

"Strangest Attractions in Austin"

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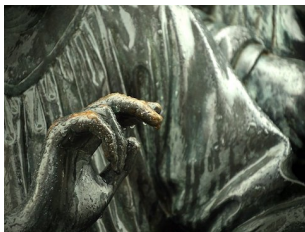
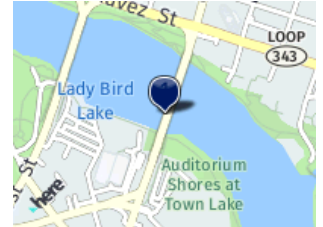
Bats Under South Congress Bridge

"Mexican Free-Tailed Bats"

The Congress Bridge over Colorado River houses approximately one and a half million bats in mid-summer. In the spring, the pregnant female makes her way north to roosting sites in the Southwestern United States. They each give birth to a baby and at five weeks of age the pups can fly. Hundreds of people line the bridge at dusk to catch a rare glimpse of the bats as they leave the bridge for their nightly feeding. It may take up to 45 minutes for all the bats to exit. They will consume between 10,000 and 30,000 pounds of insects each night.

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📍 100 South Congress Avenue, Austin TX



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Casa Neverlandia

"Straight Out of a Storybook"

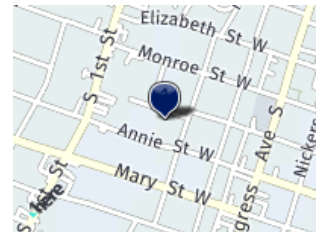
The studio and home of artist James Edward Talbot is known as Casa Neverlandia, as everything from its exterior to the art displayed inside represents something out of this world. Once you're done exploring the house, take the plank bridge to the tree house in the back yard, then take the firefighter pole back down to ground level. The museum is open by appointment only, and is definitely worth the planning ahead. The entire house is "green", as in solar panels and the like, so it is definitely a treat for the eco-friendly! Check out his website to know more about Talbot and call to book your visit!

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Cathedral of Junk

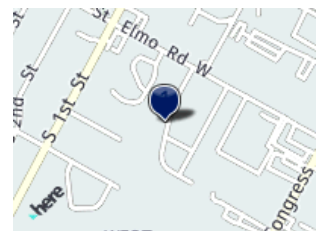
"Turning Junk into a Work of Art"

Tucked away in the backyard of a residential neighborhood is the Cathedral of Junk, a work in progress over 20 years in the making. Created by Vince Hanneman, the Cathedral turns old and discarded items into an ever-evolving structural work of art. Using old tires, hubcaps, all manner of metal scraps, pipes and more, Hanneman works and reworks the multi-level space into a playground of sorts for adults and children alike. As far out as it is, the Cathedral of Junk is, surprisingly, invisible from the street in front of it — only upon entering the backyard are visitors met with the mass of tangled metal and functioning electric items.

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📍 4422 Lareina Drive, Austin TX



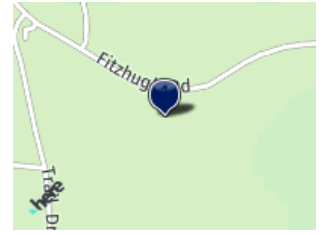


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Stunt Ranch

"Become a Superhero"

Do you have what it takes to be in an action movie? Find out at the Stunt Ranch. Sign up for an adrenaline packed class or camp at this 22 acre ranch and train under licensed pyrotechnicians and a friendly stunt crew. Fly through the air as you fire at targets, jump away from a real fireball, and even detonate an explosion! By the time you leave the Stunt Ranch you'll be ready to star in your own adventure. Although you have to make reservations for classes or camps, the paintball portion of the ranch is open to the public on the weekend. Duck behind a crashed car and aim your paintball gun at the paintball machine gun towers, then duck and roll for cover as someone tries to get you from a sniper's nest. Get ready for thrills!



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