



What will you discover at the Austin Archives Bazaar?

AUSTIN, Texas, October 6, 2016/Archivists of Central Texas/ - Join the Archivists of Central Texas for the Austin Archives Bazaar on **Sunday, October 16 from 2:00 – 6:00 p.m.** at Saengerrunde Hall, 1607 San Jacinto Blvd. The Bazaar will feature twenty-three Central Texas archives offering fun and interactive ways for Austinites to learn more about the historical resources and services available in Austin and Central Texas. Come discover the photographs, documents, films, maps, video games, and more held in the incredible archival collections in and around Austin!

The event is free for everyone and a great way to experience Austin's diverse history. The [twenty-three participating archives](#) will show off their amazing collections and throughout the entire event. Other attractions include a film screening featuring archival footage of Austin dating back to the 1910s and an oral history booth to record your Austin story for future generations (like a StoryCorps for Austin!). A [full slate of speakers](#), including Michael Barnes, Addie Broyles, Joe Nick Patoski, and Joan Neuberger, will discuss various ways they have used archives in their writing and projects. You can also make your own antique carte de visite in the old-time photo studio and listen to short talks by historians and writers who have used archives extensively in their work. At the Preservation Station, you can bring your cherished materials, such as photographs, old letters, and family scrapbooks, to learn from professionals how to best preserve your memories.

"People are curious about Austin's rich history, but rarely know where to go to find out more, and sometimes going to an archive can be an intimidating experience," says Jennifer Hecker, Chair of Austin Archives Bazaar Program Committee. "Here they can learn about their area archives and have a great time finding out the best way to preserve their personal items. It's so fun for people to discover all of the genuinely cool objects preserved in archives. Anyone interested in Austin history or their own family history will enjoy the Bazaar."

The Archivists of Central Texas is a professional organization that exists to increase contact and communication between archivists and those working with records, to provide opportunities for networking, and to promote archival repositories and activities in the greater Austin area. Get more information and see a list of the participating archives at www.austinarchivesbazaar.org.

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