



# Walter Prescott Webb Historical Society

## Fall Meeting



**Location:** Austin, Texas  
**Date:** October 27-28, 2017  
**Conference fee:** \$30.00 per person

**Lodging and travel:** Webb Society does not have a room block set up this year. You will find most of the hotels at the I35 & 290 intersection quite reasonable. The Fairfield Inn is a recommended option showing a room rate of \$125 a night. <http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/ausfi-fairfield-inn-and-suites-austin-university-area/?scid=bb1a189a-fec3-4d19-a255-54ba596febe2>

**For Webb Society, like for Sam Houston in the 1840s, Austin means archives. Unlike the 1840s, Austin residents can rest easy as we will be touring the archives rather than moving them.**

### Itinerary:

#### Friday, October 27<sup>th</sup>

##### **5:30 p.m.–6:40 p.m. Texas State Library and Archives Commission, Austin, Texas**

We'll kick off the meeting with a tour of the Texas State Library and Archives Commission led by one of the archivists. Located steps from the Capitol Building, these archives remain the trusted resource of the state and people of Texas as it pursues its mission "to provide Texans access to the information needed to be informed, productive citizens by preserving the archival record of Texas; enhancing the service capacity of public, academic, and school libraries; assisting public agencies in the maintenance of their records; and meeting the reading needs of Texans with disabilities".

##### **6:45 p.m.–9:00 p.m. Scholz Garten**

From the Library and Archives we will head down to the local Austin hotspot, Scholz Garten, for some great food, comradery, and our business meeting.

#### Saturday, October 28<sup>th</sup>

##### **9:00 a.m.–10:00 a.m. LBJ Presidential Library**

We will begin our Saturday with a tour of the LBJ Presidential Library. Located on the campus of The University of Texas at Austin, the mission of the LBJ Presidential Library is "to preserve

and protect the historical materials in the collections of the library and make them readily accessible; to increase public awareness of the American experience through relevant exhibitions and educational programs; to advance the LBJ Library's standing as a center for intellectual activity and community leadership while meeting the challenges of a changing world."

"It is all here: the story of our time with the bark off...This library will show the facts, not just the joy and triumphs, but the sorrow and failures, too." — Lyndon Baines Johnson at the dedication of the Lyndon Baines Johnson Library and Museum, May 22, 1971

### **10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. – Dolph Briscoe Center for American History**

Enjoy a behind the scenes look at the newly renovated Research and Collections department of the Briscoe Center. The Briscoe Center mission is to "Through stewardship, scholarship, and outreach, the Dolph Briscoe Center for American History increases knowledge and fosters exploration of our nation's past".

The Briscoe Center describes itself "As a leading history research center, we collect, preserve, and make available documentary and material culture evidence encompassing key themes in Texas and U.S. history. Researchers, students, and the public use our collections for a wide range of academic, professional, and personal uses".

### **Learn more:**

For more about Austin and for other places of interest, visit the following websites:

- Handbook of Texas Online article on Austin <https://tshaonline.org/handbook/online/articles/hda03>
- Texas State Capitol <http://www.tspb.texas.gov/prop/tc/tc/capitol.html>
- Bullock Texas State History Museum <https://www.thestoryoftexas.com/>
- Blanton Museum of Art <https://blantonmuseum.org/>
- Texas Memorial Museum <https://tmm.utexas.edu/>
- Harry Ransom Center <http://www.hrc.utexas.edu/>
- Texas Military Forces Museum <http://texasmilitaryforcesmuseum.org/>
- George Washington Carver Museum, Cultural, and Genealogy Center <http://www.austintexas.gov/carvermuseum>
- O. Henry Museum <http://www.austintexas.gov/department/o-henry-museum>

