: customers who use it to replace addictive prescription medication; strangers who message him to tell him that his product saved their marriage.

But what would it mean for his business? "It would mean a hardship that is likely to be insurmountable," Anderson says. "If a ban does happen, there's a huge likelihood I'd just have to shut down and figure out how to do it in New Mexico or Oklahoma because four people's lives depend on this business.

"And I'm a special case." he continues. "You take some of these smoke shops that two-thirds of their business is THCA... they might as well not even open the next day because it's over. They are held up by four letters: THCA. If they take away this industry, 7,000 mom-and-pop businesses are gonna crash."

In the next edition of The Austin Chronic, we'll hear from smoke shop owners about how SB 3 would alter their existence.

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# What's Your **New Year's Eve?**

Plan your NYE to predict your new year's persona BY JAMES SCOTT

Wow: 2024 is basically over! What are you gonna do about it? If you're cool, you'll be at a New Year's Eve event that'll serve as a portent to your 2025. Saint that I am, I've sorted myriad NYE events around town into categories so you can choose the future you desire.

> Find more New Year's event listings on p.26. Note: Events sell out, so be sure to confirm times and ticket availability before you head out.

#### A YEAR OF FOODIE FRATERNIZING

Get your prix-fixe fix.

#### Kalimotxo

1813 E. Sixth

\$95 with à la carte menu available

#### Serenade **American Brasserie**

200 Lavaca, W Austin \$105

#### **Carpenters Hall**

400 Josephine St.

#### Canje 1914 E. Sixth







#### A YEAR OF QUEER CHEER

Whatever letter you're vibing with in the alphabet mafia, these are the places to be.

#### **Austin Roundup's New Year's Eve**

Austin Galano Club. 6809 Guadalupe St.

Feat. non-alcoholic bevvies and dancing. \$25 or free for set up/take down volunteers.

#### A Tuna Surprise! New Queer's Eve Day Show

Knomad Bar. 1213 Corona

Feat. the Tuna Helpers, St. Inky, Deceptaclown, Angel Fur, and Stanley Roy. Free. 3-8pm.

#### **Western Eleaance New Queer's Eve Party**

**Knomad Bar, 1213 Corona** 

Feat. the Side Saddles and Country Fried Danceree. Free.

#### NYE @ CUC

Cheer Up Charlies, 900 Red River St.

Feat. Orya, Dina, Dragonnqueen, Lidia Beatz, and Winona Grindr. \$17 with complimentary champers and a tequila shot at midnight.

#### **New Bear's Eve**

The Iron Bear, 301 W. Sixth

Feat. DJ Mike, Miss Good, and Chique Fil-Atio. Free. Champagne toast at midnight.

#### **Yearly White Party**

The Austin Eagle, 8201 Cross Park Dr.

Feat. DJ Tristan Jazz and DJ Marco. Free until 11pm.



#### A YEAR OF CLASSIC AUSTIN

This is the normie event of choice for a reason: It never loses its spark.

#### **Austin's New Year**

**Auditorium Shores** 

Feat. Third Eye Blind and a midnight fireworks display. Free



#### A YEAR OF **BODY SHAKING**

No more stagnant celebration: These events are all about getting down on the dance floor - or roller rink!

#### Swing in the New Year

Louis Shanks Furniture Store, 2930 W. Anderson

Feat, Dan Walton & the Night Owls, \$40-45 with a midnight sparkling cider toast.

#### **Player's Ball**

Sahara Lounge, 1413 Webberville Rd.

Feat. Body Rock ATX. \$20 with the option to add champagne for \$15.

#### **New Year's Eve Dance** Resolution

Austin Uptown Dance, 8868 Research

Feat. the Nash Hernandez Orchestra, hors d'oeuvres, and a midnight toast. Free.

#### **Totally Awesome '80s NYE Bash**

Austin Roller Rink, 11600 Menchaca Rd. #101

\$75 and BYOB.



#### A YEAR OF BRAT

No one told these venues and event organizers that brat summer is over, so settle in for another 365 days of Charli.

#### **BRAT NYE 2025**

Highland Lounge, 404 Colorado St.

\$20 or \$1,000-plus for the 365 Party Girl Package.

#### 360 NYE: A Very Brat, Not **Demure NYE Party**

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# Party Starts at Home

#### A New Year's Eve playlist for any occasion

#### BY CARYS ANDERSON

It's the biggest party night of the year – you've gotta start it on the right foot. Whether vou're getting dressed with the girls, downing a few shots at the pregame before the Uber arrives, or just taking it easy at home, these are the songs – made by Austin artists and international favorites alike guaranteed to make the last night of 2024 a good one.

Le Tigre - "Deceptacon"

Being Dead - "Muriel's Big Day Off"

Talking Heads - "Making Flippy Floppy"

Nuclear Daisies - "Honey in the Wound"

Caroline Polachek - "So Hot You're Hurting My Feelings"

Die Spitz - "Hair of Dog"

The B-52's - "Private Idaho"

Font - "Hev Kekulé"

Beyoncé - "CUFFIT"

Big Bill - "Poverty of Wires"

No Doubt - "Hey Baby"

Quentin Arispe - "Kunt"

Charli XCX - "365"

J'cuuzi - "You Can't Wallow With Us"

LCD Soundsystem - "Daft Punk Is Playing at My House"



Find this and other Austin Chronicle playlists on Spotify.



The homebodies among us have our own New Year's Eve ritual, and that's ringing in the new year with a binge watch.

Now, you could spend the night catching up with some of the year's best television. Say, prestige projects like FX's awards juggernaut **Shōqun**, or the arty, seductive **Ripley** (Netflix). How about an only-good-vibes show like the deliciously trashy **Rivals** (Hulu), rom-com **Nobody Wants This** (Netflix), or the (sadly axed) comic-fantasy-bodice ripper My Lady Jane (Prime)? Or perhaps a romping spy series like Mr. and Mrs. Smith (Prime) or Black Doves (Netflix)?

But maybe those shows sound so 2024, and you want to look to the future. That means a rewatch (or first watch) to ready you for 2025's returning shows.

#### Rogue Heroes (MGM+)

If you think World War II on TV is all played out, consider this roisterous action drama from Peaky Blinders creator Steven Knight. Broadly based on a book by Ben Macintyre, it follows the formation of a British Army's special forces unit given leave to go commando (to AC/DC needle drops, no less) in the North African campaign against Rommel. You can screen the six-part first season on Prime.

**RETURNS JANUARY 12** 

#### All Creatures Great and Small (PBS)

Also set during World War II is this gentle family drama about a veterinarian in the Yorkshire Dales. It's based on the beloved book series by James Herriot, and it's the television equivalent of a hot water bottle, cozy and warming. Donate to PBS to access to the first four seasons via the Passport app.

**RETURNS JANUARY 12** 

#### Severance (Apple TV+)

By the time the second season of this trippy workplace psychological thriller debuts, more than a thousand days will have passed since Severance's first season concluded. Admit it: You need a refresher on where we left the Innies, Outies, and those baby goats.

**RETURNS JANUARY 17** 

#### Mo (Netflix)

This autobiographical series (from Mo Amer and Ramy Youssef) about a Palestinian refugee in Houston was one of 2022's best comedies. The first season ended on a wild cliffhanger, Fellini meets Kafka along the Mexico border, and that's where the second (and final) season picks up.

**RETURNS JANUARY 30** 

#### Yellowjackets (Showtime)

You know those "People Also Ask" Al prompts that Google's feeding us now? Well, I just typed in "Yellowiackets" and apparently what people are asking is "Who is the girl eaten in the first episode of Yellowjackets?" So that should give you a pretty good idea if this dark drama - about a high school soccer team stranded in the wilderness when their plane goes down - is for you. Paramount+ subscribers get the early drop on Valentine's Day with the third season's first two episodes.

**RETURNS FEBRUARY 16** 

#### The White Lotus (HBO)

Do you really need to watch previous seasons of Mike White's resort-based, satirical murder mysteries? Not precisely - these are standalone stories - but season 1 masseuse Natasha Rothwell does return in the Thailand-set season 3 (alongside new cast members Walton Goggins, Parker Posey, Carrie Coon, Jason Isaacs, and Patrick Schwarzenegger), so that's a good enough excuse to go back to the well.

**RETURNS FEBRUARY 16** 

#### Daredevil (Disney+)

Honestly, Marvel Studios' TV output has been pretty terrible, but hope springs eternal, especially considering Daredevil: Born Again reassembles the same leads from the series that aired on Netflix from 2015-2018 - Charlie Cox as the titular lawyer-slash-masked vigilante and Vincent D'Onofrio as his nemesis, cueball Kingpin. Those episodes have all migrated to Disney+ now; be sure to nightcap with episode 8 from She-Hulk: Attorney at Law, for Matt and Jennifer's zingy, what-might-have-been flirtation.

**PREMIERES MARCH 4** 

# Make It a Mocktail Party

Recipes for a booze-free celebration BY REN LEIJA

Whether you're sober-curious or simply seeking a hangover-free way to celebrate the new year, an alcohol-free night doesn't have to mean a night free from festivities.

Paige Danoff, founder of Sober and Funky, knows firsthand the joy of creating imaginative, alcohol-free drinks. A former bartender and bar owner. Danoff now shares tips through Sober and Funky after becoming sober in 2015, with the mission to show non-drinkers they can still enjoy vibrant, exciting experiences without alcohol. "Making drinks and community just kind of go hand in hand, so I was really missing that [when I got sober]," Danoff tells the Chronicle. "I wanted to introduce people to the world of non-alcoholic beverages because they had come so far since I owned a bar."

For a simple yet elevated option, Danoff recommends starting with a base of sparkling water or juice and building from there. She says fresh herbs like basil or rosemary, or aromatics like smoked salt, can transform a seemingly basic beverage into something special.

Chris Marshall - founder of Sans Bar, Austin's first sober bar - advises hosts to be inclusive of guests by providing extra non-alcoholic options. "You'll be amazed how many people will consume non-alcoholic beer, even if they're consuming alcohol." Marshall says. "It's like people don't even realize they want the option until you give it to them."

Marshall emphasizes that we "drink with our eyes first," so he recommends experimenting with garnishes, such as adding an orange wheel to sparkling water. For those seeking the tartness of alcohol, he suggests using non-alcoholic bitters - pointing out that traditional bitters contain 35-45% alcohol, which many people don't realize. "Non-alcoholic bitters are a great option,

especially if you're trying non-alcoholic wine - they add the tartness you're looking for and really bring these wines to life," Marshall says.

Jade Place-Matthews, co-founder of East 11th restaurant Hillside Farmacy, encourages people not to feel ashamed about opting out of drinking. For her and the team at Hillside, choosing a non-alcoholic drink is as natural as ordering a glass of wine. "It's just normal – we don't even have a separate section for non-alcoholic drinks on our menu. It's all just drinks, mixed together." Place-Matthews says. "We're seeing more and more people choose non-alcoholic beverages." She also suggests elevating the experience by using special glassware, like serving sparkling water in a champagne glass, or incorporating seasonal ingredients to highlight the holiday spirit.

Austin bar service company Drink Slingers owner Sadie Smythe advises hosts batch beverages without the alcohol and let guests mix in their own choice so everyone can customize their drink to best suit their taste. For customizable mocktails. Smythe recommends starting with a base like club soda or kombucha, then adding a splash of cocktail syrup. To make the drinks visually appealing, experiment with syrup flavors like strawberry, blueberry, or even seasonal pumpkin. For a creamy twist, Smythe suggests adding a touch of coconut milk to give the drink extra body and richness.

The possibilities are endless when it comes to crafting mocktails. What's most imporant, Marshall says, is to reframe ideas about abstaining.

"The conventional thinking around non-alcoholic drinks is that it's about restricting, it's about having less fun or less social life," Marshall says. "Really, I believe that this is the movement of more options, more fun with your friends, more opportunity to have safe workplace experiences."

#### **Country Doc Syrup** Party Size Recipe by Hillside Farmacv

(Can be served hot or cold)

5 apples 1 piece of ginger zest from 2 oranges 3 cinnamon sticks 1/2 cup lemon juice 1.5 oz. Angostura bitters 1 quart white sugar 1.3 quarts water

Simmer all ingredients. Strain before pouring.

#### **Ginger-Coconut NA Margarita by Paige Danoff of Sober** and Funky

2 oz. Lyre's Agave Blanco Spirit (or any NA tequila) 1 oz. Lyre's Orange Sec (or orange juice) 1/2 oz. Cheeky Honey Ginger Syrup 1/2 oz. lime juice sweetened shredded coconut pressed coconut water

Rim glass with honey and shredded coconut then set aside. Pour the first four ingredients in a shaker over ice. Shake it up! Fill your glass with ice and strain your cocktail in. Top with coconut water.

#### **Dry Sleigh Ride** by Chris Marshall of **Sans Bar**

3 oz. Ritual Rum Alternative 1 oz. fresh orange juice 1 oz. vanilla cinnamon syrup 2 oz. ginger beer

In a shaker filled with ice, combine the Ritual Rum Alternative, orange juice, and syrup. Shake until well chilled. Strain into two glasses filled with ice (rocks or highball). Top each glass with 2 oz. ginger beer and stir gently. Garnish with a cinnamon stick.



#### **SORRY, Y'ALL:** THERE'S ONLY ONE **WAY TO PREVENT A HANGOVER**

And you're probably not going to like it

BY AMAYA AUSTIN

The clock strikes midnight, you toast to new beginnings, but by sunrise, it's all headaches, nausea, and a foggy memory. Looking to prevent the dreaded New Year's hangover? There's only one way, said Dr. Kim Nixon, a professor of pharmacology and toxicology at the University of Texas at Austin: To skip the hangover, skip the booze - or at least drink in moderation.

According to Nixon, binge drinking - defined by the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism as consuming four or more drinks in two hours for women, and five or more for men - "would be enough to bring your blood alcohol level up above that .08 legal driving limit."

While everyone's body responds differently. the more you drink, the more likely it is that you'll feel the effects the following morning. And don't think pregaming with a big meal will solve the problem. While food can slow alcohol absorption, Nixon said it's not a miracle fix.

"If you have a full stomach, it will take the alcohol a little longer to get into your system ... but it's still a dose-response," she said. "The more you drink, the worse the consequences are going to be."

What you can do is space out the booze and sprinkle in some NA cocktails or sparkling waters - fuzz without the buzz. "If you're a host, have those great mocktails for your friends who don't drink," she said. "That also helps encourage people to drink in moderation."

And if you did party too hard? Just drink water and wait it out.

"There is no cure," Nixon said. "Some water to help with the dehydration might help your headache a little bit, but ... it really doesn't have an effect [on hangover symptoms].

Thinking of popping Tylenol? Bad idea. "There is an interaction between alcohol and Tylenol, and it is toxic to your liver, so you would want to avoid that." What about another drink - the old "hair of the dog" strategy? "It just prolongs the pain," she said.

So as you head out this holiday, keep prevention front of mind. Drink responsibly, stay hydrated, and make a plan - whether it's having a designated driver, using a rideshare service, or sticking to NA bevs - to make sure you ring in 2025 with more good memories than regrets.



# This January, Consider Bumping New Resolutions to March

And other ways to rethink your New Year's resolutions by AMBER WILLIAMS

"New year, new me." If that phrase elicits an eye roll, you're not alone. According to the Pew Research Center, seven out of 10 Americans elected not to make resolutions last year. Of the 30% who were still faithful, health, wealth, and relationships topped lists. But too often these idealistic bullet points scribbled out on the first of January turn into unused gym passes and dusty self-help books by Valentine's Day.

"The flaw in the concept of the New Year's resolution is the idea that just committing to doing something is going to be the thing that makes the change," says Art Markman, a cognitive scientist and co-host of KUT program Two Guys on Your Head.

Real change takes planning, and planning takes time. Markman says if goal setters want to make resolutions on December 31, they should wait until March to actually start - March 4, to be exact, which has a marketing angle handily built into the date.

"That's the day that we should say, 'Okay, now my plan is in place, and from here on, I'm going to 'March fourth' into my future.'" Apparently, he pitches this idea around every year. "It hasn't worked yet, but, you know, I'll try it again."

New holiday or not, Markman says this time block helps people identify their desired behavior changes and anything getting in the way. He suggests jotting down quick observations in a habit diary.

"You're going to check your cellphone less often," Markman says. "Every time you pick up that cellphone, make a little note. Where was I? What was I doing? How was I feeling?"

After playing Nancy Drew for two weeks, it's time to get specific with the resolutions. This means blocking off exact days and times of gym visits. For some goals, Markman recommends changing the environment. "There's the magical discovery, you can't eat an ice cream that's not in your freezer."

Markman also emphasizes reframing goals in terms of actions rather than inactions.

"I can't build a habit to not do something. I can only build a habit to do something."

The last tip about resolutions? Know when not to set them.

"Not every change is possible," Markman says. "Not every change that's possible is something I should be doing right now."

Especially in today's realm of toxic comparison supercharged by social media influencers, accepting can feel harder than changing. That's why grace plays a key role in making (or not making) resolutions.

"I think people are meaner to themselves than they are to anyone else in their lives," Markman says.

"We have to act with a certain amount of self-compassion, too.

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# Soul-Warming Austin Dishes You Can Have Delivered on New Year's Day

The front-door service you need after New Year's Eve partying

BY TAYLOR TOBIN

It's a truth universally acknowledged that a fun, lively, and memorable New Year's Eve can lead to a deeply painful and regret-ridden New Year's Day hangover. When I'm in that situation, the last thing I want to do is get dressed and head to brunch. I want flavorful, indulgent, and comforting food brought to my house, and I want to eat it in my pajamas in front of the TV. Luckily, Austin restaurants know how to handle the sorry aftermath of New Year's Eve by shuttling their tasty dishes right to diners' doors. These five spots serve some of our favorite hangover helpers in town, and they're available for New Year's Day delivery.

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#### Italian Sandwich From Home Slice Pizza

Savory cured meats, plush Italian bread, piquant provolone, tangy vinaigrette, sharp red onion, and the requisite lettuce and tomato: The Italian sub practically screams "I need to cure my hangover." And all food-loving Austinites know that the locally beloved Home Slice Pizza – which will offer delivery at several of its locations on New Year's Day – makes an Italian sandwich that can stand shoulder-to-shoulder with versions made in New York City.

#### Chimichanga From Texican Cafe

When a night of champagne toasts and ill-advised tequila shots leaves me couchbound, there's nothing that makes me happier than good old-fashioned fried food. And Texican Cafe, a classic Tex-Mex joint, serves a deep-fried burrito (aka a chimichanga) that offers everything one might want from that dish: a crunchy exterior, an interior bursting with cheese and your choice of protein, zippy salsas, tangy sour cream, rice and beans on the side, and even a complimentary serving of chips and house salsa. It got me through New Year's Day 2023, and I'll be calling upon it to do the same this year.

#### Bananas Foster French Toast From Phoebe's Diner

If you're craving a sweet treat to snap you out of the January 1 blues, Phoebe's Diner has you covered. Their bananas Foster French toast is a true brunch-dessert hybrid with sliced bananas, pecans, whipped cream, and a heavy drizzle of bourbon caramel.

#### **Cumin Lamb at Fat Dragon**

Spicy food can be polarizing for the exhausted and/or hung over among us: Some find that dishes with a kick are too volatile for their delicate stomachs, while others welcome the heat as a way to reset their systems. I fall into the latter camp, so I've definitely headed to Fat Dragon, a North Austin Chinese restaurant with a heavy Sichuan lean, on post-partying days. Their earthy, intense, and zesty cumin lamb is the right move for those who like to feel the burn.

#### Wonton Soup at 1618 Asian Bistro

Soup just might be the most soothing food on Planet Earth, so when you're starting the year in a wobbly state, a warming, comforting dish could do a lot to help. At 1618 Asian Bistro, a lively Asian-fusion restaurant in East Riverside, the wonton soup comes with a rich and meaty pork broth, tender wontons stuffed with both shrimp and pork, a sprinkling of fried onions for both flavor and texture, and aromatic cilantro to tie all of the flavors together.





# **Diving**

Why Austin loves the Polar Bear Plunge

**BY EDEN SHAMY** 

For 45 years, Austinites have headed to Barton Springs Pool on the first day of the year for the Polar Bear Plunge. In collaboration with the Save Our Springs Alliance, the event raises money and awareness to preserve the Austin landmark. It's also a chance to wash off the languor of the holidays and find a sharp new sense of rejuvenation in the pool's 68-degree (F) waters.

Dr. Jessica Tranchina, a physical therapist and CEO of the Generator Athlete Lab Downtown, explained that while cold plunging - or brief immersions in water between 50 and 70 degrees - can sound scary, it has a variety of short- and long-term health benefits.

"You feel like you're fighting the bear." Tranchina says, "It activates what we call the sympathetic nervous system, known as the fight or flight [response]."

The body responds to the cold temperatures with a rush of exciting, feel-good hormones including dopamine, serotonin, endorphins, and norepinephrine.

"The more you consistently do cold plunging, the higher your threshold and levels of dopamine in your body," Tranchina says. "So even when you're not cold plunging, or you didn't cold plunge that day, you feel more focused.'

Cold plunge enthusiasts point to heart benefits as well. When plunged into frigid water, the body constricts blood flow to the core. Then the blood pumps back out through arteries and veins when exposed to warmth. (Note: Cold plunges are not generally recommended for people with heart conditions or other medical conditions.)

"It's like flexing the muscles of your vascular system," she says.

Similarly, a polar plunge can help remove toxins and damaged tissues from the body by activating both the lymphatic system and the immune system, Tranchina said.

"You release white blood cells in this proportion when you're sick," she says. "The only other time that [white blood cells] are released in this quantity is in a cold plunge - which is basically hacking your body."

If you want to start the new year off with a splash, or need some mental clarity after a spirited New Year's Eve, then come "fight the polar bear" and experience the surge of adrenaline yourself.

# **Stepping Out**

From black light scavenger hunts to sunrise saunters, First Day Hikes is a great way to greet the new year

#### **BY AMBER WILLIAMS**

Patrick Flynn wanted to get people out to the parks during wintertime. That's why on January 1, 1992, the park supervisor offered a guided hike through Blue Hills Reservation in Milton, Mass, It was a success - 380 trekkers showed up. Today, his idea has snowballed into a nationwide movement known as First Day Hikes with more than 1.000 different programs offered at public parks across all 50 states.

This year, Texas is serving up a wide spread, from self-guided strolls to ranger-led summits. Early risers can find programs at 6:45am, while night owls are invited for midnight excursions on the 31st. Bird lover? There are a few hikes for that. Dinosaur digger? You won't be disappointed. If you're not into hiking, then horseback riding, paddleboarding, fishing, and biking fill the agenda, too.

"It really runs the gamut of whatever you would like to get out of your first day hike," says Katie Raney, a field interpretation coordinator for Texas State Parks.

The roughly 120 programs are listed on the Texas State Parks website under the First Day Hike page. Inks Lake State Park, offering both midnight and day hikes, and Lockhart State Park, with self-guided experiences, are just a couple of the offerings near Austin. Some programs ask for pre-registration and most parks require you to purchase a day pass. Popular locations can sell out early, so check the individual park websites before lacing up your boots.

As you hike, track your mileage and report to the park headquarters at the end. Not only do you get a free sticker for your trouble, but you also help tally up the total numbers. Last year, Texas charted 17,000 miles – taking home a new personal record and beating out all other states. (Even hiking is bigger in Texas.)

This turnout not only rejuvenates the parks but also the staff. Raney led her first hike for the program at the Bastrop State Park in 2012 after a severe fire burned 96% of the park's 6,565 acres of pine-oak forest.

"I can't tell you how hopeful it made me feel," Raney says of seeing the 60 bright faces who showed up on January 1.

Aside from supporting parks, hikers participate in this tradition for the camaraderie and to set a positive tone for the rest of the year.

"Whether you're diving in the river or you're hiking to a mountain peak together," Raney says, "we're starting the year off on what we think is the right foot."

Peruse all participating state parks at tpwd.texas.gov/calendar/first-day-hikes.



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#### Smallfoot FILM FAMILY





#### **THURSDAY 26, RUIZ BRANCH LIBRARY**

Someone once said, "Zendaya is Meechee," and by God, they were right. While Gabriel Gundacker's 50-ishsecond video has had a more lasting cultural legacy than the 96-minute film whose posters it lampooned, this cryptozoological kids' flick still hits when the weather grows cold. Beyond Zendaya, voice cast highlights include Channing Tatum (Migo), LeBron James (Gwangi), and Danny DeVito (Dorgle). Perfect for the winter-break haze, youths ages 5 and up are welcome to craft along while learning about acceptance between different communities - here meaning, of course, the yeti community and humans. - JAMES SCOTT

#### BRUCE MUSIC

#### FRIDAY 27, RADIO/EAST

At Walker Lukens' The Last Walt on Dec. 6, Carrie Fussell, wearing a glamorous black ball gown, belted "I Will Always Love You." Usually, covers of this song – especially when sung like Whitney, not Dolly, as Fussell did - elicit in me only dread and secondhand embarrassment, as few people can pull off such an infamously difficult vocal performance. Fussell, apparently masking a powerful set of pipes during her time in Calliope Musicals, killed it. New project BRUCE reveals even more of her talents. "Cherry" offers insight into the artist's neglected childhood, and preview tracks from upcoming projects signal art-pop experimentation. Knife Channel and Big Bill round out Friday's bill. - CARYS ANDERSON

#### RestFest MUSIC

#### FRIDAY 27 - SATURDAY 28, C-BOY'S HEART & SOUL

Before they head out to Spain in January, the boys of Restos throw down their second annual RestFest at home base C-Boy's. Joining the roots-rocking quintet for Friday's set are S.L. Houser's intoxicating, synth-layered indiepop and the heavy psych roar of Billy King & the Bad Bad Bad, riding 2024's sophomore LP, Introspective Resolute. Saturday brings Austin native Ricky Stein back to town with his easy-picking, smooth-twanging country and the driving power beats and edgy dance floor anxiety of Dossey's discopop. Restos sets up Slomo Drags to close with their biting, twisting, Of Montreal-eque grooves. - DOUG FREEMAN

#### His Girl Friday FILM

#### FRIDAY 27 - SUNDAY 29, AFS CINEMA

One of the screwball greats, 1940's His Girl Friday actually began life without the titular dame. It wasn't until director Howard Hawks got involved that Ben Hecht and Charles MacArthur's hit play *The Front Page* – about newspapermen trying to break the story on a death row escapee – was reimagined with a woman playing star crime reporter Hildy Johnson (Rosalind Russell), and her editor Walter Burns (Cary Grant) rejiggered to also be her ex-husband. Breathlessly paced, His Girl Friday is renowned for its rat-a-tat repartee and is a sterling example of the comedy of remarriage, my personal fave screwball subgenre. - KIMBERLEY JONES

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#### Night Ritualz MUSIC

**FRIDAY 27. HOTEL VEGAS** 

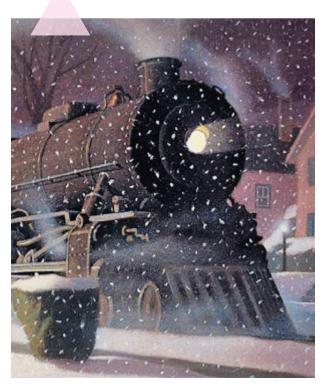
Though he sings tracks like "Cuando Andas" and "Vida" in Spanish, San Antonio darkwaver Night Ritualz leads his other electronic-tinged post-punk with an English groan. Both singable and club ready, cuts like 2023 single "Cross My Heart" and January's "Try Means Fail" play like goth lullabies, while latest release "Turn N Burn" opts instead for a hammering house beat. Fellow SA "sludge pop" duo Gillian Dream opens with similar woodpecker rhythms and ghostly vocals. - CARYS ANDERSON

#### The Polar Express Storytime BOOKS FAMILY

**SATURDAY 28, BOOKPEOPLE** 

If you've got kids at home, welcome to the doldrums of winter break. Holiday celebrations are officially done, your offspring are probably already over their toys, and the whining. Oh, the whining flowing forth from those oversugared, overstimulated, overly bored chaos machines. BookPeople is here to rescue you. They're coming in clutch with an opportunity to pack up the littles and get them to a second location. The Polar Express storytime has all the comfort of a classic story, but without any creepy motion capture Tom Hanks to give everyone nightmares. Instead, the warm tones of booksellers might just lull the children into winter zen. Or maybe the free hot cocoa will do that. Either way, you're all out of the house and entertained for at least a little while. - CAT MCCARREY

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#### DROPPING THE BALL EARLY WITH KID-FRIENDLY NYE FUN

As a former kid, I've had boots-on-the-ground experience feeling left out on New Year's Eve. All the fun started after I was settled down for a long winter's nap! Come to think of it, that hasn't changed much ... anyway! I'm sympathetic to the under-20 set's lack of New Year's celebrations.

While kiddos can't make the midnight champers toast due to their age, there's still plenty of appropriate alternatives right here in Austin, Each of these daytime NYE options provide fun activities as well as a way to tucker the youths out. Nothing starts the new year off better than a well-kept bedtime - for both the young and old.

Please remember to double check these events before attending, as time, capacity, and venue are all subject to change - as are we all, right? There'll also be guidance on what ages each event is appropriate for, so make sure the fun fits your kiddo's needs. See y'all in 2025! - JAMES SCOTT

#### Foodie Kids New Year's Eve Party

3818 Far West #107, foodie-kids.com

Feat. a lesson on how to make confetti cake balls, brie & cranberry bites, midnight melt fondue, sugar cookie wands, and a countdown crunch. \$80.

#### **Noon Year's Eve Storytime Celebration** at Yarborough Branch Library

2200 Hancock, library.austintexas.gov

Feat. a special storytime, artmaking, noisemakers, bubbles, and a balloon drop. Free.

#### Noon Year's Eve Party at **Terrazas Branch Library**

1105 E. César Chávez St., library.austintexas.gov

Feat. crafting, dancing, snacks, and a balloon drop. Free.

#### **Thinkery NYE Celebration**

1830 Simond, thinkeryaustin.org

Feat. a balloon drop, scarf drop, and festive crafts. \$35 for non-members.

#### Noon Year's Eve at Pinballz

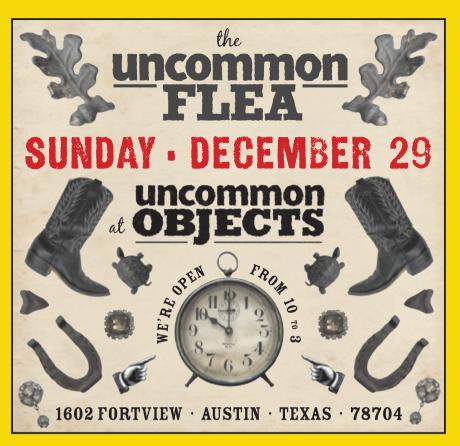
All Pinballz locations, pinballz.com

Feat, a balloon drop, arts & crafts, arcade games, and prizes. \$15 standard, \$20 VIP that includes 1,000 bonus tickets.

#### Noon Year's Eve Party at Twin Oaks Branch Library

1800 S. Fifth, library.austintexas.gov

Feat. a dance party storytime, festive crafts, bubbles, and a balloon drop. Free.



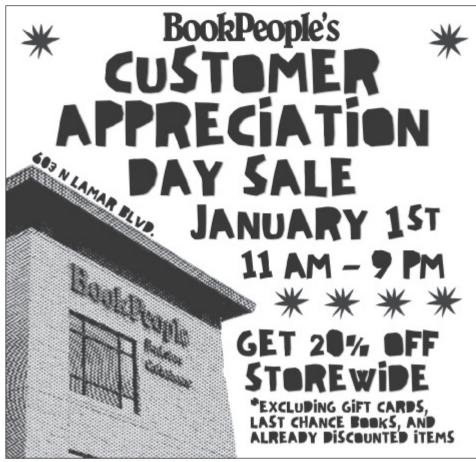






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#### **Bullet Journal & Planner Social**

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#### **SATURDAY 28, YARBOROUGH BRANCH**

Listen, if I won't follow through on New Year's resolutions (I will never, ever respect a goal I set for myself), at least I can make them look pretty. Enter the Yarborough Branch Library, where gaggles of goal-setting planner people can descend on a conference room and swap marking methods and those cool little bujo stickers. The library will provide an assemblage of tracking sheets, calendars, and pens, plus some basic journals for complete newbies. Unfortunately, they won't provide the goals or calendar fodder for you, but at least you'll have like-minded souls to bounce ideas off of. Feel a little prepared for the new year with a fabulous planner in hand. - CAT MCCARREY

### **Cries and Whispers**

**SATURDAY 28 & THURSDAY 2. ALAMO VILLAGE** 

Red is blood. Red is passion. But in Ingmar Bergman's oppressive and suffocating family drama, it is the color of a slow burn, as three sisters and their maid self-immolate and desiccate in their remote. isolated Swedish manor house. Bergman said that his films were essentially black-and-white, except for Cries and Whispers, as its crimson tones won Sven Nykvist an Oscar for his extraordinary and dread-drenched cinematography. A silent primal scream of lust and mistrust, it's a key influence on Robert Eggers and screens at selected Drafthouses around the country as a primer to his new version of genre-defining vampire horror Nosferatu. - RICHARD WHITTAKER

#### When Harry Met Sally...

FILM

#### SATURDAY 28 - MONDAY 30, ALAMO VILLAGE, **SLAUGHTER LANE, LAKELINE & MUELLER**

Billy Crystal appeared on The Late Show recently, where Stephen Colbert asked him to share his favorite moment from When Harry Met Sally..., released 35 years ago this summer. Without missing a beat, the actor stood from his chair, stared down the camera, and recited his character's final declaration of love: "I came here tonight because when you realize you want to spend the rest of your life with somebody, you want the rest of your life to start as soon as possible." Over three decades since filming, the comedian can still pull Nora Ephron's dialogue out of thin air. There's no better sign of a perfect movie than that. - CARYS ANDERSON

#### **A Tribute to Alex Chilton** and Big Star Music

**SATURDAY 28. HOTEL VEGAS** 

Eccentric Memphis rock & roll legend Alex Chilton's career traversed blue-eyed soul stardom with the Box Tops – scoring a global smash with "The Letter" as a teen - to Big Star's definitive Seventies power pop. Gorgeous classics like "September Gurls" contrast with his later experimental turns into Memphis roots and avant-rock chaos. East Austin hipster/garage haven Hotel Vegas hosts this tribute night, featuring Broken Gold (Riverboat Gamblers guitarist Ian MacDougall's superb post-punk outfit), the eccentric brilliance of John Wesley Coleman, and the Stayres, a power pop trio heavier than Big Star. Austin's take on Chilton's mercurial genius should be intriguing. - TIM STEGALL

#### **Teens Only Game Day**

COMMUNITY

#### **SATURDAY 28, UNIVERSITY HILLS BRANCH LIBRARY**

Kids these days have a much better array of options when it comes to jamming down the D-pad. However, microtransactions threaten to ruin all the fun, especially with games like Fortnite that also encourage isolating your interactions online only. Start the new year sans headset and pricey online multiplayer setup by joining IRL friends at your local library. With gaming systems provided and preprepped, as well as free snacks to keep y'all fuelled up, this teens-only space promises no gamer-rage moments - only gamer joy! - JAMES SCOTT

#### DAY TRIPS BY GERALD E. MCLEOD

The Morton Preserve off of River Road outside of New Braunfels offers a stunning view of the Guadalupe River, but it's open to the public for a limited time.

Part of a former ranch, the 288-acre property was acquired in 2008 by Comal County as a sanctuary for the golden-cheeked warbler, an endangered songbird that winters in Mexico and breeds in the Hill Country during the summer.

The land was acquired through grants from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the Texas Parks & Wildlife Department.

While the songbird is away on a winter vacation to warmer climates, the preserve is open to the public from September to February. This is the first year that visitors are allowed through a reservation system.

Visitors are limited to hiking a half-mile-long former ranch road and a paved parking area. The park is mainly a tangle of oaks and Ashe junipers surrounding meadows guarded

by prickly pear cactus and thorny bushes. The afternoon I visited, the only wildlife present were yellow butterflies.

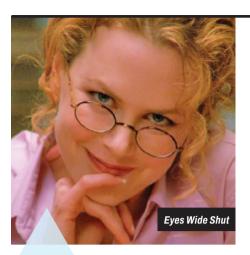
Still, it was worth the journey just for the spectacular view of the river valley from the bluff.

To get to the well-hidden turnoff to the left of the Action Angler fly shop you have to travel several miles of River Road. Despite the nearly continuous line of riverside campgrounds. vacation homes, and tubing outfitters, River Road is still one of the most scenic byways in the area.

The Morton Preserve is outside of New Braunfels off of River Road just west of the Third Crossing. The nature preserve is open from 7am to 5pm. Reservations must be made through Comal County at www.cceo.org/parks/morton-preserve in order to get the code to the locked gate. There are no facilities at the park, and dogs are not allowed. The view of the river from the bluff is worth the price of admission.



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#### **Eyes Wide Shut** FILM

SATURDAY 28, MONDAY 30 & TUESDAY 31, AFS CINEMA

Hello: You may remember me from last week, where I wrote about this movie when it screened at Alamo Drafthouse. Well, I'm back and once again asking you to give famous director Stanley Kubrick a chance. Often mischaracterized as an entirely dour filmmaker due to film bro culture overemphasizing his works' serious subject matter, the true soul of Kubrick is humor. He's funny, guys! Nowhere do you see this satirical wit more than in this Tom Cruise vehicle, where the ultra-star's asexual magnetism is dismantled to hilarious effect. Cruise's Dr. Bill Harford literally flashes his medical license around like a cop's badge - echoing the false authority certain celebrities try to flaunt. Come for the Christmas cheer; stay because Tàr director Todd Field plays a piano man. - JAMES SCOTT

# Shelley Carrol Quartet Music

**SATURDAY 28, MONKS JAZZ** 

Though a longtime member of the Duke Ellington Orchestra, saxophonist Shelley Carrol has deep Texas roots. Part of a family of players and gospel singers from Houston, he attended the city's famed High School for the Performing and Visual Arts and was part of the renowned One O'Clock Lab Band while attending University of North Texas. Now based in the Dallas area, he teaches jazz to young folks at West Mesquite High School and the South Dallas Cultural Center when he's not on the road with the Ellington band, the Count Basie Band, or Sheryl Crow. Two shows land at 8 and 10pm. – MICHAEL TOLAND

#### Dual Language Japanese-English Storytime

COMMUNITY LEARNING

#### SATURDAY 28, MILWOOD BRANCH LIBRARY

Created in 2017, Austin Japan Community née Austin Shakaijin Kai works year-round to support the entire Japanese community in ATX as well as foster knowledge in those who simply enjoy Japanese culture. Though focused primarily on children's entertainment, this Saturday's storytime provides fun for all ages – while also teaching about Japan's new year's cultural celebrations. Enjoy seasonal children's songs, reading from picture books, and a paper puppet show in the tradition of Kamishibai, aka Japanese picture theatre. But don't think you'll leave engaged but empty-handed: AJC also offers make-and-take crafts such as a kawaii (cute!) origami snake and a new year's wreath, as well as refreshments to enjoy after storytime. - JAMES SCOTT

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JANA BIRCHUM

#### **Vixens of Volstead:** The Best of 2024 QUEER

**SUNDAY 29, THE VOLSTEAD LOUNGE** 

What a 2024 we've all had: brat summer, Wicked, beautiful Italian men with a weakness for hash browns, etc. Who better to capture this crazy vear than Best of Austin winners the Vixens of Volstead? This Eastside drag show has been bringing the hotness for ages, and they plan to send off the year with the expected aplomb. May Magdalene, Mars, and Veronica Valentine host, with a special appearance by Monica Monáe Davenport to keep everyone on their toes. DJ Boyfriend provides this year's top tunes, so come out, have a Bloody Mary, and say goodbye to 2024's trends the way they deserve. - JAMES SCOTT

#### The Apartment FILM

#### SUNDAY 29 - TUESDAY 31, ALAMO SOUTH LAMAR, SLAUGHTER LANE, MUELLER, LAKELINE & VILLAGE

I love Jack Lemmon. He hits the sweet spot of non-queer actors who play queer well, although perhaps Pauline Kael, in a recently resurfaced quote, better describes his allure. She spoke about his continued casting as Jewish despite being a goy, stating "He's cast as a Jew for the same reason Montgomery Clift was after the accident that disfigured him – because the look in his face passes for pain." Lemmon in this Billy Wilder classic embodies the guiet suffering of a man suppressed: by his bosses who use his titular flat without ever providing him upward mobility; by his neighbors who believe him a sex addict despite his never being the culprit; and by his own simmering desires for Shirley MacLaine's magnetic elevator operator. Together their sadness spins a perfect end-of-the-year watch, capturing a welcome melancholy as 2024 draws to a close. - JAMES SCOTT

#### **Get Crafty: New Year's** Charms COMMUNITY

#### **MONDAY 30. RUIZ BRANCH LIBRARY**

We could all use some good fortune and protection in 2025, and here's one way to up your chances. Learn at the library how to make clay charms and paper omamori, which are Japanese amulets found at Buddhist temples and Shinto shrines, so named from the Japanese word "mamoru" meaning "to protect." Just come up with a good intention or prayer for the new year and swing by for a lunchtime craft hour from 1 to 2pm. - KAT MCNEVINS All ages welcome.

#### Nico Santos COMEDY

#### **MONDAY 30, CAP CITY COMEDY CLUB**

Austin gets a real treat in this special visit from Nico Santos, a Philippines-to-Bay Area transplant by way of Oregon you may recognize as the witty and fashionable Oliver from Crazy Rich Asians or as Recorder Theel from last year's Guardians of the Galaxy Vol. 3. Santos really made a name for himself onscreen over six seasons of NBC comedy Superstore, which benefited from his stand-up background as well as the real-life retail experience that supplemented his comedy career. Don't miss this rare chance to see him live in Austin, and get more Santos via guest spots on NBC comedies Night Court and St. Denis Medical. - KAT MCNEVINS



#### Charley Crockett MUSIC

#### **TUESDAY 31, ACL LIVE AT THE MOODY THEATER**

A line stretched in both directions around Waterloo Records before Charley Crockett's in-store performance this past April. Don't call the Texas country buck grassroots anymore, because at least here at home, he's gone as mainstream as Yeti. Inside the store, warming up before Lone Stars of every stripe packed in, he stood solo onstage with his guitar, his low and soulful croon still spellbinding. "Whaddya got," I cracked. "More than you can handle," he snapped back, edge-sharp. \$10 Cowboy proved that in 2024, and now Live From the Ryman encores. Willie Nelson used to own this Moody NYE slot, so take the hint: Crockett's his replacement. - RAOUL HERNANDEZ



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#### **Feeble Little Horse**

MUSIC

#### **TUESDAY 31, PARISH**

Feedback freaks and DIY enthusiasts need look no further for NYE plans than Feeble Little Horse's year-end Austin stop. The Pittsburgh fourpiece's 2021 debut EP modern tourism announced the group as prominent noise-pop newcomers, melting heads with fuzz-filled guitar work and sardonic lyricism. Last year's tour de force Girl With Fish saw the band expand their musical palette, combining chirpy electronic touches without sacrificing their signature grit. Tourmates Sword II ride into Austin on the success of a sludgy recent collaboration with They Are Gutting a Body of Water. - GENEVIEVE WOOD

#### TR/ST MUSIC **TUESDAY 31, MOHAWK**

In the mood to dance vourself clean of the tire fire that was 2024 with the darkest music you can find? Throw on leather, eveliner, and possibly a coat and head off to mope and vibrate to this Los Angelesvia-Canada moody electronic outfit. On this year's Performance, Robert Alfons' void-gazing synth project acquires a cool driftiness to go with its beat science. On NYE he plays with the indestructible synth-punk band Adult., the similarly goth San Antonio outfit Haunt Me, and Holy Water, the latter of whom has likely forgotten more about Depeche Mode than you will ever know. - JOE GROSS

#### Third Eye Blind Music

**TUESDAY 31, AUDITORIUM SHORES** 

Why not ring in the new year with a free show by one of the most famous party bands of the Nineties? (You knew "Semi-Charmed Life" was about drugs, right?) Whether or not you plan to bump again on Dec. 31, you might as well admit that Third Eye Blind's 1997 self-titled album is full of bangers. "How's It Going To Be"? Iconic breakup song. "Jumper"? A masterclass in suicide prevention. "Graduate"? A commencement soundtrack for a generation. Before you move forward, look back with some undeniable power pop. - CARYS ANDERSON

#### Phantom Thread FILM

#### **TUESDAY 31 AND WEDNESDAY 1. ALAMO SOUTH LAMAR, LAKELINE**

Maybe you've already caught this "final" (for now) Daniel Day Lewis performance in theatres. But hear me out - Phantom Thread is the ideal film for ringing in the New Year. Is that just because it has an ethereally gorgeous New Year's party scene? Maybe. But this luscious movie deserves to be seen on the big screens, nothing distracting you from the quiet beauty of fashion and relationships. Listen to Jonny Greenwood's wonderful score on a top-notch sound system. Watch every larger-than-life fold and billow of dressmaking. Entrap yourself in the twisted love between DDL's eccentric fashion house head and Vicky Krieps' not-so-naive country girl drawn into his web. Let yourself get lost in the romanticism, and definitely don't investigate why their power dynamic is so fascinating. - CAT MCCARREY

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#### The Wizard of Oz

#### **TUESDAY 31. CENTRAL LIBRARY**

I once held the championship title in my immediate family for the Wizard of Oz trivia game, where I could recall every fact at the drop of a dice. How curious no one suspected I might be neurodivergent... anyway! Ease into the new year with a classic: In conjunction with their Read Watch Talk Book and Movie Club, which is currently delving into Oz's many, many iterations, the Austin Public Library screens 1939's Technicolor wonder. This screening offers silent disco headphones, so you control the volume on the screening without disturbing other patrons. Whether you listen soft or loud, the beautiful notes of Judy Garland wondering what lies over the rainbow hit every single time. - JAMES SCOTT

#### **Dahomey** FILM

#### TUESDAY 31, WEDNESDAY 1 & SATURDAY 4, AFS CINEMA

How do our histories continue beyond their lifetimes? As the world wavers over climate change's steep ledge, conversations about preservation have produced the most fascinating works of 2024. From psychic grave robbers in La Chimera to this week's Doc Nights select, how to care for artifacts - and where those historical items belong – stays a potent topic. Directed by Mati Diop, the return of 26 sacred pieces concerns most of this documentary's runtime, following their journey from a Paris museum back to what was once the titular African kingdom, now called Benin. This story comes from multiple viewpoints, including interviews with University of Abomev-Calavi students as well as a statue of King Ghézo, given voice by Haitian writer Makenzy Orcel. - JAMES SCOTT



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#### DJ Paul Music

#### **TUESDAY 31, ANTONE'S**

DJ Paul of legendary Memphis rap group Three 6 Mafia fame kicks out the jam and headlines Antone's monster New Year's Eve bash. Also on the bill, Jake Lloyd and Deezie Brown's Geto Gala run continues following the release of the fantastic full-length Major League. Mississippi-raised LOS KEMET makes nuanced hip-hop he calls "Southern Gangsta Musik." Blakchyl, alongside Vintage Jay, put out one of the year's best extended plays in *Process of Shinnin*. YOSO brings a potent blend of Southern rap, Afrobeats, and dub Belizean reggae. DJ Mahealani provides support with a delectable vinyl set. - KAHRON SPEARMAN

#### **Black-Eyed Pea** Cook-Off FOOD

#### **WEDNESDAY 1, WILLIAM CHRIS VINEYARD**

Originating in West Africa and a portent of good luck, black-eyed peas are essential eating on New Year's Day. If you want to get your fix in as well as a nice drive, consider heading to Hye for William Chris Vineyard's annual Black-Eyed Pea Cook-Off. A \$50 ticket (\$20 children) will pack your plate with Hoppin' John, braised collards, and more. That ticket also gains you access to live music, lawn games, a welcome glass of wine, a commemorative tee, and the right to taste and vote for the best dish, which is great for anyone who made "be more judgey" a New Year's resolution for 2025. - KIMBERLEY JONES

#### Bona FILM

#### WEDNESDAY 1 & SUNDAY 5, AFS CINEMA

Because all misogyny was fixed in 1990 by women in pantsuits, watching women-centric films from those preenlightened years is so fascinating. Obviously I jest, seeing as America just elected possibly the most anti-women candidate for our highest office, but I'm not joking when it comes to the importance of historic feminist cinema. This until-now largely unseen Filipino feature follows a young woman infatuated with an actor, whose enveloping of her into his life proves enlightening about patriarchy's harsh rule. Released in 1980, the film's lead actress Nora Aunor won a Filipino Academy of Movie Arts and Sciences Best Actress award, as well as sweeping up another Best Actress title at the Gawad Urian Awards. Catch the latest 4K restoration as the new year starts, putting you one-foot forward to a more worldly cinematic 2025. - JAMES SCOTT

#### **New Year Mimosa Run**

#### **SPORTS**

#### **WEDNESDAY 1, 410 PRESSLER**

Start your year the right way ... and the wrong way. The fine and fit folks at Rogue Running will host a 3-7 mile jaunt through Austin – that's the healthy part – followed by mimosas, coffee, and sparkling cider - that's the unhealthy part, although it might help your mental health. Maybe this will be a whole new fitness leaf you'll be turning over, but even if your resolution to run only lasts for that one day, you'll still be that tiny bit healthier going into what promises to be a grueling 2025. - JAMES RENOVITCH

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#### >>>>>> BY JAMES SCOTT

I'm writing this column from behind a crystal ball, within which are purple and pink swirls of precog magic. How do you score one of these? First, you have to be really beautiful, and God has to love you. Then, you have to be gueer - although that's basically just restating the obvious. Anyway: I looked into my shiny totem to glean incredible insight into what events all the star signs must attend. What I saw has been here logged for your betterment.

Or you can just go to the events that seem fun to you. Whatever, dude. I'm not your mom.

#### **Sagittarius: Red District Party**

Monday 30, 207 W. Fourth

Sir Rat Leather & Gear hosts a vibrant, edgy experience sure to bring out the adventurous Sag as well as their sensual friends, featuring a bathhouse vibe and music by DJ Cosmique and DJ Daddy D.

#### Capricorn: Tuezgayz 2025

Tuesday 31, Barbarella & Swan Dive

The financially informed Capricorn knows a good deal when they see one, which is why they ought to attend Barbs/Swan Dive's "3 Parties 1 Cover" NYE party - that's a million-dollar value for only \$20.

#### **Aquarius: Garage Comedy**

Thursday 26, Fallout Theater

A stacked lineup of women and nonbinary comedians promises to "pack a punch EVERY week" that will delight the cool and quirky Aquarius, especially if they get to brag about it later in the week.

#### **Pisces: A Tuna Surprise: New Queer's Eve Day Show**

Tuesday 31, Knomad Bar

Save a tissue or two for the sensitive Pisces, who'll surely shed a tear at this fond reunion of art folk rockers the TunaHelpers as well as contribute an art piece to the 2025 Resilience & Regeneration ofrenda altar.

#### **Aries: Black Party**

Saturday 28, the Austin Eagle

Too hot to handle is the name of the Aries game, as is this party that celebrates the dark clothes, tunes, and vibes - so dress in the style of shadows.

#### **Taurus: Drag Bingo Happy Hour**

Sunday 29, Jo's Coffee Symphony Square

Gastronomes that they are, Taurus readers ought to try their luck at this drag bingo hosted by Lawrie Bird, where delicious prizes and Jo's refreshments await.



What's in your future? PHOTO BY WYRON A. VIA UNSPLASH

#### **Gemini: Tongue in Cheek**

Thursday 2, Swan Dive

Those guffawing Geminis may have their fill of funny folks at Ivy Le's queer comedy open mic: a perfect way to kick off a very silly year indeed.

#### **Cancer: TGQ Social North**

Saturday 28, Slab BBQ & Beer

Slip out of that shell, Cancer, and find new friends at this Northside hang held by TGQ Social, where gender diverse peeps and their allies gather together.

#### Leo: Big Gay Night Out: **New Year's Eve Edition**

Tuesday 31. Fallout Theater

Let the lion roar a little - or a lot - at this comedy show hosted by the talented Greg Phelps and featuring local gay luminaries in the he-he/ha-ha field.

#### Virgo: NYE 2025 at the Coco Complex

Tuesday 31, Coconut Club

Organization mavens like Virgos will love how Coco Club collects all the hot platter-spinners under one roof and across five dance floors - all for \$20.

#### Libra: New Year's Day Polar Plunge + Boozy Brunch

Wednesday 1, Austin Motel

Balance the scales, Libra, with this party that promises delicious eats, beats by Boi Orbison, and drag by Cheeki Khant.

#### Scorpio: NYE @ CUC

Tuesday 31, Cheer Up Charlies

Chups salutes the Scorpio's sexy taste by packing their NYE lineup with DJs who really bring the steamy spins - plus complimentary champers and a tequila shot with ticket purchase? Wahoo!

Send yer queer events and stories to jscott@austinchronicle.com. Find more at austinchronicle.com/qmmunity.











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#### **Polar Bear Splash**

COMMUNITY SPORTS

#### **WEDNESDAY 1, BARTON SPRINGS POOL**

No polar bears were invited to this year's plunge, as far as I know, but they wouldn't like the weather in Austin anyway. A bit too humid, TBH! So this event rec goes out to all our non-polar bear readers, many of whom are humanoid and will take great delight in hopping feet first into the chilly Barton Springs. I'll say this: It's certainly a unique way to welcome the new year. Cold, wet, and awake too early - such is the edict for 2025. Of course, you can always hit up Save Our Springs for free coffee and donuts to warm up post-plunge. - JAMES SCOTT

#### **The First Sip Brunch**

#### **WEDNESDAY 1. THE THOMPSON**

Maybe you're not interested in a subdued 2025. You desire a new year filled by decadence, luxury, and excess - which is why you're even considering a Downtown Austin hotel brunch at all. Few places could kick off your gourmet future better than this New Year's Day feast over at the Thompson's first-floor 5th Street Diner. On offer here will be millennial-bait avocado toast, green eggs and ham benedict, bread-pudding French toast, or Irish oatmeal, whose brûléed raw sugar and fresh fruit don't exactly call to mind the humble cuisine of Ireland but like. You're not in Ireland, so why pick nits? Top this foodie finery off with an elevated cocktail, such as 2024's darling the espresso martini or a tropical pineapple orange mimosa. The world may be burning, but who cares when the eating's this good? - JAMES SCOTT

#### Paris, Texas FILM

#### THURSDAY 2. ALAMO SOUTH LAMAR

Even though it was directed by Wim Wenders and written by Sam Shepard, it's not Paris, North Rhine-Westphalia, or Paris, Illinois, It's Paris, Texas, and it's the delicate pen of cinematic hall-of-famer and co-screenwriter L.M. Kit Carson that grounds this 1985 tragic odyssey as a defining Lone Star State film. Desperation blooms in the heat as lost soul Travis (Harry Dean Stanton, gaunt and mute) staggers out of the West Texas desert on a quest to pull some of his life back together, and make amends for sins from which he had run away four years earlier. Yet what was truly unforgivable: the crime, or the escape? The movies have never had a better showdown than Stanton on the phone in a peepshow booth, confronting his past and confessing for something like redemption. - RICHARD WHITTAKER

#### The Bloody Lady FILM

#### THURSDAY 2 & SATURDAY 4, AFS CINEMA

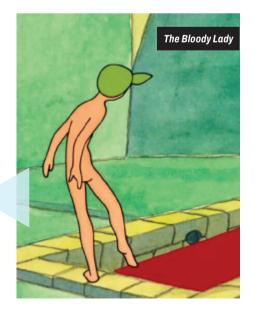
Hungarian serial killer Elizabeth Báthory, allegedly a bather in the blood of virgins in a quest for eternal youth around the turn of the 17th century, was the subject of a recent You're Wrong About podcast episode. Does that mean this 1981 "Disneyfied goth retelling" of her story, as AFS puts it, may not be based on fact? Can we even call her a serial killer? Perhaps ol' Liz is due for a name-clearing, and her story is certainly ripe for revisiting via this strikingly told tale from Slovakia's "father of animation." Viktor Kubal. - KAT MCNEVINS

#### The Taste of Mango

FILM

#### THURSDAY 2 & THURSDAY 9, AFS CINEMA

Moms hold a lot of histories: theirs, their children's, and even their own mother's. In her debut documentary feature, filmmaker Chloe Abrahams delves into three family generations to find their true stories filled by overwhelming love and violence. By unpacking her mother Rozana and her grandmother Jean's lives before hers, Abrahams uses their stories to "testify to the entangled and ever-changing nature of inheritance and the ways in which we both hurt and protect the ones we love," as the director's own website describes. Having secured a Best Debut Director award from the British Independent Film Awards, the documentary lands in ATX courtesy of Austin Asian American Film Festival and AFS' Doc Nights series. - JAMES SCOTT



## **Music Notes**

BY DEREK UDENSI



#### **Alejandro Escovedo**

Friday 27 - Saturday 28, Saxon Pub

These two shows were originally scheduled for earlier this month, but Escovedo had to undergo surgery to resolve a case of appendicitis. The Austin Music Awards Hall of Famer released his latest LP, Echo Dancing, back in March.

#### **Real World Hotel Veaas**

Tuesday 31, Hotel Vegas

The rarely dull East Sixth locale once again hosts a massive, end-of-year blowout that'll pay homage to legends of yesteryear. This go around, members of 20 local acts celebrate the Nineties in a manner that'd make the creators of VH1's Aughts television miniseries I Love the '90s beam with glee. Artists set to be covered include the Breeders (performed by Farmer's Wife), Green Day (Another Scorcher), Pavement (members of John Wesley Coleman Band), and Weezer (Gus Baldwin & the Sketch).

#### **Interstellar New Year's Eve**

Tuesday 31, Radio/East

Funky. Otherworldly. A piss-ton of members. Those are some succinct ways to describe the large, luxurious nature of galaxial bands Golden Dawn Arkestra and Grandmaster. The latter act released its self-titled debut on Spaceflight Records earlier this year. Andrew Cashen & the Disciples of Creation open Radio/East's farewell to 2024.

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#### **THURSDAY** 12/26

ACL LIVE Uncle Lucius, Sir Woman (8:00)

**AUSTIN PROPER HOTEL Deer Fellow** (8:00)

BROKEN SPOKE Jeff Hughes & Chaparral (9:00), Tracie Lynn (6:00)

C-BOY'S Mel & James [jade room] (10:00), Scrappy Trube, Nakia & the Never Not Now (9:30), Allisen & the Wy's Guys (6:30) 🔾

**CHEER UP CHARLIES WILL** Automagic, p1nkstar, Henry Chow. Javiii, Brett Johnson (9:00) OB

**COME & TAKE IT LIVE** Joaquín Frazier & Due South, Two Legged Dog

**CONTINENTAL CLUB** Barfield the Tyrant (10:30), Casper Rawls (6:30)

**CONTINENTAL CLUB GALLERY Da'** Homies (10:30), BettySoo (8:30)

**CORAL SNAKE** Fuzzy Feeling, Nick Adamo Band (8:00)

**ELEPHANT ROOM** Colin Houlihan's Utopia Quartet (9:00), Sarah Sharp Ouintet (6:00)

**FLAMINGO CANTINA** Dutty Thursdays w/ Shaggy Fowl, Mistah B, DJ Supa (9:00)

GUERO'S Easy Trouble (6:00)

**LITTLE LONGHORN** Manny Velazquez (9:00), the Back Forty Band (6:00)

MOZART'S Craig Marshall (2:00), Jon Parmentier (11:30am), Ibra Martinez (9:00am) (A)

**SAGEBRUSH** Ransom Brothers (8:00)

**SAM'S TOWN POINT** Jimmie Dreams & Friends (10:00). Sentimental Family Band (9:00), Western Fidelity (8:00), two-step dance lessons w/ Double or Nothing (6:00)

THE WHITE HORSE Billy Broome, Pearlsnap Playboys, Jake Penrod (8:00)

#### **FRIDAY** 12/27

3TEN ACL LIVE Skyrocket! (8:30)

THE ABGB Jay Moeller & the Drag (8:00)

BANGER'S Belldiver (8:00)

**BATCH CRAFT BEER + KOLACHES** Rent Party (7:00)

**BROKEN SPOKE** Wagoneers w/ Monte Warden (9:00), Ian Stewart (6:00)

BUCK'S BACKYARD Art Tigerina & the Jukebox Preachers (8:00)

C-BOY'S Restfest Day 1 w/ Billy King & the Bad Bad Bad, Restos, S.L. Houser (10:00) , Jay Stiles (6:30)

CHEZ ZEE Margaret Slovak & Chris Maresh (6:00)

THE CONCOURSE PROJECT Chris Lake, Wh0, Andrew Parsons (9:00) ®

**CONTINENTAL CLUB** The Soul Supporters, the Point (10:00), The Blues Specialists (6:30)

**CONTINENTAL CLUB GALLERY** Josh Perdue (10:30). The Last Jimenez (8:30)

CORAL SNAKE Skull Caster, QATAR, Weird Weather (8:00)

THE COURTYARD ATX Grimefest w/ HE\$H, VKTM, Mongrel b2b Joust, Kiru b2b Anubis, Cryptik b2b Wiggz b2b Blvk Pirelli (8:30) 🚯

THE CUT Joeski (3:00am) @

**DRISKILL BAR** Dave Insley Trio (8:00)

**ELEPHANT ROOM** King Daddy & the Flat Five (6:00)

**EMPIRE CONTROL ROOM Todd** Edwards [control room] (9:00) ®

THE FAR OUT The Bottomless, Wild Heaven, Female Gallery (8:00)

**GRUENE HALL** Cory Morrow, Ryan Ross (8:00) **® A** 

GUERO'S MC & the Mystyx (6:00)

HOLE IN THE WALL Loose Screws & Rusty Hearts, Cheer Up Cheer Up, the Intergalactic SpaceCorps (9:00)

HOTEL VEGAS Night Ritualz, Gillian Dream (7:15) 🔾 🔞

LITTLE LONGHORN Johnny McGowan's Rugged Gents (9:00), Giddy Up Go (6:00)

**MEANWHILE BREWING CO.** Robert Parker Jr. (6:30)

MONKS JAZZ CLUB Michael Malone Quintet (10:00, 8:00)

MOODY CENTER Koe Wetzel, Morgan Wade, Stephen Wilson Jr. (7:00) ®

MOZART'S Blake Robert (2:00), Nicole Quinn (11:30am), James Hearne (9:00am)

RADIO/EAST Big Bill, BRUCE, Knife Channel (8:45) 🗖 🗖

**SAGEBRUSH** The Derailers (9:00)

SAXON PUB Alejandro Escovedo (10:00), Monte Montgomery (8:00), TG BAD (6:00) •

SPEAKEASY Rhinosaur (9:30)

**STARGAZER** Mazel Tov Kocktail Hour (6:00)

**THE WATER TANK** Tylor Brandon (5:30)

THE WHITE HORSE Missy Beth & the Morning Afters, Saddle Sores, Gus Clark & the Least of His Problems (8:00) **3** . Cory Johnson (5:30)

#### **SATURDAY** 12/28

3TEN ACL LIVE The Damn Quails, Ryder Grimes (8:00) ®

THE ABGB Jeremiah Jackson, Novus Rose (9:00)

ACL LIVE Reckless Kelly, Shinyribs (8:00)

**ATX UNPLUGGED** Will Taylor & Strings Attached (Leonard Cohen tribute) (8:00)

BANGER'S Gus Miller (8:00)

BROKEN SPOKE Dale Watson (9:00). Pierson Saxon (6:00)

**BUCK'S BACKYARD** Haywire (9:00)

C-BOY'S Restfest Day 2 w/ Slomo Drags. Restos, DOSSEY, Ricky Stein (9:00)

CHESS CLUB Die Mart, the Others Like Us, Ultra Deluxe, gulfwargameboy (9:00)

COME & TAKE IT LIVE The Jeans, Bicycle Boy, Live Another Day, Two Legged Dog (6:00)

THE CONCOURSE PROJECT Adam Beyer (9:00) ®

**CONTINENTAL CLUB** Paul Val (10:00), Peterson Brothers Band (8:00), Earl Poole Ball (3:30)

**CONTINENTAL CLUB GALLERY** Josh Perdue (10:30), Beaver Nelson (8:30)

CORAL SNAKE Jake Novak, Tropicana Joe (8:00)

THE CUT Joshwa (3:00am) @

**DRINKS BACKYARD** Rent Party (8:00)

**DRISKILL BAR** Cornell Hurd Band (8:00)

**ELEPHANT ROOM** The Brew (9:00)

**EMPIRE CONTROL ROOM** Machinedrum, 45AM, DJ Hipstir [control room] (9:00) **@** 

THE FAR OUT Capricorn zodiac party w/ Jess Helios & the Crew, the Dead Canyon Family Reunion, BOO85 (8:00)

FLAMINGO CANTINA Hazard Hounds, Kristen Taylor, Side Peace (9:00)

**GRUENE HALL Max Stalling, Topo** Chico Cowboys (9:00) B A

**GUERO'S** Bruce Smith Band, Mandy Rowden, Tomes & the Tones (2:30)

HOLE IN THE WALL Plum Tongue, the Gary, Fake Beach (8:00)

**HOTEL VEGAS** A Tribute to Alex Chilton & Big Star w/ Broken Gold, John Wesley Coleman, the Stavres (7:15)

JESTER KING BREWERY Julia Rose (4:00). Larry Harris Band (1:00)

KINGDOM Rodriguez Jr. (10:00) ®

LITTLE LONGHORN Jake Penrod & His Million-Dollar Cowboys (9:00), the Space Ranchers (6:00)

MOHAWK Godot, SKRATZ, Throat Piss [inside] (9:00) **@** 

MONKS JAZZ CLUB Shelley Carrol Quartet (10:00, 8:00) 🔾

**MOZART'S** Unanswered Questions Trio (9:00am) 🗘 🙆

THE PORCH The Taproom 30th anniversary afterparty w/ Our Last Daze, Lil Boodang, Junkbunny, more (7:00)

RADIO COFFEE & BEER Jenny & the Jetts, the Bottomless (8:00) ®

RADIO/EAST Salt Kid. Somebody Someone, Grace Rowland (8:00)

SAGEBRUSH We the Homies. Nether Hour, D-Madness (8:00)

SAHARA LOUNGE Africa Night w/ Zoumountchi, the Point, Afro Jazz (7:00)

**SAM'S TOWN POINT Ramsay** Midwood (11:00), Linda Gail Lewis (9:00), Mario Matteoli & Friends (Willie Nelson tribute) (8:00)

SAXON PUB Alejandro Escovedo (10:00)

**SPEAKEASY** Lonestar Souvenirs (9:30)

VALHALLA Confused, Horrific Visions, Five Armed Swordsman, Goretorium

THE WHITE HORSE Timbo. Aaron McDonnell, Molly Ruth (8:00) @, Shad Blair (6:00)

#### **SUNDAY** 12/29

3TEN ACL LIVE Rebirth Brass Band (9:00, 6:00) **®** 

THE ABGB Fingerpistol (4:00)

**BATCH CRAFT BEER + KOLACHES** Songbird Fever, Beth Chrisman (6:00)

C-BOY'S Mike & the BurnAlls (10:00), Ginny's Chicken \$#!+ Bingo! w/ Lindsay Beaver & Brad Stivers (3:30)

**CENTRAL MARKET NORTH Mazel** Tov Kocktail Hour (6:00)

**CENTRAL MARKET SOUTH Emie** Durawa (noon)

CHERRYWOOD COFFEEHOUSE Staci Gray (10:00am)

COME & TAKE IT LIVE Tiny, Nemesis, Powerhouse, Sudden Deaf, She Hates Me Not (7:00) @

**CONTINENTAL CLUB** Willie Pipkin & Friends (9:30). Hevbale! (6:30). Marshall Hood (2:30)

CORAL SNAKE Alex C. Mills. Joaquín Frazier & Due South (8:00)

GRUENE HALL Giovannie & the Hired Guns, Mac Hankins & the Moonlighters (8:00) **@** 

**GUERO'S** Chicken Strut (3:00)

HOTEL VEGAS Killer Kaya, Pearl Z, Heavy the Mountain (9:00)

KING BEE Michael Hale Trio feat. Mac Mcintosh (9:00)

**LITTLE LONGHORN** Original Home of Chicken Shit Bingo w/ Jason Roberts

**MOONTOWER SALOON Hippie** Church w/ Leeann Atherton (1:00)

MOZART'S Blake Robert (2:00), Tommy Howard Trio (9:00am)

RADIO COFFEE & BEER Scrapelli (noon)

SAHARA LOUNGE La Personas, BOO85, Jay Wanderer (7:00)

SPEAKEASY Raul Ochoa (8:00) VALHALLA GAWKER, Jason Kane & the Jive, MBUR (9:00) ®

THE WHITE HORSE Armadillo Road, Silo Road (8:00)

#### **MONDAY** 12/30

3TEN ACL LIVE One More Time (Daft Punk tribute) (8:00)

**BATCH CRAFT BEER + KOLACHES** The Jing-a-Ling Super Sing w/ One Ounce Opera & LOLA (7:00, 4:00) ❖

C-BOY'S Paul Val (10:00), Jennifer Foster & the Audacity (6:30)

CHESS CLUB Three Drink Night, Ironing, Dromez, Hexpartner, XXXXXL (9:00)

**CONTINENTAL CLUB** Dale Watson (10:15), Eve Monsees & Mike Buck

CONTINENTAL CLUB GALLERY Michael Hale Trio (10:30), Church on Monday w/ Elias Haslanger (8:30)

ELEPHANT ROOM Jon Blondell & Friends (6:00)

HOLE IN THE WALL Jim Campo, Nicky Xmas. Cody Dosier (8:00)

MOODY CENTER Goose (7:30) ®

MOZART'S Blake Robert (2:00), Ibra Martinez (9:00am)

PARISH An Evening of Pink Floyd w/ Scott Page, Eminence Ensemble (12mid) (1)

SAGEBRUSH Louisiana Surf Department, Trip Cigs, Chili Dawgz, Clayton England ®

SAM'S TOWN POINT Little Elmore Reed Blues Band (10:00), two-step dance lessons w/ Double or Nothing (8:30), Steel Monday w/ Brother Ethan Shaw (7:00)

THE WHITE HORSE Brian Scartocci, Adam Johnson (8:00)

#### **TUESDAY** 12/31

04 CENTER NYE 1984 w/ Madam Radar, the Reverent Few (8:00)

13TH FLOOR NYE w/ the Sword, the Well (8:30)

29TH STREET BALLROOM NYE w/ Narrow Head. Semantix. Paradise. DJ Drug Money, Screw Theory (9:00) ®

3TEN ACL LIVE HeartByrne (9:00)

THE ABGB Warren Hood (7:00), My NextDoor Neighbor (2:00)

ACL LIVE NYE w/ Charley Crockett, Jake Penrod (9:00) ANTONE'S NYE w/ DJ Paul, Geto

Gala, Los Kemet, Blakchyl, Yoso, DJ Mahealani (9:00) **AUDITORIUM SHORES** NYE w/ Third

Eye Blind (7:00) **3 AUSTIN PROPER HOTEL NYE W/** 

Twin Shadow (DJ set), Blackpaw (9:00) **®** 

**BROKEN SPOKE** NYE w/ Alvin Crow (9:00), Paula Russell (6:00)

**BUCK'S BACKYARD** Taj Farrant (8:00) C-BOY'S NYE w/ Mike Flanigin Trio with

& the SMS Band (9:30) **COCONUT CLUB NYE w/ Brett** Johnson, Horse Opera [laser pit]: Stefon Osae, Joaqu.n, Ella Ella [roof-

Jimmie Vaughan, Soulman Sam Evans

top1 (9:00) THE CONCOURSE PROJECT NYE w/ Tinlicker (DJ set), Helsloot (9:00)

**CONTINENTAL CLUB** NYE w/ Tomar & the FCs. Jennifer Foster & the Audacity (9:30), Shelley King & Carolyn Wonderland (6:30)

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NYE w/ Jim Stringer & Friends (10:00)

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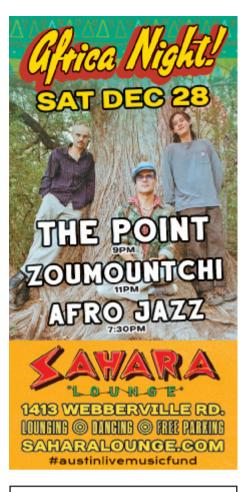
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#### **CLUBS** CONTINUED

THE CUT Kyle Walker (2:00am) @

**DRISKILL BAR Sharon** Bourbonnais Trio (10:00)

**ELEPHANT ROOM NYE w/** Ephraim Owens (8:00)

EMO'S Toadies, Vandoliers (9:00) O O

**EMPIRE CONTROL ROOM** NYE w/ DJs Concept, BFlow, Tylnn, DJ Deking (10:00)

THE FAR OUT Yacht Rock NYE w/ Heavy Mellow, DJ Dead Flowers

**FLAMINGO CANTINA NYE** Reggae Ball w/ Mau Mau Chaplains, DJ DNGR (9:00)

GRUENE HALL NYE w/ Pat Green. Walt Wilkins (10:00) B (A)

**HAUTE SPOT** NYE w/ Stoney LaRue (8:30)

**HOLE IN THE WALL** Hickoids. Clyde & Clem's Whiskey Business. Sodomy Cop. HUNCH (9:00)

HOTEL SAN JOSÉ NYE W/ NEZ (8:00)

**HOTEL VEGAS** NYE Nineties music tribute w/ Another Scorcher Billy Glitter, Broken Gold, Bubba Lucky, Farmer's Wife, more (9:00)

KICK BUTT COFFEE NYF w/ the Brothels, MDC, Peelander-Z, Worm Suicide Shitty Advice Maddie & the Dead Names, Dead Horse Creek, Naga Brujo (7:30)

MOHAWK TR/ST, ADULT., Haunt Me, Holy Water [outside] (9:00) COO

MOODY CENTER Goose (9:00) ®

MOZART'S Haitches (11:30am), Ibra Martinez (9:00am)

**PARAMOUNT THEATRE NYE** w/ Bob Schneider, William Harries Graham (9:00) (3)

PARISH feeble little horse, Sword II (9:00) 🗘 🔞

RADIO COFFEE & BEER Feeling Small, Herdscene (8:00)

RADIO/EAST NYE w/ Golden Dawn Arkestra, Grandmaster, Andrew Cashen (8:00)

SAGEBRUSH NYE w/ Silverada, Aaron McDonnell & the Neon Eagles (8:00)

SAHARA LOUNGE Body Rock ATX: NYE Player's Ball w/ DJ Chorizo Funk & Riders Against the Storm (9:00) 🗘

**SAM'S TOWN POINT** Dan Whitaker (5:00)

SAXON PUB NYE w/ Nik Parr & the Selfless Lovers (8:00)

SOUTH CONGRESS HOTEL NYE w/ TC Superstar, DJ King Louie, more (9:00)

SPEAKEASY NYE w/ the Spazmatics (8:00)

STERLING STAGE NYE Cotton Club Countdown w/ members of Rotel & the Hot Tomatoes

**SUMMIT ROOFTOP NYE W/** CRG (10:00)

VALHALLA NYE w/ Daikaiju, WE Are the Asteroid, Shysters (9:30)

THE WHITE HORSE The Mellows. Blake Whitmire Band, Missy Beth & the Morning Afters (8:00)

#### WEDNESDAY 1/1

**DEVIL MAY CARE** Los Gatos 512 (9:00)

HALF STEP Canned Beets (9:30)

MOZART'S Camila Rivers (11:30am), Ibra Martinez (9:00am) (A)

**SAM'S TOWN POINT** Guthrie Girls (10:00), Libby & the Loveless

THE WHITE HORSE Grant Edward McMahan, Shinglers, Johnny McGowan's Rugged Gents (8:00)

#### THURSDAY 1/2

29TH STREET BALLROOM Free Week w/ Witches Exist, Water Damage, dorothy's 🔾

**BATCH CRAFT BEER +** KOLACHES Amelia Ray (6:00) @

**BROKEN SPOKE** Jeff Hughes & Chaparral (9:00), Tracie Lynn

COME & TAKE IT LIVE Astrixion, Release the Captive, OPAKE, Topdown (7:00) 🚯

**CORAL SNAKE** TC Jester, tiny specks. Side Saddles (8:00)

**EMPIRE CONTROL ROOM** Purgatory Creek VVVOOOLLLUUUMMMEEE. Bernardo Mountainair [control room1 (8:00)

LITTLE LONGHORN Rugged & Right (9:00)

MOHAWK Free Week w/ Creeping Death, Mujeres Podridas, Mugger [outside]; Houses We Die In, NRA, Dewormer [inside] (9:00)

#### **RADIO COFFEE & BEER**

Erik Hokkanen & the Hip Replacements (8:00)

SAHARA LOUNGE Southern' Cookin. Harvey Holt Experience. Josh Langford (8:00), jazz improv iam (6:30)

**SAM'S TOWN POINT** Jimmie Dreams & Friends (10:00), Sentimental Family Band (8:00). two-step dance lessons w/ Double

THE WHITE HORSE Michael Monroe Goodman, Taylor Graves, Fingerpistol (8:00)

or Nothing (6:00)

#### FRIDAY 1/3

#### 29TH STREET BALLROOM

Free Week w/ Borzoi, Ritual, **Gummy Fang** 

BANGER'S The Merles (8:00)

**BATCH CRAFT BEER + KOLACHES** Violet Crown Affair (7:00)

**BROKEN SPOKE** Smith & Reeves Band (9:00)

**BUCK'S BACKYARD** Scotty Alexander (9:00)

C-BOY'S Mel & James [jade room] (10:00)

CHESS CLUB Free Week w/ Pussy Gillette, haha Laughing, Subpar Snatch, Froggy Style (8:00)

#### **COME & TAKE IT LIVE**

Brewtality Inc., Shitty Advice, Bigwood, Kabuto, Worm Suicide (7:00) **(3** 

**CONTINENTAL CLUB** The Blues Specialists (6:30)

CONTINENTAL CLUB GALLERY Josh Perdue (10:30)

CORAL SNAKE Stalefish, Leo Napoleon, Motorsports, HUNCH (9:00) **®** 

**ELYSIUM** Free Week w/ Haunt Me, Most Modern, Gaven Ludington (9:00)

**EMPIRE CONTROL ROOM Free** Week w/ JaRon Marshall, Trejo, DJ Hair of the Dog [garage]; Magic Rockers of Texas, Lola Tried, Tied Up, Half Dream [control room]

THE FAR OUT Hail Marley, Sahara Allstars (8:00)

#### FRIENDLY RIO MARKET

Portnoy's Complaint, Malaysiabrunei, Unrestricted Internet Access (7:00)

**HAUTE SPOT** Deadeye (7:00)

KNOMAD BAR Wild Heaven. Prom Threat, Losers, Snack Supper, Hooray Internet (7:00)

LITTLE LONGHORN The Big Gun Show (6:00)

MOHAWK Free Week w/ Being Dead, Rattlesnake Milk, Bubba Lucky [outside]: Cactus Lee. JD Clark, Brody Price [inside] (9:00)

MONKS JAZZ CLUB Adam Hutcheson & Russel Haight Ouintet (10:00, 8:00)

RADIO/EAST King Warbler. Ramesh Srivastava, Batty Jr. (8:00)

**SAGEBRUSH** The Point, Money Chicha, Hotel De Nova, Los Alcos (8:00)

SAHARA LOUNGE Huerta Culture, Mario y Su Timbeko, Unico (8:00)

SAM'S TOWN POINT Neighborhood Bullys (10:00),

Stereo Hum (8:00) SAXON PUB Carly Jo Jackson (10:00), Jon Dee Graham (8:00),

TG BAD (6:00) STUBB'S Free Week w/ Leila Sunier, Kiki Machine, the Irons.

Vintage Pictures (9:30) SWAN DIVE Free Week w/ Rookie Park, Banged Out, Glass Mansions (DJ set)

VALHALLA Free Week w/ Chancla Fight Club, Ampersand, the Swift Drag, oogWei (9:00)

**THE WATER TANK Meg Groves** (5:30)

**THE WHITE HORSE** Paige Plaisance, Weldon Henson, Jack Fister's Wildlife (8:00), Jacob Alan Jaeger (5:30)

#### SATURDAY 1/4

3TEN ACL LIVE Cracker (8:00)

THE ABGB Darci Carlson Band

ANTONE'S Jackie Venson, Sydney Wright (8:00) 🗘

THE BALLROOM Free Week w/ TEAR DUNGEON, Think No Think fifi knifefight

BANGER'S Sachin & the Porch (8:00)

**BATCH CRAFT BEER + KOLACHES** Vintage Ties Ouartet (7:00)

**BUCK'S BACKYARD** Bo Luna

CHESS CLUB Free Week w/ Leche, Queen Serene, Guiding Light, Sugar World, Prehuman (9:00) **@** 

**COME & TAKE IT LIVE** The Mosh Network fifth anniversary w/ Foreword, Future Ghost, Mass of Amara. Waves in April. Inside the Hollow, Blackhat (5:30) ®

CONTINENTAL CLUB Sarah Barlow (10:30). Elvis Preslev tribute w/ Ted Roddy & the King Coniure Orchestra, Rosie Flores & the Ramblers, & Marti Brom  $(7:00) \Omega$ 

**CONTINENTAL CLUB** GALLERY Josh Perdue (10:30)

ELYSIUM Free Week w/ Sine. Telemetry, In a Darkened Room, Art Versus Industry (9:00)

**EMPIRE CONTROL ROOM Free** Week w/ Gilded Lows, sleep well... GOOD., Font [garage]; Pelvis Wrestley, Barb, Retro Cowgirl [control room] (8:00)

THE FAR OUT Return to Ruins. WhiskeyDick, Bluebonnet Plague, EL GALLO! de ALIEN TEJAS, Ari (7:00)

**GRUENE HALL** The Lowdown Drifters, Wade Forster (9:00)

**HAUTE SPOT** Suede Austin (7:00)

**HOLE IN THE WALL** Little Mazarn, Chris Acker, Sentimental Family Band (9:00) 🕶 🗷

LITTLE LONGHORN Shotguns Ready (9:00), ATX Pearl (6:00)

MOHAWK Free Week w/ Ringo Deathstarr, fawn, Dottie [outside] (9:00); Night Drive, Jet Cemetery, Pax Laurel [inside] (10:00)

MONKS JAZZ CLUB Jerome Gillespie II Quintet (10:00, 8:00)

PARISH Chris Travis (8:00) @

RADIO/EAST Simon Says (Paul Simon tribute) (8:00)

SAGEBRUSH Brother Thunder, Nether Hour, Nik Parr & the Selfless Lovers (8:00)

SAHARA LOUNGE Africa Night w/ Zoumountchi, Frederico7, Afro Jazz (7:00) 🔾

STUBB'S Free Week w/ Variety, Next of Kin, Geto Gala (9:30)

SWAN DIVE Free Week w/ French Film, Allwax, Lauren Lakis

VALHALLA Free Week w/ Duel, Transit Method, Megafauna, Demons My Friends (9:00)







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#### A Traveler's Needs

(NR. 90 min.)

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## A Symphony of Horror Is Revived Once More ...

Robert Eggers finds new life in an undead classic by RICHARD WHITTAKER

Vampires are not sexy. It doesn't matter whether we're talking about Twilight or Interview With the Vampire, the fetishization of the bloodsucker depends on ignoring the fact that, whether you call them vrykolakas, bruxa, obur, or strigoi, they are supernatural mass murderers.

To see that is to see the truth of the myth, and so it's easy to imagine Robert Eggers coming out of watching Francis Ford Coppola's Bram Stoker's Dracula and wondering why everyone was slavering over the beast that rips throats and damns souls. It could explain why Nosferatu - his remake of F. W. Murnau's seminal expressionist horror Nosferatu - Eine Symphonie des Grauens remembers in every frame that Count Orlok is a creature of darkness, death, corruption, and

Murnau's 1922 classic is an unlicensed adaptation of Dracula and follows its story closely (closely enough that Stoker's widow sued him). With both book and film now in the public domain, writer/director Eggers is free to give his own spin on Henrik Galeen's original script. However, as the

saying goes, why mess with perfection? The story remains basically the same: In 19th century Germany, promising young lawyer Thomas Hutter (Hoult) is dispatched to the Carpathian Mountains for what he thinks is a simple property sale to a foreign aristocrat. What he doesn't know is that Orlok is nosferatu, the undead, the slayer, the carrier of plague, who aims to destroy the city of Wisborg. He is ancient evil pitted against modernity - a conflict that only scientist/ alchemist prof. Albin Eberhart Von Franz (a suitably unhinged Dafoe) understands - and this devil has particular, malicious plans for Hutter's wife, Ellen (Depp).

Ever the historian, Eggers doesn't try to rebut or rewire Murnau's work. Instead, he elaborates upon it and makes reference without simple emulation. He has stepped onto this unholy land and paid perfect tribute. Just as he plays with Murnau's themes of doom and darkness, so his oppressively Gothic visuals takes vital imagery - a shadow of a hand on a wall, crosses on sand dunes, a driverless coach at midnight - and gives them new, corrupted life. Moreover, his solutions to some of the more antiquated and problematic elements of the story are subtle and ingenious, such as how the Szgany locals are depicted.

What Eggers truly comprehends is that Nosferatu is not about sex. It's about power. Pure, malevolent, selfish, devastating power. His version of Orlok is not the rat-faced horror so memorably summoned by Max Schreck in the original, and fascinatingly copied by Klaus Kinski in 1979's Nosferatu the Vampyre. Instead, as bone chillingly portrayed by Bill Skarsgård, he's a giant, rotten warrior, and possibly the closest we've seen on screen to Vlad Tepes, the reallife Transylvanian historical inspiration for Dracula. The moment that Hutter crosses the broken threshold of Orlok's decrepit castle, he is a fragile insect before a dark god, and so it is for all who come under his sway. It is true horror - not simply shock or grossness, but the absolute terror of doom. It's what Murnau understood, and what Eggers has always understood. All of his films - The Witch, The Lighthouse, and The Northman have focused on characters contending with their lack of control, and in Nosferatu that theme is played on a greater scale than ever through the tragedy of Ellen.

The original centered on her as the purehearted wife who sacrifices herself to conquer evil. For Depp's explosive, shocking interpretation, sex is present, yes, but it's corrupted by Orlok. There's nothing erotic about this wheezing, rotting, carnivorous corpse, and Eggers rebuts the "sexy vampire" nonsense by depicting a supernatural abusive relationship. If you think that there's anything sexy about how he rips the throats from babes, that's on you.

#### Nosferatu

**DIRECTED BY ROBERT EGGERS.** STARRING BILL SKARSGÅRD, NICHOLAS **HOULT, LILY-ROSE DEPP, AARON** TAYLOR-JOHNSON, EMMA CORRIN, WILLEM DAFOE, RALPH INESON, SIMON MCBURNEY. (R, 132 MIN.)



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#### BABY DID A BAD BAD THING

"Is that what you want?"

It's a charged question. Depending on the tone, it can be an accusation, a taunt, or a come-on. And to answer the question head-on can be an act of extreme vulnerability, trust, and bravery.

Or "radical honesty," to borrow the eye-rolling corporate speak bandied about at a robotics company run by Romy Mathis (Kidman, sloughing off a gone-stale run of prestige-lite, small-screen mysteries like The Perfect Couple and The Undoing). Romy is seemingly successful and well-liked, but she's nonetheless feeling pressure from all sides: a boss demanding results: a PR flak, coaching her on the correct image to project (confident but not cocky, super-competent but approachable. strong but soft, and so on); a younger generation nipping at her heels; her feminist teenage daughters, sneering at Mom for getting Botox; and her husband (Banderas), a sensitive theatre director who's actually not all that sensitive to what Romy likes in bed.

Babygirl starts with a bang; there's audible moaning before a single image is shown. But pretty quickly we glean what we're watching here - loving if boring coitus between husband and wife - is not at all what Romy is into, and that performative moaning is not at all what Romy in orgasm sounds like. (It's actually closer to the sound of dry heaving, to be honest.) For the real deal, Romy has to rely on her own industrious hands - that is, until she meets working-class Samuel (Triangle of Sadness' Dickinson), a new intern at her company 30 years her junior, and initiates

an affair that could be professionally and personally ruinous.

Babygirl is the third feature from Dutch writer-director Halina Reijn, following up 2022 indiehit Bodies Bodies Bodies, and it's similarly hybridized. In genre and tonality, Babygirl defies easy categorization: Depending on the angle (or how winking the latest needle drop is), it's a psychosexual thriller, a corporate satire, a pushback on beauty, aging, and gendered expectations, and a sex-positive, pro-kink examination of figuring out what you like and feeling good about asking for it. (It's also destined to join another Nicole Kidman erotic drama. Eves Wide Shut, on "surprise. it's actually a Christmas movie!" holiday watchlists.) For all the provocativeness of its premise, Babygirl is notably committed to nuance, even if the pacing doesn't always feel intuitive. It marks a major leveling up for Reijn, cements Dickinson's rising star status, and reminded me - for the first time in a long time - of what a truly terrific Kidman performance looks like ... and, yep, sounds like, too.

- KIMBERLEY JONES

#### **Babygirl**

DIRECTED BY HALINA REIJN. STARRING NICOLE KIDMAN, HARRIS DICKINSON, ANTONIO BANDERAS. SOPHIE WILDE. **ESTHER MCGREGOR, VAUGHAN REILLY.** (R. 114 MIN.) \*\*\*

#### **PLUGGING INTO BOB DYLAN AT AN INSTRUMENTAL MOMENT IN TIME**

Walk the Line filmmaker James Mangold returns to the milieu of Sixties singer-songwriters with this contained portrait of Bob Dylan. Timothée Chalamet plays Dylan from the pivotal stretch of 1961 to 1965, from his open mic early days in Greenwich Village to the Newport Folk Festival barnburner where he famously went electric. (Johnny Cash - portrayed this time by Mangold's Logan baddie Boyd Holbrook - also pops in now and then to growl sagely.)

That evolution - from a complete unknown to folk hero to Judas with an amplifier - complicates Dylan's relationships both professional and romantic: To-rock-or-not-to-rock is presented as a kind of kill-vour-daddies conundrum vis-à-vis his mentors Pete Seeger (Norton) and Woody Guthrie (McNairy), while his love life keeps snagging between art student Sylvie Russo (Fanning, in a lightly fictionalized version of the real-life Suze Rotolo) and Joan Baez (Barbaro), a much bigger star than Dylan when they first met.

That may sound like enough plot to hang a movie around, but Mangold and Jay Cocks' script (adapted from Elijah Wald's book Dylan Goes Electric! Newport, Seeger, Dylan, and the Night That Split the Sixties) is weirdly thin. It presumes viewers are learned enough to already know what role Dave Van Ronk played in the scene and which disease cruelly sent Guthrie to a premature death, but not sophisticated enough to intuit Dylan's discomfort with his skyrocketing fame or chafing at expectations to stay in line, which the film dramatizes with all the subtlety of a hammer to the hand. Uniformly. the picture is admiring of Dylan, and entirely unilluminating.

Mangold has cast his hagiography well: Despite barely written roles. Barbaro and Fanning demand your attention; Norton makes sure Seeger's fundamental decency doesn't get subsumed by the aw-shucks accent; and Norbert Leo Butz heroically accepts his assignment to play Alan Lomax as a sniveling villain. (You'd think the movie would have more respect for a guy willing to throw a punch over his ideals.) As for the main act? Chalamet embodies Dylan in a quite literal sense; he's clearly studied the tape and does a more than passable mimicry of Dylan's voice and performing style. Problem is, it's an intentionally opaque characterization, in a film overcrammed with musical performances onstage, in the studio, on the bed noodling on a new song - which basically means half the movie is like watching pretty good karaoke. I don't know who the audience is for that, but it ain't me, babe. - KIMBERLEY JONES

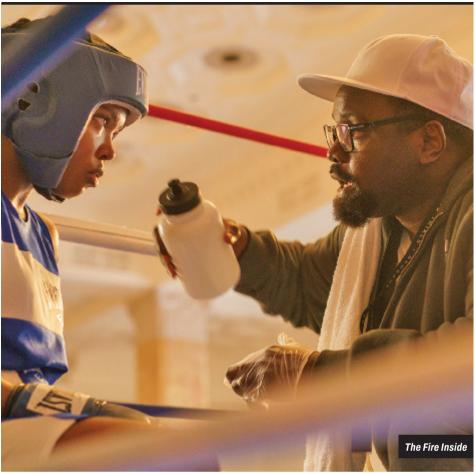
#### **A Complete Unknown**

**DIRECTED BY JAMES MANGOLD.** STARRING TIMOTHÉE CHALAMET. EDWARD NORTON, ELLE FANNING, MONICA BARBARO, SCOOT MCNAIRY. (R, 140 MIN.)

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## **NOT QUITE A KNOCKOUT**

"We don't train no girls." When coach Jason Crutchfield (Henry) dismisses wannabe boxer Claressa Shields from his gym in Flint, Mich., it's inevitable that he'll get shown up. If you know anything about boxing, you'll know that young Claressa showed everyone, with an undefeated professional career and 15 titles in five different weight classes. Nicknamed T-Rex, and played here by fellow Michigander Ryan Destiny, hers is the definitional rags-toriches boxing story – so much so that it seems like a cliche.

That's the real fight for first-time director and Oscar-nominated cinematographer Rachel Morrison (*Mudbound*, *Black Panther*): to make Shields' story feel unique, to really wrangle with what it is to become a successful athlete in a sport when all the cards of race and class and gender and geography are stacked against you. Yet the lightweight script by Barry Jenkins – concentrating on Shields' run at Olympic gold in 2012 – never really lands a punch on any of these topics. Nor does it truly grapple with who Shields is, beyond her being a hardscrabble hero. If anything, the script is far more interested in Crutchfield as her coach, proxy father, and

advocate. Indeed, it's only after the Olympics that it gets interesting, as Shields has to decide whether to be a regular teen or keep on striving for the dream.

Yet it's all undercut by surprisingly flat cinematography from music video veteran Rina Yang, a tepid strings-and-piano score by Tamar-kali (*The Assistant, Shirley*), and generally lackadaisical pacing from Morrison. There's an important message in here, especially when it comes to the financial inequality between men and women in sports. But rather than using the 17-year-old Shields' pugnacious attitude to really explore how she landed body blows on the sexist establishment, *The Fire Inside* just ends up shadow boxing.

#### The Fire Inside

DIRECTED BY RACHEL MORRISON.
STARRING RYAN DESTINY, BRIAN TYREE
HENRY, OLUNIKÉ ADELIYI, DE'ADRE
AZIZA. (PG-13, 109 MIN.)

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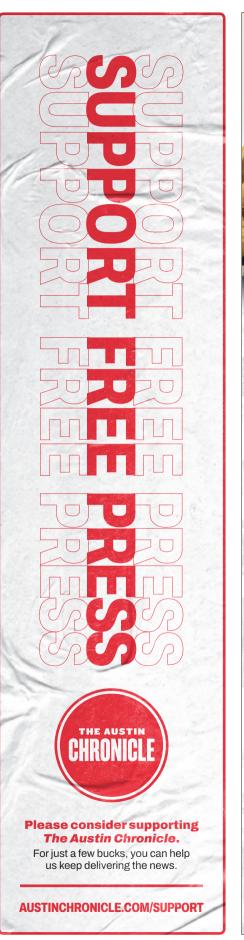








IMAGE VIA BANDCAME

# It's the End of the World as We Know It, and Bernardo Mountainair Feels Fine

Nolan Potter guitarist Dillon Fernandez issues his own psych-prog lament by carys anderson

Behold: a flourishing, progressive rockinspired sector of Austin's long-fabled psych scene. KUTX named the costumed, 13-piece funk collective Grandmaster its June Artist of the Month; self-proclaimed "bozo rockers from space" Gumma emerged from a threeyear recording hiatus to release the November LP Sweetness of Nothing; and, oh yeah -Nolan Potter continues to issue a plethora of protracted sonic experiments, either alone or with his Nightmare Band.

Dillon Fernandez has long backed Potter on guitar, so it's no surprise that his solo project would revel in the pocket of a similar cosmic realm. Performed, recorded, and engineered entirely by the multi-instrumentalist himself, Dark Times in the Land of Plenty landed on Bandcamp Dec. 5 as Fernandez's second full-length album as Bernardo Mountainair.

Like its predecessor, 2023's Songs of Space & Time, Dark Times was initially conceived during the pandemic, though its delayed world premiere - some six weeks before Donald Trump's reinauguration - feels equally prescient. Still, despite its dire political origins, the record doesn't wallow - sonically, at least. Instead, its seven tracks ring out long and pleasant, slow-swirling guitars and

spacey synths concocting a blissful, multisuite experience.

Take "Bloodlust," track two after the whimsical crescendo of opener/lead single "It's What You Feel," which possesses no such vengeful energy. Twinkling keyboards and heavy reverb ooze like a Mac DeMarco song, and Fernandez sings of our collective downward spiral ("I fear the worst is vet to come," "It's not alright, I say") with the same serene quality as that Canadian slacker. Later. a tinny drum machine beat propels "Deine Mütze Bitte," German for "your hat please," where the artist's boyish vocals again accept an uncertain future. "The world is going to change and you will see/ That there's more to life and anything you could ever ask to be," he promises.

Bernardo Mountainair evades positive monotony with the occasional tone shift. Initially a relaxed bossa nova, 10-minute centerpiece "Mirrored Vision" smartly leaves the iazz club behind about halfway through and rockets into space instead. The track's lush instrumentals drop off, leaving only one sinister guitar line, then 8-bit synths, and, finally, the type of downtuned vocals you'd attribute to a masked cartoon villain.

This grim downturn flows into "A Pensive Moment in Chaos," a Dark Side of the Moonstyle atmospheric breather where slowstrummed chords and a sampled voice pondering "vibrations of color" and "vibrations of sound" offer a contemplative halfway-mark pause. Only a temporary sulk, of course, that external voice reminds us: "The important thing is to be able to come back to reality" - and cues our David Gilmour to sing his own words.

Wrapping with "Vape Her Wave" - a play on the niche 2010s genre vaporwave - Dark Times reinstates Fernandez's sense of humor, though the closer opts for more liverecorded originals, not chopped and screwed jazz loops. "It feels like I just might lose my mind this time," the auteur croons, while his guitar gently weeps.

The world is ending, Bernardo Mountainair knows. On Dark Times in the Land of Plenty, however, he wonders: Why not go out with a good soundtrack?

#### Bernardo Mountainair

DARK TIMES IN THE LAND OF PLENTY (SELF-RELEASED)

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No. 873

#### Across

- 1. Tibetans or Thais
- 7. Racer
- Yarborough 11. 1972 treaty subj.
- 14. Two-seated carriage
- 15. "Not guilty," e.g.
- 16. Stephen of "The Crying Game"
- 17. Question after the fact
- 19. Mouse catcher
- 20. Billiards relative
- 21. Group of 100 in Washington
- 23. Sean Connery. for one
- 26. Gun's recoil
- 29. With regrets
- 30. Sounds of doubt
- 31. Open to evervone
- 33. Gets the picture
- 34. Chip dip
- 36. Assumed name
- 38. Ballpark figure
- 43. Closes in on
- 44. Glows
- 46. Auditors
- 49. Brought up
- 52. Be mistaken
- 53. Broadcaster
- 55. Noted initials in 70's-80's comedy 5. Prefix meaning
- 56. Change for a twenty
- 57. Violent, perhaps
- 59. Lascivious look
- 61. On the (fleeing)
- 62. Exhibiting good judgement
- 68. Here, in France
- 69. Aroma
- 70. No longer pale

- 71. Albany is its cap.
- 72. Refusals
- 73. Certain home improvers

#### Down

- 1. Capp and Capone
- 2. Freelancer's enc.
- 3. Co. name ender
- 4. Take in
- "one-billionth" 6. Numbers game
- 7. PC's brain
- 8. A pint, maybe
- 9. More or
- 10. Lets up
- 11. Skee-Ball site
- 12. Fab Four member
- 13. Buccaneer's buddies

- 18. Smooth-talking
- - 24. Burn a bit

  - 27. Enduring literary work
  - 28. Bagpiper's wear
  - 31. Use a beeper 32. LI doubled
  - 35. Cliched movie
  - ending
  - 37. In rush 39. Laugh sound
  - 40. Extended periods

  - 42. Make, as money

  - 46. Comic who quipped "No comment" is a comment

- 47. Illegal copying
- 22. Long Island county 48. Dumas duelist
- 23. French possessive 50. Normandy battle site
- 25. Capital on a fjord 51. Occasions
  - 54. Scout's mission
  - 56. The way things
  - are going 58. Birdbrain
  - 60. Actor Morales
  - 63. One of the Three Stooges
  - Doubtfire"
  - 65. Direction opposite SSW
- 41. Arborist's concern 66. To be, in Barcelona
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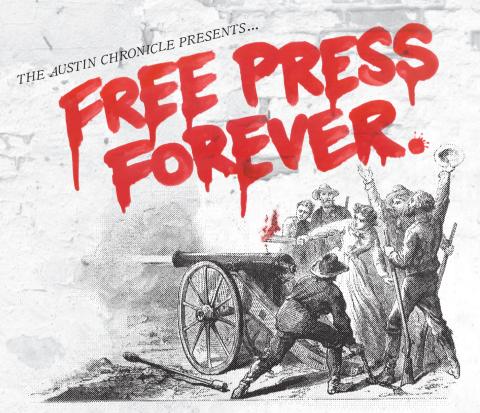


How'd you do? See this week's puzzle solution here: AUSTINCHRONICLE.COM/CROSSWORD









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# The Luy Doc

I have been feuding with my boyfriend for the last week about his general messiness and lack of hygiene. For the past few years he has really let himself go. His clothes are all old and worn out. Some of them even have stains. His hair always looks a little bit messy - which was sort of cute at first but now that I know why it's messy it's not cute anymore. He just doesn't care. Back (five years ago?) before the pandemic, he dressed a little bit better, but doesn't go into the office anymore so, in his opinion, there's no reason to get dressed up at all other than to wear an unstained shirt for his Zoom calls. His hair is always messy, which isn't entirely his fault – his hair is really wavy and hard to control – but he still makes no effort. There are times when he goes two or three days without showering or using deodorant. I won't even



"Smelly Guy"

go near him sometimes because he gets so gamey. The last straw was last week when we went to my work holiday party. Even though he did put on a pair of jeans and an unstained shirt, his hair looked like a rat's nest and he argued with me when I asked him to try and comb it. He barely made an effort even though we were going to be around my co-workers all night. At some point about halfway through the party I overheard two of my co-workers complaining about how bad he smelled. To be perfectly honest. I had barely noticed because I am so used to it. I was mortified. I grabbed him and we left early and on the way home I told him what happened at the party. He brushed it off like it was no big deal and said they were just being bitchy. I told him that I know these women and they are not bitchy, they were being honest about his body odor. We went back and forth about it all night and we are still arguing today. How do I get him to see this is a serious issue? I don't know if I can be with him if he continues to act this way. How do I get him to clean up his act? - Girl with the Smelly Guy

As human beings, there are many things that are outside of our control. We squirt out of a bloody vadge onto a wet rock that's hurtling through space at 67,000 miles per hour through a cold, empty void that stretches for an eternity. There is only one exit, and it looks even darker, so we put on a brave face, pull ourselves together, and try to make something out of this baffling, possibly meaningless earthly existence. We get up, wash our asses, brush our teeth, throw on some clothes, go to school, buy houses and cars and Red Bottoms and face-lifts and try to convince ourselves that we're fundamentally different than some squealing, shit-stained hog in a mud pit, but the bottom line is: We can never be certain.

So, either nothing matters or everything matters. Personally, I lean toward the latter. Everything is a choice. We have literally one job on this planet. That is to give a shit. To care. For me, that care starts every morning with a luxuriously long, Hollywood shower that includes soap, shampoo, and probably some other stuff that's slowly killing the planet but making me feel and smell amazing - which is how I want everyone else to feel and smell as well - including your boyfriend. Honestly, that's kind of an unmovable baseline for me. Are there are days when I fall short of the mark? Sure, but they're few. Nobody needs to go camping for more than a weekend, right? I don't think it's wrong to expect good hygiene from the people with whom I live and associate. It's part of the social contract. You break it, all bets are off. I can't be around you. Call me bitchy if you want. Just do it from a distance

Now, I realize having standards about personal hygiene might seem a little bougie, but Western civilization didn't get to where it is today by wallowing in raw sewage. Were we a few thousand years behind Eastern civilization? Yes, but we caught up eventually. It would be a shame to let all that insanely slow progress go to waste out of sheer laziness. Tell your boyfriend that you are not going to tell him how to live his life. Instead, tell him how you are going to live your life: without him - at least until he learns to bathe and put together a decent wardrobe. I wouldn't hold my breath - even though I imagine you're pretty good at it by now.

Need some advice from the Suv Doc? Send your questions to luvdoc@austinchronicle.com.



### **Mr. Smarty Pants Knows**

The 1900 model of the Woods Electric car could go 100 miles on one charge. The Elf on a Shelf tradition began in 2005.

In the 19th century, many North Americans participated in a Christmas bird hunt to count how many birds they could kill. In December 1900, ornithologist Frank Chapman proposed counting birds rather than killing them. The Audubon Society holds a Christmas Bird Count from December 14 to January 5.

Actor William Frawley, best known for portraying Fred Mertz on I Love Lucy, played the part of an adviser in Miracle on 34th Street. He warns a judge about the political consequence of ruling there is no Santa Claus.

If you're in Rochester, N.Y., and order a "white hot," you'll get an uncured hot dog made from a combination of uncured and unsmoked pork, beef, and veal.

Above is information that Mr. Smarty Pants read in a book, a magazine, or the newspaper; heard on the radio; saw on television; or overheard at a party. Got facts? Write to Mr. Smarty Pants at the Chronicle, or email mrpants@austinchronicle.com

## FREE WILL ASTROLOGY DEC. 27 - JAN. 2

by Rob Brezsny \_

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Since 1985, musician David Gilmour has led Pink Floyd. The hand has sold over 250 million records. He's in the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame in both the UK and the U.S. But my favorite thing about Gilmour is that he's a passionate activist who has crusaded for animal rights, environmentalism, poverty, and human rights. A few years ago, he auctioned off 120 of his guitars, raising over \$21 million for an environmentalist charity. In accordance with astrological omens, I propose we make him one of your inspirational role models in 2025. Capricorn. May he mobilize you to use your stature and clout to perform an array of good works that are of service to your world.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Aquarian author Virginia Woolf extolled the virtues of cultivating a supple soul that thrives on change. She pledged to be relentless in her commitment to be authentically herself and not succumb to groupthink. I recommend you make these two of your featured themes in 2025. To inspire your efforts, I will quote her radical perspective at length: "Movement and change are the essence of our being; rigidity is death; conformity is death: let us say what comes into our heads, repeat ourselves, contradict ourselves, fling out the wildest nonsense, and follow the most fantastic fancies without caring what the world does or thinks or says."

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): In 1992, two friends promised each other that if either of them ever won the lottery, they would share it with the other. Twenty-eight years later, that's exactly what happened. In 2020, Thomas Cook bought a ticket that turned out to be the winner of the Powerhouse jackpot in Wisconsin. He called Joseph Feeney with the good news. After paying taxes, both men were \$5.7 million richer. Lam not predicting the exact same sequence for your future, Pisces. But like Cook and Feeney, I expect you will glean pleasing rewards generated from seeds planted in the past.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): In 2025, I would love for you to specialize in making new connections and deepening your existing connections. I hope you will summon extra creativity and panache as you regularly blend your beautiful energies with others' beautiful energies. I predict you will thrive on linking elements that should be linked but have never been before. What do you think, Aries? Does it sound fun to become a playful master of mixing and combining? Would you enjoy generating splashy unifications that serve your dreams?

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): "Confidence is 10 percent hard work and 90 percent delusion," declared Taurus comedian Tina Fey. But I believe you will disprove that assessment in the coming months. The work you do will be unusually replete with grace and dynamism. It will be focused and diligent work, ves. but more importantly, it will be smart work that's largely free of delusion. That's why I'm inclined to revise Fey's formula for your sake. In 2025, your brimming levels of confidence will be primarily due to your fine, conscientious, effective work.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): In the 1960s, a Swedish journalist tried an experiment. He wanted to see if art critics could distinguish between abstract paintings made by skilled artists and those created by a 4-year-old chimpanzee whose pseudonym was Pierre Brassau, Surprise! Many of the critics treated all the paintings with equal respect. One even gave special praise to Pierre Brassau, describing his strokes of color as having "the delicacy of a ballet dancer." I'm authorizing you to unleash your inner Pierre Brassau in the coming months, Gemini. Be an innocent rookie, a newcomer with great instincts, an exuberant amateur who specializes in fun experiments. Do you know what beginner's mind is? You approach every experience with zero assumptions or expectations, as if you were seeing everything for the first time. For more, read this: wikipedia.org/wiki/Shoshin.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Ohio's Cuyahoga River used to catch on fire regularly. The cause was pollution. For a hundred years, industries had poured their wastes into the waterway. The surface was often dotted with oil slicks. But after a notorious river. fire in 1969, the locals decided to remedy the situation, aided by the newly established Environmental Protection Agency, Today. the Cuyahoga still isn't 100% clean, but it's far better. It hosts kayaking, fishing, and paddleboarding. I propose we use its rehabilitation as a symbol for you in 2025. You will have welcome opportunities to clean up messes that have lingered for far too long. Please take full advantage of these cosmic invitations to sween karmic debris out of your life

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Steve Jobs, founder of Apple computers, said, "The people who are crazy enough to think they can change the world are the ones who do." I propose that you make this one of your mottoes in 2025. More than ever before, you will have exceptional power to transform the environments you share with others. You will have an enhanced ability to revise and reinvigorate the systems and the rules you use. Don't underestimate your influence during the coming months, Leo. Assume that people will be listening especially closely to your ideas and extra receptive to be affected by you.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): I will give you four related terms to describe your key motif in 2025: 1) Your Soul's Code. 2) Your Master Plan. 3) Your Destiny's Blueprint. 4) Your Mission Statement. All four are rooted in this epic question: What is your overarching purpose here on Earth, and how are you fulfilling it? The coming months will be a time when you can make dramatic progress in formulating vivid, detailed visions of the life you want to live. You can also undertake robust action steps to make those visions more of a practical reality. I encourage you to write your big-picture, long-range dreams in a special notebook or a file on your tech device. Keep adding to the text throughout the coming

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): People in India were the first to discover diamonds buried in the earth. Most historians believe it happened in the 4th century BCE. For the next two millennia, India remained the only source of diamonds. Finally, new stashes were found in Brazil in 1725 and in South Africa in the 1870s. Let's use this 2,000- year gap as a metaphor for your life. I suspect that far too many months have passed since you have located a fresh source of a certain treasure or bounty you crave. That will change in 2025. Here come long-delayed blessings!

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): In my vision of your life in 2025, you will dramatically enhance how togetherness works for you. Below are four questions to help guide your explorations and breakthroughs. 1) Is it feasible to change yourself in ways that enable you to have a more satisfying relationship with romantic love? 2) Will you include your intimate relationships as an essential part of your spiritual path - and vice versa? 3) What work on yourself can you do to heal your old wounds and thereby make yourself a better partner and collaborator? 4) Can you help your best allies to heal their wounds and thereby become better partners and col-

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): In Japanese, the word for "frog" sounds similar to the word meaning "to return." That's one reason frogs have been lucky in some circles of Japanese culture. They symbolize the blessing that occurs when travelers return home safely, or when health is restored, or when spent money is replenished. I bring this to your attention, Sagittarius, because I suspect 2025 will be a time when satisfying and enjoyable returns will be a key theme. Consider keeping the likeness of a lovable frog in your living space.

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#### **PROFESSIONAL**

#### EXECUTIVE LEADER

Whole Foods Market Services, Inc. seeks Executive Leader Sourcing Process and Analytics, in Austin, TX to oversee the development of our upstream procurement function. May req up to 20% domestic & intn'l travel time. Partial telework allowed but must live within commuting distance of Austin, TX. Mail resume: HR – GM, Whole Foods Market Services, Inc., 550 Bowie St, Austin, TX 78703. Ref EL171 in response.

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AN APPLICATION **IS BEING MADE** WITH THE TEXAS **ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE COMMISSION FOR** A MIXED BEVRAGE **PERMIT BY UNIVERSITY FOOD** SERVICES, INC. D/B/A **UNIVERSITY FOOD SERVICES, INC. LOCATED** AT 2300 ORACLE **WAY, AUSTIN, TRAVIS COUNTY, TX 78741. OFFICERS OF SAID CORPORATION ARE SHANNON MARLIANI...** PRESIDENT/EXEC VP/ TREASURER/DIRECTOR AND DANIEL SLEAR. SECERTARY.

**AN APPLICATION IS BEING MADE** 

WITH THE TEXAS **ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE COMMISSION FOR** A MIXED BEVRAGE **PERMIT WITH A FOOD AND BEVERAGE CERTIFICATE AND A LATE HOURS CERTIFICATE BY** TRIBUTE HOSPITALITY, LLC D/B/A AC **MARRIOTT AUSTIN HILL COUNTRY. LOCATED** AT 7415 SOUTHWEST **PKWY. BLDG 8. SUITE 100, AUSTIN, TRAVIS COUNTY. TX 78735. MANAING MEMBER OF** SAID LIMITED LIABILITY **COMPANY IS DWIGHT** H. CURRY.

**Application has been** made with Texas

Alcoholic Beverage Commission for a **Mixed Beverage** Permit by BanJoo INC to be located at 5222 Burnet Rd. STE 500. Austin. Travis County, Texas 78756. Officers of said company are Jeaphil Chun, President, Vice President, and Secretary.

**Application has been** made with the Texas Alcoholic Beverage **Commission for** a Mixed Beverage **Permit by San** Juanita's LLC DBA San Juanita's Tacos to be located at 4619 S Congress Avenue.

Ste: E. Austin. Travis Co., Texas. Member of said LLC is Marina G. Moncada – Member

**Application has been** made with the Texas **Alcoholic Beverage** Commission for a **Mixed Beverage Permit by Mort** Subite, LLC dba Mort **Subite located at 308** Congress Ave., Austin, Travis County. Texas. The Managers of said limited liability company are James O. Houchins. Richard O. Clements, and James Jackson Leach.

**Application has been** made with the Texas **Alcoholic Beverage** 

**Commission for a Wine** and Beer Retailer's **On-Premises (BG)** permit by 4751 E PARMER LN LLC dba **TECH FUEL MARKET, to** be located at 4751 E PARMER LN, AUSTIN, TRAVIS COUNTY. TEXAS 78754. Officers of said **Corporation are ABID MOMIN Managing Member IRFAN DHUKA Managing Member** 

**Application has been** made with the Texas Alcoholic Beverage **Commission for** a Wine and Malt **Beverage Retailers** on-premise permit by Coffee Traders

Inc dba Texas Coffee Traders, to be located at 3223 E 7th St, Austin, 78702, Travis County, Texas. Officer of said corporation is Alli Anderson, General Manager.

CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS CAUSE NO: D-1-FM-20-006084 To: EZEQUIEL YAHUEDT RODRIGUEZ GUZMAN and to all who it may concern. Respondent(s); GREETINGS: YOU HAVE BEEN SUED. You may employ an attorney. If you or your attorney do not file a written answer with the clerk who issued this citation by 10:00 A.M. on the Monday next following the expiration of twenty days after you were served this citation and petition, a default judgment may be taken against you. Find out more at TexasLawHelp.org. YOU ARE HEREBY COM-MANDED to appear and answer before the Honorable District Court, 98TH DISTRICT COURT, Travis County, Texas, at the Civil Family Court Facil-

ity of said County in Austin.

A.M. of the Monday next after expiration of Twenty days from the date of service of this cita tion, then and there to answe the PETITION TO MODIFY PARENT-CHILD RELATION-SHIP, filed by, BELINDA AGUINAGA ORTIZ filed in said court of Travis County, on JULY 08, 2022, against, EZEQUIEL YAHUEDT RODRIGUEZ GUZMAN and said suit being number D-1-FM-20-006084 on the docket of said Court, and entitled "IN THE INTEREST OF J. R. CHILD(REN)". The nature of said suit is a request to MODIFY THE PAR-ENT-CHILD RELATIONSHIP of the parties, appoint managing and possessory conservators, and divide the estate of the parties in a manner that the court deems just and right. The date and place of birth of the child (children) who is (are) the subject of the suit: JESSICA GUADALUPE RODRIGUEZ AGUINAGA D.O.B 02/08/2011 The Court has authority in this suit to enter any judgment or decree in the CHILD's interest which will be binding on you. including the termination of the parent-child relationship, the determination of paternity, and the appointment of a conserva

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tor with authority to consent to the CHILD's adoption.
Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Austin, Texas, DECEMBER 20, 2024. REQUESTED BY BIANCA FLORES 2800 S IH 35 STE, 135 AUSTIN. TX 78704 Rigney Mange, Deputy

#### CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS CAUSE NO: D-1-FM-24-002711 To: MIGUEL ANGEL TORRES

RODRIGUEZ and to all who it may concern, Pasnandant(s): GREETINGS YOU HAVE BEEN SUED. You may employ an attorney. If you or your attorney do not file a written answer with the clerk who issued this citation by 10:00 A.M. on the Monday next following the expiration of twenty days after you were served this citation and petition, a default judgment may be taken against you. Find out more at TexasLawHelp.org." YOU ARE HEREBY COMMAND ED to appear and answer before the Honorable District Court. 419TH DISTRICT COURT, Travis County, Texas, at the Civil Family Court Facility of said County in Austin, Texas, at or before 10 o'clock A.M. of the Monday next after expira-

ORIGINAL PETITION IN SUIT AFFECTING PARENT-CHILD RELATIONSHIP, filed by MARIA DEL ROCIO MARTINEZ filed in said court of Travis County, on APRIL 11, 2024 against MIGUEL ANGEL TORRES RODRIGUEZ and said suit being number D-1-FM-24-002711 on the docket of said Court, and entitled "IN THE INTEREST OF E. T.,R. T.

tion of Twenty days from the

date of service of this citation then and there to answer the

CHILD(REN)".
The nature of said suit is request to ORIGINAL PETI-TION IN SUIT AFFECTING PARENT-CHILD RELATION-SHIP of the parties, appoint managing and possessory conservators, and divide the estate of the parties in a man-ner that the court deems just and right. The date and place of birth of the child (children) who is (are) the subject of the suit: **EVELIN CAROLINA TORRES** 

CADENA, AUGUST 28, 2017; ROMINA MICHELLE TOR-RES CADENA, SEPTEMBER 30. 2015

The Court has authority in this suit to enter any judgment or decree in the CHILD's interest which will be binding on you, including the termination of the parent-child relationship, the determination of paternity, and the appointment of a conserva tor with authority to consent to the CHILD's adoption. Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said co at Austin, Texas, **DECEMBER** 04 2024 REQUESTED BY:

CHRISTOPHER L. ALONSO PO BOX 831391 SAN ANTONIO, TX 78283-1391

Velva L. Price Travis County District Clerk Civil Family Court Facility 1700 Guadalupe Street P.O. Box 679003 (78767) Jimmy Kieke Deputy

CITATION BY PUBLICATION
THE STATE OF TEXAS
CAUSE NO: D-1-FM-24-005537 To: JOSE MIGUEL MURILLO RODRIGUEZ and to all who it may concern Respondent(s); GREETINGS: YOU HAVE BEEN SUED. You

may employ an attorney. If you or your attorney do not file a written answer with the clark who issued this citation by 10:00 A.M. on the Monday next following the expiration of twenty days after you were served this citation and petition, a default judgment may be taken against you. Find out more at TexasLawHelp.org. YOU ARE HEREBY COM-MANDED to appear and answer before the Honorable District Court, 201ST DISTRICT COURT, Travis County, Texas, at the Civil Family Court Facility of said County in Austin, Texas at or before 10 o'clock A.M. of the Monday next after expiration of Twenty days from the date of service of this citation. then and there to answer the ORIGINAL PETITION IN SUIT AFFECTING PARENT-CHILD RELATIONSHIP, filed by, AU-RORA YAQUELIN GUTIERREZ MARTINE7 filed in said court of Travis County, on JULY 26, 2024, against, JOSE MIGUEL MURILLO RODRIGUEZ and said suit being number D-1-FM-24-005537 on the docket of said Court, and entitled "IN THE INTEREST OF L. M. CHILD(REN)".

The nature of said suit is a request to ORIGINAL PETITION IN SLIIT AFFECTING THE PAR-ENT-CHILD RELATIONSHIP of the parties, appoint managing and possessory conservators and divide the estate of the parties in a manner that the court deems just and right. The date and place of birth of the child who is the subject of the suit: LUIS MIGUEL MURILLO GUTIERREZ, D.O.B SEPTEM-BER 6 2008

The Court has authority in this suit to enter any judgment or decree in the CHILD's interest which will be binding on you, including the termination of the parent-child relationship, the determination of paternity, and the appointment of a conservator with authority to consent to the CHILD's adoption. Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Austin, Texas, DECEMBER 17, 2024. REQUESTED BY:

SANTIAGO CAMPOS 1777 NE INTERSTATE 410 LOOP STF 600 SAN ANTONIO, TX 78217 Rigney Mange, Deputy

CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS CAUSE NO: D-1-GN-24-003648 To: ALEMU AYELECH AND THE UNKNOWN HEIRS AT LAW OF FMAWAYSH ALFMU Defendant(s), in the hereinafter

styled and numbered cause: YOU (AND EACH OF YOU) HAVE BEEN SUED. You may employ an attorney. If you or your attorney do not file a writ ten answer with the clerk who issued this citation by 10:00 A.M. on the Monday next following the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance hereof, that is to say at or before 10 o'clock A.M. of Monday the January 13, 2025, and answer the **PLAINTIFF S** ORIGINAL PETITION AND PUBLICATION of Plaintiff(s) filed in the 455th District Court of Travis County, Texas, on June 11, 2024; November 18, 2024, a default judgment may be taken against you. In addi tion to filing a written answer with the clerk, you may be required to make initial disclo sures to the other parties of this suit. These disclosures generally must be made no later than 30 days after you file your answer with the clerk

Find out more at TexasLawHelp.org." Said suit being number D-1-GN-24-003648 in which SERVBANK, SB Plaintiff(s),

HAVMANOT ESHETII: AREI ESHETU; ALEMU AYELECH Defendant(s), and the nature of which said suit is as follows: PLAINTIFF SERVBANK SB BY AND THROUGH ITS ATTORNEY

OF RECORD, KELLY M. DOHERTY OF CODILIS & MOODY, P.C., 20405 STATE HIGHWAY 249, SUITE 170, HOUSTON, TEXAS 77070, BROUGHT SUIT UNDER CAUSE NO. D-1-GN-24-003648 IN THE 455TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS FOR ENFORCEMENT AND FORECLOSURE OF DEED OF TRUST LIEN ON THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED REAL PROPERTY OF WHICH DEFENDANTS, ALEMU AYELECH AND THE UNKNOWN HEIRS AT LAW OF EMAWAYSH ALEMU, ARE POTENTIAL PARTIES IN INTEREST LOT 1, BLOCK A, STIRLING BRIDGE, SECTION ONE. AN ADDITION TO TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS, ACCORD-ING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN DOCUMENT NO. 200700249, OFFICIAL PUBLIC RECORDS, TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS.
ALL OF WHICH MORE FULLY APPEARS FROM: PLAIN.

TIFF'S ORIGINAL PETITION AND ORDER FOR CITATION BY PUBLICATION ON FILE IN THIS OFFICE, AND WHICH REFERENCE IS HERE MADE FOR ALL INTENTS AND PURPOSES. Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Austin, Texas, November

REQUESTED BY DOHERTY, KELLY MARIE 20405 STATE HIGHWAY 249 #170 HOUSTON TX 77070

Velva L. Price Travis County District Clerk Civil Family Court Facility (CFCF) 1700 Guadalupe Street P.O. Box 679003 Austin, TX 78701 Jose Garcia, Deputy

CITATION BY PUBLICATION
THE STATE OF TEXAS CAUSE NO: D-1-GN-24-004573 To: AARON CLAUDE DOWDFLL JONATHAN ASHLEY JOHNSON, IRA R RUBIO, THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF RONALD DOWDELL, AND THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF BETH

DOWDELL Defendant(s), in the hereinafter styled and numbered cause: YOU (AND EACH OF YOU) HAVE BEEN SUED. You may employ an attorney. If you or your attorney do not file a written answer with the clerk who issued this citation by 10:00 A.M. on the Monday next following the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance hereof, that is to say at or before 10 o'clock A M of Monday the FEBRUARY 2025, and answer the PLAIN TIFF'S ORIGINAL PETITION

SEEKING A JUDICIAL JUDG-MENT FOR FORECLOSURE; ORDER ALLOWING CITA TION BY PUBLICATION of Plaintiff(s), filed in the 353rd District Court of Travis County, Texas, on July 25, 2024, a default judgment may be taken against you. In addition to filing a written answer with the clerk, you may be required to make initial disclosures to

the other parties of this suit These disclosures generally must be made no later than 30 days after you file your answer with the clerk. Find out more at TexasLawHelp.org." Said suit being number D-1-GN-24-004573, in which MORTGAGE RESEARCH CENTER, LLC D/B/A VETER-ANS UNITED HOME LOANS Plaintiff(s),

AARON CLAUDE DOWDELL: JONATHAN ASHLEY JOHNSON; IRA R RUBIO; THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF RONALD DOWDELL, THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF BETH DOWDELL AND 908 THAC KERAY LN, PFLUGERVILLE TX 78660, Defendant(s), and the nature of which said suit is as follows: MORTGAGE RESEARCH CENTER, LLC D/B/A VETERANS UNITED HOME LOANS, A MISSOURI LIMITED LIABILITY COM-PANY ("PLAINTIFF"), ITS SUCCESSORS IN INTEREST OR ASSIGNS BY AND THROUGH ITS ATTORNEY OF RECORD, CHRISTO-PHER K. BAXTER OR MARINOSCI LAW GROUP P.C., 16415 ADDISON ROAD SUITE 725, ADDISON, TX 75001, (972)331-2300, BROUGHT SUIT AARON CLAUDE DOWDELL, JONATHAN ASHLEY JOHNSON, IRA R RUBIO, THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF RONALD DOWDELL, AND THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF BETH DOWDELL ("DEFEN-DANTS"), TO ENFORCE THE NOTE ON THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 908 THAC-KERAYIN PEHIGERVILLE TX 78660 AND LEGALLY DESCRIBED IN PLAINTIFF'S ORIGINAL PETITION SEEK-ING A JUDICIAL JUDGMENT FOR FORECLOSURE FILED ON JULY 25, 2024.
ALL OF WHICH MORE FULLY
APPEARS FROM: PLAIN-TIFF'S ORIGINAL PETITION SEEKING A JUDICIAL JUDG-MENT FOR FORECLOSURE: ORDER ALLOWING CITA TION BY PUBLICATION ON

FILE IN THIS OFFICE, AND WHICH REFERENCE IS HERE MADE FOR ALL INTENTS AND PURPOSES. Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said court at Austin, Texas, December

17, 2024. PEOLIESTED BY BAXTER, CHRISTOPHER KFITH 16415 ADDISON RD STE 725 ADDISON, TX 75001 Velva I Price Travis County District Clerk

Civil Family Court Facility (CFCF) 1700 Guadalupe Street P.O. 679003 (78767) Austin TY 78701 Jose Garcia, Deputy

CITATION BY PUBLICA-TION THE STATE OF TEXAS TO THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF GARY OVERTON. IN PROBATE COURT #1 TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS CAUSE NUMBER C-1-PR-23-002831 DEMETRIUS FLINT Filed an APPLICATION FOR DETERMINATION OF HEIR-SHIP on December 12, 2023, AND APPLICATION FOR DEPENDENT ADMINISTRA TION on November 4, 2024 requesting that the Court determine who are the heirs and only heirs of GARY OVER-TON, Deceased and their respective shares and interests in such Estate. All unknown heirs and any other persons interested in this Estate are

cited to annear before the Court by filing a written contest or answer to this application if they want to do so. The Court may time at the Probate Court #1 Probate Courthouse, 200 W 8th Street, Austin, Texas 78701 on or after 10:00 a.m. on the first Monday after the expiration of ten days from the publication date of this citation. Therefore, to ensure consideration, any response must be filed with the Travis County clerk in Cause Number C-1-PB-23-002831 Estate of Gary Overton, De ceased on or before the above noted date and time. If this citation is not served within 90 days after it is issued, it must be returned unserved. Given under my hand and seal on this 27th day of December, 2024, DYANA LIMON-MERCADO County Clerk, Travis County, Texas, 200 West 8th Street, Suite 140, Austin, Texas 78701, P.O. Box 149325, Austin, Texas 78714-9325. CITATION BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS TO UNKNOWN HEIRS OF ANDREW JASON ZENT,

IN PROBATE COURT #1, TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS.

DECEASED

CAUSE NO. C-1-PB-24-002859 MICHELLE M. ZENT filed an APPLICATION FOR DETERMINATION AND DEC. AND AN APPLICATION TO APPOINT INDEPENDENT ADMIN-ISTRATOR AND FOR ISSUANCE OF LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION in the above-numbered and -entitled estate on December 17, 2024, requesting that the Court determine who are the heirs and only heirs of **Andrew Jason** Zent. Deceased, and their respective shares and interests in such estate. All unknown heirs and any other persons interested in this estate are cited to appear before this Court by filing a written contest or answer to this application if they want to do so. The Court may act on this application at any time at the Probate Court #1. Probate Courthouse, 200 West 8th Street, Austin, Texas 78701, on or after 10:00 a.m. on the first Monday after the expiration of ten days from the publication date of this citation. Therefore to ensure consideration, any contest, answer, or other response must be filed with the Travis County Clerk in cause number C-1-PB-24-002859, styled IN THE ESTATE OF Andrew Jason Zent,
DECEASED on or before the above-noted date and time. If this citation is not served within 90 days after it is issued it must be returned unserved. Given under my hand and seal on this the 18th day of December, 2024, DYANA LIMON-MERCADO County Clerk Travis County, Texas 200 West 8th Street, Ste. 140 Austin, TX 78701 P.O. Box 149325 Austin, Texas 78714-9325

By: Y. ALHUMAIDAN CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS TO UNKNOWN HEIRS OF Deborah Lynn Dillingham a/k/a Deborah Giles Dillingham a/k/a Debbie Giles Dillingham, DECEASED IN PROBATE COURT #2, TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS. CAUSE NO. C-1-PB-24-002476 Joseph Steven Dillingham filed a First Amended Ap-plication for Determination

of Hairship and for Letters of Independent Administration in the above-numbered and entitled estate on December 19, 2024, requesting that the Court determine who are the heirs and only heirs of Deborah Lynn Dillingham, Deceased, and their respective shares and interests in such estate All unknown heirs and any other persons interested in this estate are cited to appear before this Court by filing a written contest or answer to this application if they want to do so. The Court may act on this application at any time at the **Probate Court #2**, Probate Courthouse, 200 West 8th Street, Austin, Texas 78701, on or after 10:00 a.m. on the first Monday after the expiration of ten days from the publication date of this citation. Therefore to ensure consideration, any contest, answer, or other response must be filed with the Travis County Clerk in cause number C-1-PB-24-002476 styled IN THE ESTATE OF Deborah Lynn Dillingham aka Deborah Giles Dillingham aka Debbie Giles Dillingham. DECEASED on or before the above-noted date and time.

If this citation is not served within 90 days after it is issued it must be returned unserved. Given under my hand and seal on this the 19th day of December, 2024, DYANA LIMON-MERCADO County Clerk Travis County, Texas 200 West 8th Street, Ste. 140 Austin, TX 78701

P.O. Box 149325

By: B. HICKS

CITATION BY

Austin, Texas 78714-9325

PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS
TO UNKNOWN HEIRS OF MARCUS ALAN RANGEL. DECEASED IN PROBATE COURT #2, TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS. CAUSE NO. C-1-PB-24-002798 Linda Michelle Villarreal A/K/A Linda Michelle Lovola filed an APPLICATION TO
DETERMINE HEIRSHIP in the above-numbered and -en-titled estate on **December 06**, 2024, requesting that the Court determine who are the heirs and only heirs of Marcus Alan Rangel, Deceased, and their respective shares and interests in such estate. All unknown heirs and any other persons interested in this estate are cited to appear before this Court by filing a written contest or answer to this application if they want to do so. The Court may act on this application at any time at the Probate Court #2. Probate Courthouse, 200 West 8th Street, Austin, Texas 78701, on or after 10:00 a.m. on the first Monday after the expiration of ten days from the publication date of this citation. Therefore to ensure consideration, any contest, answer, or other response must be filed with the Travis County Clerk in cause number C-1-PB-24-002798, styled IN THE ESTATE OF MARCUS ALAN RANGEL, **DECEASED** on or before the above-noted date and time. If this citation is not served within 90 days after it is issued it must be returned unserved. Given under my hand and seal on this the 12th day of December, 2024, DYANA LIMON-MERCADO County Clerk Travis County, Texas

200 West 8th Street, Ste. 140

Austin, TX 78701 P.O. Box 149325 Austin, Texas 78714-9325

By: J. JAIMES

CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS TO LINKNOWN HEIRS OF MARY ALTER CLARK, DECEASED DECEASED
IN PROBATE COURT #1,
TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS.
CAUSE NO. C-1-PB-24-002851 Jeffrey Bryan Clark filed an APPLICATION FOR DETER-MINATION OF HEIRSHIP in the above-numbered and -entitled estate on December 16. 2024, requesting that the Court determine who are the heirs and only heirs of Mary Alter Clark, Deceased, and their respective shares and interests in such estate All unknown heirs and any other persons interested in this estate are cited to appear before this Court by filing a written contest or answer to this application if they want to do so. The Court may act on this application at any time at the **Probate Court #1**, Probate Courthouse, 200 West 8th Street, Austin, Texas 78701, on or after 10:00 a.m. on the first Monday after the expiration of ten days from the publication date of this citation. Therefore, to ensure consideration, any contest, answer, or other response must be filed with the Travis County Clerk in cause number C-1-PB-24-002851, styled IN THE ESTATE OF Mary Alter Clark, DECEDENT on or before the above-noted date and time. If this citation is not served within 90 days after it is issued, it must be returned unserved. Given under my hand and seal on this the 18th day of December, 2024, DYANA LIMON-MERCADO County Clerk Travis County, Texas 200 West 8th Street, Ste. 140 Austin, TX 78701

P.O. Box 149325 Austin, Texas 78714-9325 By: Y. ALHUMAIDAN CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS TO UNKNOWN HEIRS OF MICHELLE BAUTISTA SAUCEDO, DECEASED IN PROBATE COURT #1, TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS. CAUSE NO. C-1-PB-24-002855 Nora Saucedo filed an AP-PLICATION FOR DETERMI-NATION OF HEIRSHIP AND FOR LETTERS OF INDEPEN DENT ADMINISTRATION in the above-numbered and entitled estate on December 17, 2024, requesting that the Court determine who are the heirs and only heirs of Michelle Bautista Saucedo, Deceased, and their respective shares and interests in such estate. All unknown heirs and any other persons interested in this estate are cited to anneau before this Court by filing a written contest or answer to this application if they want to do so. The Court may act on this application at any time at the Probate Court #1 Probate Courthouse, 200 West 8th Street, Austin, Texas 78701, on or after 10:00 a.m. on the first Monday after the expiration of ten days from the publication date of this citation. Therefore, to ensure consideration, any contest, answer, or other response must be filed with the Travis County Clerk in cause number C-1-PB-24-002855, styled IN THE ESTATE OF MICHELLE BAUTISTA SAUCEDO, DECEASED or or before the above-noted date and time If this citation is not served

within 90 days after it is issued.

it must be returned unserved. Given under my hand and

spal on this the 18th day of December, 2024, DYANA LIMON-MERCADO County Clerk Travis County, Texas 200 West 8th Street, Ste. 140 Austin, TX 78701 P.O. Box 149325 Austin, Texas 78714-9325 By: Y. ALHUMAIDAN

CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS TO: SIERA FASULO Defendant, in the hereinafter styled and numbered cause You have been sued. You may employ an attorney. If you or your attorney do not file a written answer with the clerk who issued this citation by 10:00 a.m. on the Monday next following the expiration of forty-two (42) days from the date of issuance of this cita-tion, the same being Monday 01/06/2025, a default judgment may be taken against you. In addition to filing a written answer with the clerk you may be required to make initial disclosures to the other parties of this suit. These disclosures generally must be made no later than 30 days after you file your answer with the clerk. Find out more

CAUSE NUMBER: C Filed in County Court at Law #2, Civil and Family Courts Fa-cility, 1700 Guadalupe, Austin, Texas on 08/16/2023 STYLED: RANDOLPH DEN-NIS. PLAINTIFF SIERA FASULO, DEFEN-

at TexasLawHelp.org.

NATURE OF SUIT: Contract Other Given under my hand and seal of Dyana Limon-Mercado, County Clerk on this the 25th day of November, 2024.

Dyana Limon-Mercado County Clerk, Travis County, Texas P.O. BOX 149325, Austin, Texas 78714-9325 By Deputy: /S/ R Ontiveros

Plaintiff Attorney: KUNAL KIRAN UDESHI 2201 MAIN STREET SUITE 600 DALLAS, TX 75201

CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF HAYS To all persons interested in the Estate of Marie Gorelick Deceased, Cause No. 24-0482-P. in the County Court at Law.

Hays County, Texas.
The alleged heir(s) at law in the above-numbered and entitled estate filed an APPLICATION FOR DETERMINATION OF HEIRSHIP AND LETTERS OF INDEPENDENT ADMINISTRA-TION in this estate on the 21st day of October, 2024, requesting that the Court de termine who are the heirs and only heirs of Marie Gorelick Deceased, and their respective shares and interests in such estate

The Court may act on this Application at any call of the docket on or after 10:00 A.M., on the first Monday next after the expiration of ten (10) days, exclusive of the day of Publica tion, from the date this citation is published, at the Hays County Government Center in San Marcos, Texas. All persons interested in this case are cited to appear before this Honorable Court by filing a written contest or answer to this Application should they desire to do so. To ensure its consideration, you or your attorney must file any objection, intervention, or response in writing with the County Clerk of Hays County, Texas

#### on or before the above, noted date and time. Applicant's Attorney:

Flizabeth Brenner 4807 Spicewood Springs Road, Building 4, Austin, Texas 78759 512-338-5322 Given under my hand and the seal of said Court at the office of the Havs County Clerk in San Marcos, Texas on this the 18th day of December, 2024. Flaine II Cárdenas County Clerk, Hays County, Texas 712 S. Stagecoach Trail, Suite

San Marcos, Texas 78666 BY Elena McDonald, Deputy

#### D-1-GN-19-007616 CONSTABLE'S NOTICE OF SALE

REAL PROPERTY DELIN-QUENT TAXES BY VIRTUE of a certain Order Of Sale issued by the clerk of the 201st District Court of Travis County, on the 25th day of November, 2024 in a certain cause numbered D 1-GN-19-007616, wherein Travis County, Austin Independent School District City of Austin Travis County Healthcare Dis-trict D/B/A Central Health and Austin Community College and Rodney C. Lentz, If Alive and if Deceased, the unknown owners, assigns, successors, and heirs of the Estate of Rodney C. Lentz: and Victoria Lentz. if Alive and if Deceased, the unknown owners, assigns, succossors and hoirs of the Estate of Victora Lentz are defendants, in favor of said plaintiffs for \$64,988.87 together with all costs of suit, that being the amount of judgment recovered by the said plaintiffs in the 201st District Court of Travis County, Texas, on December 5. 2023 I, on the 27th day of November,

2024, at 2 o'clock P.M., have levied upon, and will, on th 7th day of January, 2024 at 10 of clock, A.M., sell said real property at public auction using an online bidding platform, or at the courthouse door of Travis County at 1000 Guadalupe Street in the City of Austin, within legal hours, proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder, all the rights, title and interest of defendants in and to the following described property, levied upon as the property of defendants, to-wit: Parcel No : 02-3923-0702-0000 Billing No. 118598: Lot 16, Block W, Windsor Hills Section Three, Plat No. 55/39 as described in Volume 4436 Page 2383 of the Deed Records of Travis County, Texas THE ABOVE SALE to be made by me to satisfy the above-described judgment for \$64,988.87 in favor of plaintiffs, together with the costs of said suit, and the proceeds applied to the satisfaction thereof Witness my hand this 27th day of November, 2024. CARLOS B. LOPEZ. CON-STABLE PRECINCT TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS BY Charles Dobbins DEPUTY ON THE PROPERTY SOLD, THERE ARE NO WARRANTIES, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED IN CLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO. THE IMPLIED WARRAN-TIES OF MERCHANTABILITY AND FITNESS FOR A
PARTICULAR PURPOSE, YOU BUY THE PROPERTY "AS IS". BIDDERS ARE FURTHER ADVISED THAT

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#### D-1-GN-23-005571 CONSTABLE'S NOTICE OF SALE REAL PROPERTY DELIN-

OUENT TAXES

BY VIRTUE of a certain Order Of Sale issued by the clerk of the 250th District Court of Travis County, on the 25th day of November, 2024 in a certain cause numbered D 1-GN-23-005571, wherein Travis County, Austin Independent School District, City of Austin. Travis County Healthcare Dis-trict D/B/A Central Health, and Austin Community College and Edward M. Works is defen dant, in favor of said plaintiffs for \$49,098.26 together with all costs of suit, that being the amount of judgment recovered by the said plaintiffs in the 250th District Court of Travis County, Texas, on September 17 2024

I, on the 27th day of November, 2024, at 2 o'clock P.M., have levied upon, and will, on the 7th day of January, 2024 at 10 o' clock A.M. sell said real property at public auction using an online bidding platform, or at the courthouse door of Travis County at 1000 Guadalupe Street in the City of Austin. within legal hours, proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder, all the rights, title and interest of defendants in and to the following described property, levied upon as the property of defendants, to-wit: Parcel No.: 02-2915-0721-0000; Billing No. 107067: Lot 10, Block 3, of St. John's College Addition, a subdivision

College Addition, a subdivision in Travis County, Texas, according to the map or plat of record in Volume 4, Page 71, of the Plat Records of Travis County, Texas as described in Volume 5423, Page 465 of the Deed Records of Travis County, Texas THE ABOVE SALE to be made by me to eatief; the made by me to satisfy the above-described judgment for \$49,098.26 in favor of plaintiffs together with the costs of said suit, and the proceeds applied to the satisfaction thereof. Witness my hand this 27th day of November, 2024. CARLOS B. LOPEZ, CON-STABLE PRECINCT 5 TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS BY Charles Dobbins DEPUTY ON THE PROPERTY SOLD. THERE ARE NO WARRANTIES. EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, IN-CLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO, THE IMPLIED WARRAN TIES OF MERCHANTABILITY AND FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE. YOU BUY THE PROPERTY "AS IS". BIDDERS ARE FURTHER ADVISED THAT PURCHASE OF THE PROP-ERTY AT THIS EXECUTION SALE MAY NOT EXTINGUISH ANY LIENS OR SECURITY IN-TERESTS ON THE PROPERTY. YOU ARE SIMPLY PURCHAS-

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN IN ACCORDANCE** WITH THE TERMS OF THE PROVISIONS OF THE TEXAS ALCOHOLIC **BEVERAGE CODE THAT:** Garcia's Mexican Restaurants Sealy. LLC

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d/b/a Victor's Mexican Grille #4 HAS FILED **APPLICATION FOR** A: Mixed Beverage Permit and Food and **Beverage Certificate** SAID BUSINESS TO BE **CONDUCTED AT: 241** Gebhardt Road. Sealv. Austin County, TX, 77474 Owner: Juan C Garcia. Manager

#### NOTICE OF ABANDONED VEHICLES

Public notice is hereby given that TJ's Towing Service, L.C, dba J&J Towing, VSF license number 0649625VSF to the owners of the following ve-hicles/vessel's that charges are due and a storage lien applies. If left unclaimed 30 days after the date of this notice they will he declared abandoned and constitutes a waiver of all lien, title, and interest and consent for disposal at public sale Public sales are held on the 3rd Monday of each month. The vehicle can be claimed at 3506 Darby St., Austin, TX 78721. 2009 SAAB 8ASD025 CA YS3FD79Y366001142 \$1,125.46 2010 Trailer PPF7740 UNK NO VIN \$1 026 52 2008 MERCEDES RPZ3726 TX WDBTK56F58F247697

#### NOTICE OF ABANDONED VEHICLES

Pursuant of Texas Abandoned Motor Vehicle Act (www. tdlr.texas.gov), the following vehicles will be sold at public auction unless charges are paid in full. Red 2008 BMW 1 Series VIN#WBAUP73548VF08497, \$1865.55 due. White 2003 IC Bus VIN#4KAMGABMX3A952840, \$1755.78 due. White 2007 Freightliner MT45 Chassis VIN#4UZAARCP77CY31773, \$1 805 78 due White 1997 Freightliner MT45 Chassis VIN#4UZA4FF45VC791908 \$1,805.78due. Storage is cal-culated daily until vehicles are claimed. Failure of the owner lienholder to claim the vehicles before date of sale is a waiver of all right, title, & interest in the vehicle AND a consent to the sale of the vehicles at a public sale, TX Towing VSF (0655262VSF), 7605 Colton Bluff Springs, Austin, TX 78744, Call 512-412-5367 for more details.

#### NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

In accordance with the provisions of Chapter 59 of the Texas Property Code, a public sale will occur to satisfy a landlord's lien. The sale will take place online at www.selfstorageauction.com for the following locations. Bidding will open on or before **Wednes**day January 08, 2025 at 8:00 pm and conclude on or after Wednesday January 15, 2025 at 8:00 pm. Cleanup deposit is required. The seller reserves the right to withdraw the property at any time before the sale Unit items sold as-is to highest bidder, General description of contents: general household/ personal goods/other contents. Names of tenants as they appear on the lease: ocation 1 - Storage Star Mopac, 12900 N Mopac, Austin, TX, 78727. robin dotson Steven Allen

Location 2 - Storage Star

Pond Springs, 13444 Pond

Springs Rd Austin TX 78729 Trenton Gamble Dakoulas Spencer Afolab Joe Bortello Johnathon Shields Glennon Marrero Location 3 - Storage Star Ben White, 405 E Ben White Austin, TX, 78704. Jonathan Johnson Gina Esparza Astara Marshall Location 4 - Storage Star Austin Lake Travis 9311 N FM 620, AUSTIN, TX, 78726. Glenda Nash John Dabney Aaron Jones-Wheeler Publishing dates: December 27, 2024 and January 03, 2025

#### NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Lockerfox.com In accordance with the Texas property code, Chapter 59. RightSpace Storage - Austin 9023 Hwy 71 W, Austin, TX, 78735, will conduct a public auction to satisfy a landlord's lien. Units will be sold to the highest hidder online at Lockerfox.com. Seller reserves the right to withdraw any unit or not accept any bid at time of sale. Sale will be held online at Lockerfox.com starting on or pefore Thursday January 09, 2025 at 10:00 am and bidding will close on or after Thursday January 16, 2025 at 10:00 am. General description of contents: general household/ personal goods/other contents. Names of tenants as they apnear on the lease. Alan Harris

Tenants may redeem their goods for full payment with a money order or cashier's check only up to time of auction. Call RightSpace Storage - Austin at (512) 399-3585 Publishing dates: December 27, 2024 and January 03, 2025

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE Lockerfox.com In accordance with the Texas property code, Chapter 59, RightSpace Storage - Manchaca 9507 Menchaca Rd. Austin, TX, 78748, will conduct a public auction to satisfy a landlord's lien. Units will be sold to the highest bidder on line at Lockerfox.com. Seller reserves the right to withdraw any unit or not accept any bid at time of sale. Sale will be held online at Lockerfox.com start-ing on or before **Thursday Jan**uary 09, 2025 at 10:00 am and bidding will close on or after Thursday January 16, 2025 at 10:00 am. General description of contents: general household/ personal goods/other contents. Names of tenants as they ap-pear on the lease:

Michael Shattah Austin Textual Victoria Martinez Elizabeth Rocha Xavier Gonzales Teran Jerrid John Fullerton Tenants may redeem their goods for full payment with a money order or cashier's check only up to time of auction. Call RightSpace Storage - Manchaca at (512) 382-0994 Publishing dates: December 27, 2024 and January 03, 2025

#### NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Lockerfox.com In accordance with the Texas property code, Chapter 59. RightSpace Storage - Spice-wood, 21012 Hwy 71 West, Spicewood, TX, 78669, will conduct a public auction to satisfy a landlord's lien. Units will be sold to the highest bidder online at Lockerfox.com. Seller reserves the right to withdraw any unit or not accept any bid at time of sale. Sale will be held online at Lockerfox. com starting on or before Thursday January 09, 2025 at 10:00 am and bidding will close on or after Thursday January description of contents; general household/personal goods/ other contents. Names of tenants as they appear on the

#### Alejandro Luna Aleiandro Luna Askar Malygin

Tenants may redeem their goods for full payment with a money order or cashier's che only up to time of auction. Call RightSpace Storage - Spice-wood at (512) 883-0773 Publishing dates: December 27, 2024 and January 03, 2025

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE Lockerfox.com In accordance with the Texas property code, Chapter 59, RightSpace Storage - Buda 227 Park 35 Cove N, Buda, TX, 78610, will conduct a public auction to satisfy a landlord's lien. Units will be sold to the highest bidder online at **Lock** erfox.com A \$100 credit card clean up deposit is required. Seller reserves the right to withdraw any unit or not accept any bid at time of sale. Sale will be held online at Lockerfox com starting on or before Thursday January 09, 2025 at 10:00 am and bidding will close

on or after Thursday January 16, 2025 at 10:00 am. General description of contents; general household/personal goods/ other contents. Names of tenants as they appear on the

#### Ernie Lopez Arnold Cseterki Tyler Jolly

Tenants may redeem their goods for full payment with a money order or cashier's check only up to time of auction. Call RightSpace Storage - Buda at (512) 295-2701 Publishing dates: December 27, 2024 and January 03, 2025

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE Lockerfox.com In accordance with the Texas property code, Chapter 59, RightSpace Storage - Drip-ping Springs, 3000 East Highway 290, Dripping Springs, TX, 78620, will conduct a public auction to satisfy a landlord's lien. Units will be sold to the highest bidder online at Lockerfox.com. A \$100 credit card clean up deposit is

required. Seller reserves the right to withdraw any unit or not accept any bid at time of sale. Sale will be held online at Lockerfox.com starting on or before Thursday January 09. 2025 at 10:00 am and bidding will close on or after Thursday January 16, 2025 at 10:00 contents: general household personal goods/other contents. Names of tenants as they appear on the lease:

Gregorio Moreno Tenants may redeem their

goods for full payment with a money order or cashier's check only up to time of auction. Call RightSpace Storage - Drip-ping Springs at 512-996-7852 Publishing dates: December 27, 2024 and January 03, 2025

#### NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Lockerfox.com In accordance with the Texas property code, Chapter 59 RightSpace Storage - Del Valle, 4405 Highway 71 E. Del Valle, TX, 78617, will conduct a public auction to satisfy a landlord's lien. Units will be sold to the highest bidder online at Lockerfox.com. A \$100 credit card clean up deposit is required. Seller reserves the right to withdraw any unit or

not accept any hid at time of sale. Sale will be held online at Lockerfox.com starting on or before Thursday January 09. 2025 at 10:00 am and bidding will close on or after Thursday January 16, 2025 at 10:00 am. General description of contents: general household personal goods/other contents. Names of tenants as they appear on the lease:

#### Jessierae Herrera-Cordova Destany Strother Ruhan Quiles Shania Brandon Ramon H Reves Javier Cazares

Tenants may redeem their goods for full payment with a money order or cashier's check only up to time of auction. Call RightSpace Storage - Del Valle at (512) 969-7349 Publishing dates: December 27, 2024 and January 03, 2025

#### NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Lockerfox.com In accordance with the Texas property code, Chapter 59, RightSpace Storage -Leander, 11520 Hero Way W., Leander, TX, 78641, will conduct a public auction to satisfy a landlord's lien. Units vill be sold to the highest bidder online at Lockerfox. com. A \$100 credit card clean up deposit is required. Seller reserves the right to withdraw any unit or not accept any bid at time of sale. Sale will be held online at Lockerfox.com starting on or before Thursday January 09, 2025 at 10:00 am and bidding will close on or after Thursday January 16, 2025 at 10:00 am. General description of contents: general household/ personal goods/other contents. Names of tenants as they appear on the lease:

#### Cody Johnson Clifford May Michael Coope KENNETH TAYLOR

Stella Penman Tenants may redeem their goods for full payment with a money order or cashier's check only up to time of auction. Call RightSpace Storage - Leander at (512) 528-6025 Publishing dates: Decembe 27, 2024 and January 03, 2025

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE Lockerfox.com In accordance with the Texas property code. Chapter 59. RightSpace Storage - Round Rock, 16450 N Ranch Road 620. Round Rock, TX, 78681. will conduct a public auction to satisfy a landlord's lien. Units will be sold to the highest bidder online at **Lockerfox**. com. A \$100 credit card clean up deposit is required. Seller reserves the right to withdraw any unit or not accept any bid at time of sale. Sale will be held online at Lockerfox.com starting on or before Thursday January 09, 2025 at 10:00 am and bidding will close on or after Thursday January 16, 2025 at 10:00 am. General description of contents; general household/ personal goods/other contents. Names of tenants as they appear on the lease:

#### Tanisha Degruy Danyell Wilder

Tenants may redeem their goods for full payment with a money order or cashier's check only up to time of auction. Call RightSpace Storage - Round Rock at (512) 248-1518 Publishing dates: December 27, 2024 and January 03, 2025

#### NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Lockerfox.com In accordance with the Texas property code, Chapter 59, RightSpace Storage - George town, 7650 West Highway 29, Georgetown, TX, 78628, will

conduct a public auction to satisfy a landlord's lien. Units will be sold to the highest hidder online at Lockerfox com. A \$100 credit card clean up deposit is required. Seller reserves the right to withdraw any unit or not accept any bid at time of sale. Sale will be held online at Lockerfox.com start-ing on or before **Thursday Jan**uary 09, 2025 at 10:00 am and bidding will close on or after Thursday January 16, 2025 at 10:00 am. General description of contents: general household/ personal goods/other contents. Names of tenants as they appear on the lease: CLINTON RIDING

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money order or cashier's check only up to time of auction. Call RightSpace Storage - Georgetown at (512) 639-8835 27. 2024 and January 03. 2025

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE Lockerfox.com In accordance with the Texas property code, Chapter 59 RightSpace Storage - Austin 2, 8956 Research Blvd., Austin, TX, 78758, will conduct a public auction to satisfy a landlord's lien. Units will be sold to the highest hidder on line at Lockerfox.com. A \$100 credit card clean up deposit is required. Seller reserves the right to withdraw any unit or not accept any bid at time of sale. Sale will be held online at Lockerfox.com starting on or before Thursday January 09. 2025 at 10:00 am and bidding will close on or after Thursday January 16, 2025 at 10:00 am. General description of contents: general household/ personal goods/other contents. Names of tenants as they appear on the lease:

#### Shanti Odu Jessica Lopez

Tenants may redeem their goods for full payment with a money order or cashier's check only up to time of auction. Call RightSpace Storage - Austin 2 at (512) 380-9111 Publishing dates: December 27, 2024 and January 03, 2025

#### NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE Pursuant to Chapter 59 of the

Texas Property Code, **TJO**10 X 10 Management, Ltd Managing properties listed below will hold a public auction of property being sold to satisfy a landlord's lien. The sale will indicated at www.selfstorageauction.com. Property will be sold to the highest bidder for cash. Deposit for removal and cleanup may be temporarily required. The seller reserves the right to reject any bid and to withdraw property from sale. Property may be sold by the space. Property being sold includes contents in spaces of following tenants, with brief description of contents in each space.

#### Saturday, December 28, 2024 @ Noon. 12:00 pm Lakeline Storage @ 11000 Lakeline Blvd, Austin,

TX 78717 www.SelfStorageAuction.

Cristela Lamas.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Pursuant to Chapter 59 of the Texas Property Code, TJO 10 X 10 Management, Ltd Managing properties listed below will hold a public auction of property being sold to satisfy a landlord's lien. The sale will begin on or about the time indicated at www.selfstorageauction com Property will sold to highest bidder for cash. Deposit for removal and

cleanup may be temporarily required. Seller reserves the right to reject any bid and to withdraw property from sale. Property may be sold by the space. General description of property being sold includes contents such as household/ personal goods/misc items n spaces for the following tenants:

Wednesday January 15, 2025 at 12:00 pm Driftwood Storage @ 9900 Darden Hill Rd, Austin, TX,

www.SelfStorageAuction. com

Jackson Sullivan Bergstrom Storage @ 530 Bastrop Hwy. SB, Austin, www.SelfStorageAuction.

com VICTOR PENA,Dyana Benthin Lorenzo

Adams,Edward Thomas,Sean Murphy Toni Lee Angelo

Northgate Storage @ 8833 Research Blvd. Austin. TX. 78758

#### www.SelfStorageAuction.

com Stephen Boyd,JADE SPIVEY,SKYE M CORLEY,SAMANTHA WOLF,Sueana Martinez, Ellis Woods,TONIESHA CRAWFORD KRISTIN SANCHE7

#### ATX Self Storage @ 6901 North I-35, Austin, TX, 78752 www.SelfStorageAuction. com

Bryon Brown,Dolly Anderson,Annadean Vasquez,FRANCISCA JIMENEZ,Jeffrey Wilkinson,Donna Bell Lakeline Storage @ 11000 Lakeline Blvd, Austin, TX, www.SelfStorageAuction.

#### Cristela Lamas NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Pursuant to Chapter 59, Texas Property Code, A-A-A Storage Pflugerville LP, located at 445 FM 685, Pflugerville, TX 78660 will hold a public auction of property being sold to satisfy landlord's lien. Sale will begin at 11:00 am, January 6, 2025 ends January 13, 2025 at 11:59am Online at www. storagetreasures.com. Seller reserves the right to withdraw property from sale. Property includes contents of spaces of following tenants: Dwight D Leonard: Electronics, camera; Norma Hunter: Boxes, Plastic bins, bicycle; Kimberly Ryan: boxes, plastic bins; Mary E Hernandez: boxes, wall art. furniture, flat screen T.V: Robert Walker Jr.; lumber, paints, propage tank; Michelle Hernandez Bravo: side table luggage, shelf, table lamp. Property sold AS IS to highest bidder. Clean up & removal deposit is required. Contact A-A-A Storage Pflugerville LP, 445 FM 685 Pflugerville, TX.

78660. 512-670-0265. NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE of property to satisfy land-lord's lien. Sale will be Janu-ary 9, 2025, 11AM at BURNET ROAD SELF-STORAGE, located at 6400 Burnet Road, Austin, TX 78757, Phone number (512) 453-6302. This notice is dated December 16, 2024. Property will be sold to the highest bidder for cash. \$50.00 cleanup and removal denosit is required. Seller reserves the right to withdraw property from sale at any time Property includes contents of

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units from the following tenants: Anna Rodriguez, Roman Zieger, James Voight, Gene Leal, Christine Medina, Beth Black, Alex Nelson UNITS: 1002, 1240, 658, 1426, 2017, 1011, 923, 2661, 740 CONTENTS: furniture, misc household items, boxes, clothes, electronics, appliances, tires, games, tools, bins. misc hoxes.. bed frames, grill,

Christmas décor, shelve Contact: Kathy Hall (512) 453-6302 at Burnet Road Self Storage

#### NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE OF LIENED PROPERTY

Notice is hereby given that Mini U Storage (formerly Wells Branch Self Storage), 1763 Wells Branch Parkway, Austin, TX 78728, will hold a public auction to satisfy a landlord's lien on the personal property being stored at the address above in the units listed. The sale will be held online at www storagetreasures.com closing at 9:30 am on January 22, 2025. Property will be sold to the highest bidder. Deposit for the removal and cleanup will be required. Mini U Storage reserves the right to bid at the sale and to refuse any bid. The property being sold includes contents in spaces of the following tenants Tenants notated the inventories listed at the time of rental. Landlord makes no representation or warranty that the units contain said inventories MOSHAY, BRIAN B105 Misc.

Household CASIANO MERCADO, SANDY R204 Misc Household FELDER, MYRA B209 Misc. Household **ERVES, JACQUELINE B237** Misc. Household FRICK, JOHN B304 Misc.

Household, Personal Effects Business Records, Business Furniture/Equipment GARCIA, HUMBERTO B339 Misc. Household, Personal Effects Business Records Business Furniture/Equipment HIGHTOWER, ASHANTI B410 Misc. Household, Personal Effects

Martinez Luiano, Jersain C104 Business Records, Business Furniture/Equipment JARAMILLO MARA C207 Misc

Household LEMIRE, KRISTIN C428 Misc. MUTHART, ELIZABETH C529 Misc. Household, Personal Effects

BLACKMON, BRITANY C621 Misc. Household HARRELL, BETINA D214 Misc.

HILL, JENESIS D304 Misc. Household, Personal Effects SCHMIDT, MISHELL D407 Misc. Household DAVIS, AZANI D408 Misc. Household, Personal Effects

GIESEN, BRITTANY D420 Misc. LEGER, DAUANA D602 Misc. Household

WILLIAMS, LACRESHA D611 Misc. Household, Personal Effects

Jaimes, Santos D627 Misc.

LEGER DALIANA D628 Misc Household CORTEZ, ALICIA D652 Misc.

Household, Personal Effects Purchases must be paid for at the time of sale with credit card only. All purchased goods are sold "as is" and must he removed within 48 hours owing the sale. Shelving is the property of landlord; do not remove unless authorized Buyers must provide a current, original or a photocopy of their original, resale permit at the time of payment in lieu of sales tax. This sale is subject to cancellation

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE OF PERSONAL PROPERTY

Extra Space Storage will hold a nublic auction to satisfy Extra Space's lien, by se nersonal property described below belonging to those individuals listed below at the location indicated All spaces contain household furniture unless otherwise noted.

3009 Dawn Dr Georgetown, TX 78628 01/10/2025 11:45 AM Dan Morrissey Emily Silva Kurstin Crockett

2440 W Whitestone Blvd Cedar Park, TX 78613 01/10/2025 12:30 PM Janice Cabrera 2100 N Bell Blvd Cedar Park TX 78613 01/10/2025 1:45 PM

Carlton Brown Nathaniel Bever 1972 US-183 Leander, TX 78641 01/10/2025 3 PM

Alexander Cottey
The auction will be listed and advertised on www.storagetreasures com Purchases must be made with cash only and paid at the above referenced facility in order to complete the transaction. Extra Space Storage may refuse any bid and may rescind any purchase up until the winning bidder takes possession of the personal property.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE OF PERSONAL PROPERTY

Extra Space Storage will hold a public auction to satisfy Extra Space's lien, by selling per-sonal property described below belonging to those individuals listed below at the location indicated.

All spaces contain household furniture unless otherwise 1000 E 50th St Austin, TX

78751 01/07/25 1:30pm Deniece Edwards; Randall

Wake 2220 E Howard Ln Pflugerville, TX 78660 01/07/25

12:15pm Julie Roland; Michelle Austin-Morris: LeAaron Alexander: Sylvia Hervey 1714 E Parmer Ln Austin, TX

78754 01/07/25 11:45am Seniessou Issouf Kone; Tasha Hasler: Frank Johnson: Wilella Kirby; Shymetra Pennick; nicholas trevino; Michelle Barletta: MarQuea Williams: Sari Wyssbrod; Shanita Miller; Jaime Pounds; Elizabeth Young: Alenzia McKinney: Iris Turner; Irving Jones; Ana cristian Guerrero Mancera:

Linda Polk 9717 E US Highway 290 Austin, TX 78724 01/07/25 11:15am

Rufus Pittman; Charlotte Jackson-Brown: Rene Aquilar: Anthony Robinson 12408 Harris Branch Pkwy

Manor, TX 78653 01/07/25 10:30am Kervin Anderson; ERIKA RANGEL

2009 Airport Blvd Austin, TX 78722 01/07/25 12:00pm STR CoPilot LLC household items; Ashley Kegley; Eric Marquez: Courtney Nesloney: Chloe Francois; DANIELLE SWOFFORD

6412 Rurnet Rd Austin TX 78757 01/07/25 10:00am Christmas Murrell 4500 S Congress Ave Austin, TX 78745 01/07/25 1:00pm Juan Manuel Sanchez; Elisa

Wilson; Chad Terrill 1620 S IH 35 Frontage Rd Austin, TX 78704 01/07/25 1:45pm Jnee Melton; Larry Washington

2401 E Ben White Blvd Austin, TX 78741 01/07/25 12:00pm aura Hernandez; Christopher

5656 N Interstate 35 Austin TX 78751 01/07/25 12:45pm Jon Tubbs 8227 N Lamar Rlvd Austin TX

78753 01/07/25 11:00am Gregory Mabry; James Cook sey; Amado Ontiveros; Marissa Pelletier; Marilyn House; Jose Ybarra; Ana GArcia; Elmonia

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE OF PERSONAL PROPERTY Extra Space Storage, on behalf of itself or its affiliates, Life Storage or Storage Express will hold a public auction to satisfy Extra Space's lien, by selling personal property described below belonging to those individuals listed below at the location indicated All spaces contain household furniture unless otherwise

6512 McNeil Dr Austin TX 78729 01/07/2025 10:00 AM Thomas Flethcher-Plastic bins bags, kitchen ware, blankets, and books; Joseph Huerta-Plastic bins, toys, clothes, kayaks, boxes, and furniture 12506 N Lamar Blvd Austin

TX 78753 01/07/2025 10:00 AM Charles Rountree-Electronics, sporting equipment, bikes. kayak; Lavonne Renee Brown-Bags of clothes and totes 12835 Pond Springs Rd Austin TX 78729 01/07/2025

5547 McNeil Dr Austin TX 78729 01/07/2025 10:00 AM Angela Taylor-Furniture 13126 Ranch Rd 620 N Austin TX 78717 01/07/2025 10:00 AM

Blake Gibbs

Larry Claypool-Antiques, boxes, clothes, and tools; Courtney Piper: Daniel Bullard-Boxes and Tv

Purchases must be made with cash only and paid at the above referenced facility in order to complete the transaction. Extra Space Storage may refuse any bid and may rescind any purchase up until the winning bidder takes possession of the personal property.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE OF PERSONAL PROPERTY Extra Space Storage, on behalf of itself or its affiliates, Life Storage or Storage Express. will hold a public auction to satisfy Extra Space's lien, by selling personal property

described below belonging to those individuals listed below at the location indicated. All spaces contain household furniture unless otherwise

1350 E Old Settlers Blvd Round Rock TX 78665 01/10/2025 10:00 AM

Sharlee Brooks Mahoney Toys-Paintings-Boxes, John Chitttenden-Garage Items, Rionna Coates-Boxes, Wil Mccauley, Dana Wage-Toys, Brittany Nelson 2000 University Blvd Round

Rock TX 78665 01/10/2025 11.30 AM ames Reese-Office Furniture/ Machines/Equipment 2150 Double Creek Dr Round Rock TX 78664 01/10/2025

12:00 PM eslie Davila-Books-Shoes 2830 S AW Grimes Blvd Round Rock TX 78664 01/10/2025 12:15 PM Carlos Vincent, Kevin Nale, Michaela Merlo, Arley Frias. Shannon Cruz Malouin, Jorda nia Aainsworth

981 N Red Bud Ln Round Rock TX 78665 01/10/2025 12:30 PM Kellie Sides-Boxes Marvin Goss-TV/Stereo Equipment,

Jessica Lynes-Boxes, Eric Budd-TV-Boxes 1515 N AW Grimes Blvd Round Rock TX 78665 01/10/2025 12:45 PM Liz Lesko-Boxes, Attia Han

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Ronald Griffin Purchases must be made with cash only and paid at the above referenced facility in order to complete the transaction. Extra Space Storage may refuse any bid and may rescind any purchase up until the winning bidder takes possession of the personal property.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE OF PERSONAL PROPERTY Extra Space Storage, on behalf of itself or its affiliates, Life Storage or Storage Express will hold a public auction to satisfy Extra Space's lien, by selling personal property described below belonging to those individuals listed below at the location indicated. All spaces contain household furniture and miscellaneous items unless otherwise noted 9300 Brodie Ln., Austin, TX 78748, 512-230-7283, 1-7-25, at 10:15am

Eliseo Herrera Jr 9910 Slaughter Creek Dr., Austin TX 78748, 737-346-8417, 1-7-25, at 10:30am Dominic Benson, John-Antho ny Castelan Jared Vasquez indy Myers, Kristopher Rohde, Dominic Yanez, Jason Cabrera 2550 EM 967 Buda TY 78610, 512-691-9093, 1-7-25, at 11:00am Michelle Guise, Megan Becerra

6509 S. 1st St., Austin, TX, 78745, 512-326-3131, 1-7-25, at 11:45am Scott Moffitt, Irma Jones, Patrick D Nichols

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Gabriella Coen-Alaniz, Steven Gregory, Quan Pearley 14509 Owen Tech Blvd Austin TX 78728: Yarely Rodriguez, Marvin Dotson, April Martin 2400 N Austin Ave Georgetown TX 78626: Robert Stitt, Alvin Quin ton, Ashley Carey, Regina Wilson, Mary Collins 646 W Front St Hutto TX 78634: Rebecca Sandoval, Christina Roman, Jennifer Landry, Rachel Landry Cerita Rivers, Karen Si Havlee Brashear 12407 US 290F Manor TX 78653: Joseph Roland, Robert Ruiz 110 S FM 1660 Hutto TX 78634: Derek Morgan, Bert Keefer, Priscilliana Noyola-Keefer, Monesha Lovelady 8023 W Parmer In Austin TX 78729: Thurman L Meredith, Lyonee White, Marissa Sifuuentes, William Woods, A. Aaron Carter, Ashley Carter, Ashley Aaron Carter, Collin I Thomas

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Austin TX 78736: Blakley Fisher, James Holder; 5715
Burnet Rd, Austin, TX 78756: Akeal Brown, Charles Barnes. Demetrius Davenport; 2701 South Congress Ave, Austin, TX 78704: Stephanie Foster, Jacob Adler, Gina Esparza, Don Pennington, Natalie Pedraza Zachary Scott; 601 University Blvd, Round Rock, TX 78665 Joshua Gonzales. 510 S IH-35 Frontage Rd, Round Rock, TX 78681: Jasmine Gonzalez Joseph Ponzio, Jason Sackler, Gloria Puente; 1405 North I-35, Round Rock, TX 78664: Flya Gonzalez, Wade Scott, Ebony Grimes, Triny Graham; 15616 Stewart Road, Lakeway, TX 78734: Skylar Ladden; 1205 Wells Branch Pkwy, Pflugerville, TX 78660: Kenyatta Quin-ton, Juan Ramirez, Lakisha

Keller, Bianca Smith NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL State of Texas County of Travis Cause: **D1GN23004925** By virtue of an Writ of Execution issued by the clerk of the 345th District Court of TRAVIS County, Texas, November 19, 2024, in cause numbered D1GN23004925, styled MOTIVE ENERGY TELECOMMUNICATIONS GROUP, INC. versus FY-BERKON, LLC. CHAGNON **EARLEY, and THUY NGUYEN** on a judgment rendered against THUY NGUYEN on September 4,2024; I did on De cember 09 2024 at 4:00 PM levy upon as the property of **THUY NGUYEN** the following described real property: Unit 20, The Canopy at Hudson Bend, a Condominium Project in Travis County, Texas; Together with the Limited Common Elements and an Undivided Interest in and to the General Common

Elements, as defined in that Declaration Recorded in Document Number 2015054273. Official Public Records, Travis County, Texas Locally known as 16404 Sydney Carol Lane, Austin TX, 78734 On January 07, 2025, being the first Tuesday of the month, be-tween the hours of 10:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M., beginning at 10:00AM at the Travis County Courthouse, 1000 Guadalupe Street Austin Texas I will sell for cash to the highest bidder all the right, title and interest of THUY NGUYEN in and to the real property described above. Dated at Austin, Travis County Texas, December 09, 2024 Carlos B. Lopez. Constable Precinct 5

Travis County, Texas

by DEPUTY LUSIA REYES. Notice to Bidders: You are buying whatever interest, if any, the Debtor has in the property Purchase of the Debtor's inter est in the property may not extinguish any liens or security interests held by other persons. There are no warranties, ex-press or implied, regarding the property being sold, including but not limited to warranties of title, merchantability or fitness for a particular purpose. Notice to Judgment Debtor: If there is any property, real or personal, you want to point out for levy in lieu of the above described property, you must contact this office immediately Bidders shall present an unexpired written statement issued to the person in the manner prescribed by Section 34.015, Tax Code, showing that the Travis County Assessor-Collector has determined that there are no delinquent ad valorem taxes owed by the per-

son. In addition, an individual may not bid on or purchase property in the name of any other individual

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ing described real property: Lot 14, Block "P" of Apache Shores, Section No. 5, a subdivision in Travis County. Texas, according to the map or plat of record in Volume 55, Page 41, of the Plat Records of Travis County, Texas Locally known as 14813 Foy Drive Austin TX 78734 On January 07, 2025, being the first Tuesday of the month, be-tween the hours of 10:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M., beginning at 10:00AM, at the Travis County Courthouse, 1000 Guadalupe Street, Austin, Texas, I will sell for cash to the highest bidder, all the right, title and interest of THUY NGUYEN in and to the real property described above. Dated at Austin, Travis County, Texas, December 09, 2024 Carlos B. Lopez, Constable Precinct 5 Travis County Texas by DEPUTY LUSIA REYES, Deputy ing whatever interest, if any, the Debtor has in the property

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#### NOTICE OF SELF STORAGE

SALE Please take notice AAA Storage Old Lockhart located at 9810 Old Lockhart Rd Austin TX 78747 intends to hold a public sale to the highest bidder of the property stored by the following tenants at the storage facility. The sale will occur as an online auction via www.bid13. com on 1/11/2025 at 9:00 AM. Unless stated otherwise the description of the contents are household goods, furnishings and garage essentials. Jimmy Farmer; Heather Hernandez (2 units): Alexis Verastequi All property is being stored at the above self-storage facility. This sale may be withdrawn at any time without notice. Certain terms and conditions apply. See manager for details

#### NOTICE OF SELF STORAGE SALE Please take notice Silver

Hill Storage Buell located at 2600 Buell Ave Austin TX 78757 intends to hold a public sale to the highest bidder of the property stored by the following tenants at the storage facility. The sale will occur as an online auction via www.storageauctions. com on 1/17/2025 at 12:00PM. Unless stated otherwise the description of the contents are household goods, furnishings and garage essentials, Jacob A Ellis (2 units); Manuel Guerrero (2 units); Ted Williams; Omar Cordobdelacruz, All property is being stored at the above self-storage facility. This sale may be withdrawn at any time without notice. Certain terms and conditions apply. See

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NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF ΔΝΙΤΑ ΠΔΙΙΔS ΔΚΑ ΔΝΙΤΑ IDA DALLAS, DECEASED NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that original Letters of Inde-pendent Administration with Will Annexed in the Estate of ANITA DALLAS AKA ANITA IDA DALLAS, Deceased, were issued on December 18, 2024. in Cause No. C-1-PB-24-002536 pending in Probate Court No. Two (2) of Travis County, Texas. to GEORGE DALLAS. Claims may be presented in care of the attorneys for the Estate addressed as follows: Estate οΓ ΔΝΙΤΑ ΠΔΙΙ ΔS ΔΚΔ ΔΝΙΤΔ IDA DALLAS, Deceased, c/o VACEK, KIECKE & COLMENE-RO LLP P.O. Box 1845 Austin Texas 78767. All persons having claims against this Estate are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

NOTICE TO CLAIMANTS Notice is hereby given that original Letters of Administration for the Estate of Kenneth Edward Shick, Deceased, were issued on December 17, 2024. under Cause No. 24-0492-P, pending in the County Court at Law #3 of Havs County. Texas, to Tracy Lyn Shick, aka Tracy Shick Alver. All persons having claims against this estate, which is currently being administered, are required to present those claims within the time and in the manner prescribed by law in care of the Independent Administrator's attorney, addressed as follows: Tracy Shick Alver, Independent Administrator - Estate of Ken-neth Edward Shick, c/o Keith Hajovsky, 10300 Jollyville Rd, #720, Austin, TX 78759.

Notice is given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Darrell J. Coleman were issued on December 19, 2024, in Docket No. C 1-PB-24-002521, pending in the Statutory Probate Court Number 1 of Travis County, Texas, to James Weldon Cole man. All persons having claims against the estate, which is presently being administered. are required to submit them, within the time and manner prescribed by law, and before the estate is closed, addressed as follows: c/o Gary Chadwick Harlow 13809 Research Boulevard Suite 425

Austin, Texas 78750 Dated December 19, 2024 /s/ Gary Chadwick Harlow Attorney for Independent Executor of the Estate of Darrell J. Coleman

#### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters of Administration for the Estate of Johnny Gonzalez, Deceased, were issued on December 17, 2024 in Cause No. C-1-PB-24-000620, pending in Probate Court No. 1, Travis County, Texas, to: Irenia H. Gonzalez a/k/a Irene Gonzales. Irenia H. Gonzalez a/k/a Irene Gonzales is a resident of Travis County, Texas. All persons having claims against this Estate which is cur-rently being administered are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed by law, c/o: Nicolette Rivera Modesto Attorney at Law, 11782 Jollyville Road, Austin, Texas 78759. DATED the 18th day of December, 2024. /s/ Nicolette Rivera, State Bar No. 24086610. Attorney for Irenia H. Gonzalez a/k/a Irene Gonzales 11782

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters of Administration for the Estate of Robert Laurence Sieck, Deceased, were issued on December 17, 2024. in Cause No. C-1-PR-24-001791 pending in the Probate Court No: One, Travis County, Texas, to: Shawna Loren Sieck, Inde-pendent Administrator. All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed

Estate of Robert Laurence Sieck c/o: Katlyn Winters 8705 Shoal Creek Blvd. #105 Austin TX 78757 DATED December 27, 2024 By: /s/ Katlyn Winters

Attorney for Shawna Loren

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters of Independent Administration for the Estate of An T. Ho, also known as Andy Ho, Deceased, were issued on December 17, 2024, in Cause No. C-1-PB-24-001797 pending in the Probate Court Number One of Travis County Texas, to Alex Duc Minh Ho as Independent Administrator, All persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the claims to the undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed by law. /s/ Michele A. Mobley

Mobley & Associates Austin 5000 Plaza on the Lake, Suite

Austin, TX 78746 Dated: December 18, 2024

NOTICE TO CREDITORS Notice is hereby given that original Letters of Independent Administration for the Estate of David Meredith Robinson aka David M. Robinson, aka David Meredith Robinson, Jr. Deceased, were issued on December 19, 2024, in Cause No. C-1-PB-24-002344 pending in the Probate Court No: 2, Travis County, Texas, to: Kimmy Robinson, All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being admin istered are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed by law. c/o: Christopher P. Daves Attorney at Law 3624 North Hills Drive Ste. Austin, TX 78731

NOTICE TO CREDITORS Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of COLETTE B. STEWART, Deceased, were issued on December 19th 2024 in Cause No. C-1-PB-24-002572 pending in the Probate Court of Travis County, Texas, to: TODD MARTIN STEWART. All persons having claims against this Estate which is cur rently being administered are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed

Estate of COLETTE B. STEWART Todd Martin Stewart 2503 Riverwoods Lane Bloomington, Illinois 61705

NOTICE TO CREDITORS Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Lisa Myers, Deceased, were issued on the

19th day of December 2024 in Cause No. C-1-PB-24-002504, pending in the Probate Court of Travis County, Texas, Probate Scott, as Independent Executor. All persons having claims against the Estate which is currently being administered are required to present same within the time and in the manner prescribed by law to John Creighton III, 1601 Rio Grande Suite 330, Austin, Texas 78701. DATED this 12th day of Decem-

Timothy Alvyn Scott, Independent Executor of the Estate of Lisa Myers, Deceased

NOTICE TO CREDITORS Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Lottie Frankel Shapiro, Deceased, were issued on December 12, 2024, in Cause No. C-1-PB-24-002670

pending in the Probate Court Number Two of Travis County, Texas, to Julie Shapiro Schechter as Independent Executor. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the claims to the undersigned within the time

/s/ Michele A Mobley Mobley & Associates Austin, 5000 Plaza on the Lake, Suite

Austin, TX 78746 Dated: December 18, 2024

NOTICE TO CREDITORS NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that original Letters Testamen-tary for the Estate of Perry Lee Hunt, Deceased, were issued on December 17, 2024, in Cause No. C-1-PB-22-000343, pending in the Probate Court No. 1 of Travis County, Texas to: MICHAEL SCOTT HUNT and SHARON KAY HUNT.

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed

by law.
MICHAEL SCOTT HUNT and SHARON KAY HUNT. Inde pendent Co-Executors, Estate of PERRY LEE HUNT, Deceased

c/o Peter Shuler December 17, 2024 The Law Office of Todd A Wilson 4425 S. Mopac Expressway

Bldg. II, Suite 201 Austin, TX 78735 Telephone: (512) 827-9212 Fax: (737) 255-8678 TAWLawTX.com Attorneys for Independent

NOTICE TO CREDITORS Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Sam John

Leslie Small, Deceased, were issued to Heather Joanne Small on December 17, 2024 in Cause No. C-1-PB-24-002608, pending in Probate Court No. 2, Travis County, Texas. Claims should be delivered to the Independent Executor's attorney at the following address: c/o Elizabeth Brenner, Burns Anderson Jury & Brenner. L.L.P., 4807 Spicewood Springs Bldg 4, P. O. Box 26300, Austin, Texas 78755-0300 against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law. Dated December 17, 2024 Flizabeth Brenner

Attorney for Independent

BURNS ANDERSON JURY & BRENNER, L.L.P. Telephone: (512) 338-5322 Facsimile: (512) 338-5363

NOTICE TO CREDITORS Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Stephen Joseph Batlin a/k/a Steve J. Batlin Deceased were issued on December 17, 2024, in Cause No. C-1-PB-24-002020, pending in the Probate Court No. 2 of Travis County, Texas, to: ALLISON OTIS BATLIN a/k/a ALLISON BATLIN. All persons having claims against this Estate which is cur rently being administered are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed

by law. c/o: Adrian M. Resendez c/o: Adrian M. Resendez Brough & Resendez, PLLC 1213 W. Slaughter Ln., Ste. 100 Austin, TX, 78748 DATED the 27th day of Decem-

ber. 2024. /s/Adrian Resendez Adrian Resendez State Bar No. 24088845 Brough & Resendez, PLLC 1213 W. Slaughter Lane, Ste 100 Austin, Texas 78748 Telephone: 512-792-9510

Email: adrian@bandrlaw.com Attorney for Independent Executor

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of TODD EDWARD MONTGOMERY, Deceased, were issued on December 17, 2024, in Cause No. C-1-PB-24-002607, pending in the Probate Court No: ONE Travis County, Texas, to: William Montgomery. All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them to the undersigned within the time

by law. c/o: Kristine Warren Warren Law, PC 1000 Heritage Center Circle Round Rock, Texas 78664 DATED the 18th day of Decem-

and in the manner prescribed

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS** Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamen-tary of the Estate of Linda Box MIsna, Deceased, were issued on December 19, 2024 in Cause No. C-1-PB-24-002737, by the

Travis County Probate Court Number One to Tracy Gilliam Independent Executor of the Estate of Linda Box MIsna. All persons having claims against said Estate are required to pres ent them to Richard Thormann, Attorney at Law, 805 W. 10th Street, Suite 100, Austin Texas 78701 within the time prescribed by law.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary upon the Estate of Nancy Glea Carr, Deceased, were issued on December 18, 2024, in Cause No. C-1-PB-24-002624, pending in Probate Court No. 2 of Travis County, Texas. All persons having claims against this Estate being administered are hereby required to present same within the time prescribed by law. Claims should be addressed in care of "Representative, Estate of Nancy Glea Carr, Deceased," and may be presented to the attorney for the Estate at the following address: Kris Yager West, Webb, Allbritton & Gentry, P.C. 4300 N. Quinlan Park Road,

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#### State Bar No.: 24125878 Attorney for Applicant NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary upon the Estate of ROSALIE KADERKA FOWLER, Deceased, were issued to Chelsea Rusch. whose residence and mailing address is 11215 Research Blvd. #2171. Austin. Texas 78723 on December 19, 2024, by the Probate Court No. 2 of Travis County, Texas, in CAUSE NO. C-1-PB-24-002662 which is still pending, and that the Executor now holds such Letters Testamentary. All persons hav-ing claims against said estate are hereby required to present the claims to Chelsea Rusch., c/o Mario Jesús Flores, Law Office of Mario Flores, PLLC, 314 E Highland Mall Blvd. #208, Austin, Texas 78752, within the time prescribed by law. Mario Jesús Flores Law Office of Mario Flores.

PLLC mflores@mariofloreslaw.com 314 E Highland Mall Blvd. #208 Austin, Texas 78752

NOTICE TO CREDITORS On December 19, 2024, Marlene Geschke qualified as Independent Administrator without bond of the Estate of Savannah Caroline Hillen, Deceased, in Cause No. C-1-PB-24-002044 pending in the Probate Court No. 2 of Travis County, Texas. The address of the Independent Administrator is c/o Donald Carnes, 509 W. 18th Street, Austin, Texas 78701, and all persons having claims against ent them to such address in

the manner and time required by law. Marlene Geschke Independent Administrator

of the Estate of Savannah Caroline

#### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Shirley Ann Cooke, aka Shirley Ann Presley, aka Shirley A. Cooke, aka Shirley P. Cooke, aka Shirley Cooke, Deceased, were issued on September 17, 2024, in Cause No. C-1-PB-24-002454 pending in the County Court of Travis County, Texas, to: Bruce Alan Cooke All persons having claims against this Estate which is cur-

rently being administered are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed

c/o: Ann Lumley, Attorney at Law 1601 Rio Grande Street, Suite 550 Austin, TX 78701

DATED the 17th day of Decem-

ber. 2024. Ann Lumley Attorney for Applicant State Bar No.: 24034408 1601 Rio Grande Street, Suite

Austin, TX 78701 Telephone: (512) 480-8828 E-mail: Ann@texastrustlaw.

#### NOTICE TO CREDITORS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF WANDA G BATES AKA WANDA GRACE BATES

Notice is hereby given that Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Wanda G. Bates aka Wanda Grace Bates, Deceased, were issued to Lisa L. Carter on December 19, 2024, in Cause No. C-1-PB-24-002597 pending in Probate Court No. 1, Travis County, TX, All persons having claims against this Estate are required to present them to the

undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed by law. TANYA K. STREIT

Attorney for Independent Executor Streit Law Wills and Trusts 13809 Research Blvd., Ste 500 Austin, TX 78750 Ph: 512-772-5829 ; Fax: 512-

#### OFFICIAL PUBLIC NOTICE

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TO BIDDERS
TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS Notice is hereby given that sealed responses will be ac cepted by Travis County for the following items: 1. IFB #2411-008-CM, Landfill Operations & Maintenance Opens: December 11, 2024, at

8:00 AM. Respondents are strongly encouraged to submit responses online via www. bidsync.com. A secondary option is to submit responses via USPS mail. FedEx. DHL. etc. to: C.W. Bruner, Travis County Purchasing Agent, 700 Lavaca Street, Suite 800, P.O. Box 1748, Austin, Texas 78767. Ph:512.854.9700. Specifications can be obtained by downloading a copy from our website: www.traviscountytx.gov/ www.traviscountyx.gov/ purchasing/solicitation. Bids will be publicly opened at the Travis County Purchasing Of-fice, 700 Lavaca, Austin, Texas Respondents may download the bid tab from Bidsync com or use the virtual dial-in information (supplied within the solicitation) during which the bids will be publicly opened and read aloud. Respondents should use unit pricing or lump sum pricing, if appropriate. Payments may be made by

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tions governing the bidding and auction process Daniel Willis - household

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Notice of Initiation of the Section 106 Process-Public Participation in accordance with the FCC's Nationwide Programmatic Agreement.
Hemphill, LLC intends to construct a communications facil ity at 12704 Daniel Boone Road Travis County, Austin, TX 78737 (30.199606, -97.967844). The facility will include a monopole telecommunications tower with an approximate overall height of 165ft. with associated equipment Hemphill LLC is publish ing this notice in accordance with Federal Communications Commission regulations (47 CFR § 1.1307) for Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) and for the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). We respectfully request that parties interested in commenting on this Federal undertaking relative to potential effects on cultural or historic properties or with questions on the proposed facility should contact GSS, Inc., 1054 Texan Trail, Suite 300, Grapevine, TX 76051; Ph. 682-651-0034 within 30 days of the posting of this notice. (GSS #D24330-TX)

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