



DOWNTOWN

July 1 – September 30, 2009

LOCAL & REGIONAL PROGRAMMING ADDRESSING COMMUNITY POLITICS/GOVERNMENT AND OTHER ISSUES

Downtown #405

“Austin’s Independent Businesses/Your Health Is Your Wealth/Life’s Journey”

Airdate: 7/02/2009

Airtime: 7:30 pm

Length: 30 minutes

Austin's Independent Businesses: Downtown is home to some of Austin's most iconic independent businesses. From trendy to traditional, find out why shopping downtown is As Austin as it Gets™! / Your Health is Your Wealth: Keep up the pace with Austinites as they hustle their way to better lives through fitness. / Life's Journey: "Great is the matter of birth and death." Austinites David Graeber and Stephen Moser discuss their journeys through life.

Downtown #406

“The Best of DOWNTOWN Music”

Airdate: 7/09/2009

Airtime: 7:30 pm

Length: 30 minutes

Join us for a look at the unique destination that is DOWNTOWN Austin. This documentary series, a co-production of KLRU, the Downtown Austin Alliance and Action Figure, profiles the special people, places and stories that make DOWNTOWN: As Austin As It Gets.TM

Downtown #301

“Urban Transportation, Downtown’s “Wilder” Side, The “Rite” Playhouse”

Airdate: 7/16/2009

Airtime: 7:30 pm

Length: 30 minutes

Downtown Density #3 – A look at the importance of a mixed, comprehensive regional transportation plan for a quality, denser downtown. / The real “Wildlife in Downtown”—start your walk at the Congress Avenue Bridge and discover a rich and unique, urban ecosystem brimming with unexpected wildlife. / As one of Texas’ oldest theatres, the Scottish Rite Theatre is a treasure trove for historic backdrops and scenery. More than that, as the Scottish Rite Children’s Theatre, children and families treasure the memories and build a lifelong love of theatre. Interstitials: Low Riders, Dr. Burd

Downtown #302

“Cutting Edge Care, Caffeine Culture and Austin’s Rhyme, Rhythm and Rune Rally”

Airdate: 7/23/2009

Airtime: 7:30 pm

Length: 30 minutes

Affectionately known of as “Brack,” the oldest hospital in Travis County, has been the scene of a lot of firsts and innovations. Take a look inside the hospital and at the future of Austin’s medical community. / Can’t tell your Mocha from your Latte? Better wake up! There’s a new “Caffeine Culture” brewing and the sidewalks of downtown are steeped in the Coffee Café Scene. / It’s not Shakespeare’s Sonnet – but the poetic brilliance and assonance and alliteration of Austin’s Poetry Slam can lift you up beyond Wadsworth! Interstitials: Bus Roadeo, Zombies

Downtown #303

“Experience Caring, Experience Art, as Downtown Firefighters Experience it all.”

Airdate: 7/30/2009

Airtime: 7:30 pm

Length: 30 minutes

Caritas of Austin: More than a tasty soup kitchen – As a designated refugee center, this downtown service organization works with downtown businesses to help people from all over the world build new lives. / Don’t just look at art – Experience Art! The new Blanton Museum of Art’s interpretive programs help their audience learn about art in a multitude of fun, creative and “experiential” ways. / The Heroes of Downtown’s Fire Station #1 do it all – Fight fires, perform high-rise rescues, and even do swift water rescues in Town Lake and Waller Creek. How DO they still have time to pose for calendars and perfect their cooking skills?

Downtown #304

“Living the Dog’s Life, The Magi’s Gift’s Before He Was O. Henry...”

Airdate: 8/20/2009

Airtime: 7:30 pm

Length: 30 minutes

Living the Dog’s Life, The Magi’s Gift’s Before He Was O. Henry and Workin’ the Night Shift.

A growing downtown residential population means a growing downtown pet population - See the latest in Urban “Barkitecture,” and what it’s really like living a dog’s life downtown. Remember to Scoop the Poop! / He gave us the “Gift of the Magi” but before he became the master of the short story, Austin was his home, his bane and even his muse. Discover O. Henry’s Austin 100 years later. / The party’s over and the rest of Austin hits the hay, but these hearty souls of the graveyard shift are hard at work. Check out another side of the 24-hour downtown—Night Shift Workers.

Downtown #306

“Main Street of Texas; Going “Pro” in a “Pro” College Town ...”

Airdate: 8/27/2009

Airtime: 7:30 pm

Length: 30 minutes

Main Street of Texas; Going “Pro” in a “Pro” College Town, and Birth of the Live Music Capital Congress Avenue - the Main Street of Texas - A look at “The Avenue” in its early days and the challenges of preserving the old as the city grows. / Meet Deon Sanders, the Austin Wranglers Arena Football team and look at “Pro” Sports in a “Pro” College town. / The “Live Music Capital of the World” began with live music venues such as the Vulcan Gas Co. and the Armadillo World Headquarters. Learn why their influences are such a part of Austin’s culture today.

Downtown #307
 “Singing for Salamanders; Revitalization or Gentrification; and ...”

Airdate: 9/03/2009
 Airtime: 7:30 pm
 Length: 30 minutes

Singing for Salamanders; Revitalization or Gentrification; and “Hellcats” (and other crazy names) on Wheels...
 Arthouse at the Jones Center’s *A Cantata for Twelve Choirs and Several Salamanders* - commissioned work by artist **Daniel Bozhkov** uses music, film and visual art to celebrate Austin’s Barton Springs Salamander and Sunken Gardens. / Neighborhood Revitalization or Gentrification? The dynamics of neighborhoods are in continuous change. Can restoration of older homes and growth in neighborhoods occur without displacing longtime residents? / They’ve got brand new roller-skates and the key to success. The women of the Texas Roller Derby have started a national trend and aren’t afraid to abuse it or each other.

Downtown #308
 “Best of DOWNTOWN”

Airdate: 9/10/2009
 Airtime: 7:30 pm
 Length: 30 minutes

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Downtown #305
 “ALL of Austin’s Stage, Austin’s Latino Community, and ...”

Airdate: 9/17/2009
 Airtime: 7:30 pm
 Length: 30 minutes

ALL of Austin’s Stage, Austin’s Latino Community, and Making Your Mark with Austin Ink.
 With each recycled piece, the Long Center for the Performing Arts is rising like a phoenix from the former Palmer Auditorium. This center is designed to serve all of Austin’s performing arts community—large to small. It has also become a model in arts philanthropy involving people of all economic levels to build a venue for everyone’s art. / Austin is a city with a long, proud Latino heritage. Learn how the community has worked together to support each other in life’s journey. / Austin Ink - Everyone wants to make their mark. Some just choose to make it on themselves! Do you want a tattoo too? Learn about the art of tattoos and why they are so popular.

Downtown #309
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