

## TOP OF THE CHARTS

Austin continues to gain favorability as one of the nation's top travel destinations. But don't take our word for it – check out what leading publications and research firms are saying:

- Austin named #4, “[2016 LGBT Travelers Rising Stars Destinations](#)” by gogobot awards. (April 2016)
- Austin ranks in the top 20 large cities with the most vibrant art community in America, according to [SMU's National Center for Arts Research](#). (March 2016)
- The Austin Convention Center was named one of the Best Convention Centers by Smart Meetings (2016)
- Three Austin music venues make “[The 100 Greatest American Music Venues](#)” list: Stubbs (6<sup>th</sup>), The Mohawk (24<sup>th</sup>) and Moody Theater (42<sup>nd</sup>). (2016)
- Austin's Zilker Park named third “Best City Park” in the USA by [USA Today](#). (April 2016)
- Austin named #2 best place to live in the U.S. according to [U.S. News and World Report](#) (April 2016)
- The #1 City for Young Families by ValuePenguin (February 2016)
- One of The Best Cities in North America by [Travel + Leisure](#), part of the World's Best survey (February 2016)
- Austin ranked #5 on The Top 25 Future-Ready U.S. Cities by PCMA Convene (February 2016)
- Named America's Next Boomtown by Forbes (January 2016)
- Austin was named one of The 13 Hottest US Cities for 2016 by Business Insider.
- Austin-Bergstrom International Airport was ranked #16 on cheapflights.com's 2015 Airport Affordability Report (July 2015)
- Conde Nast Traveler named Austin's South Congress Avenue one of America's 50 Greatest Hits (July 2015)
- Austin-Bergstrom International Airport topped the list of the Top 10 High-Tech Airports in the U.S. by Successful Meetings Magazine (April 2015)
- Austin was ranked #1 on Thrillist's list of America's 12 Greatest Music Cities (April 2015)
- Named one of The 10 Best Cities for Weekend Vacations by Forbes (April 2015)
- Ranked #1 on Lonestar Literary Life's list of Texas's Top Ten Bookish Destinations of 2015 (March 2015)
- Third largest LGBT population among top 50 U.S. metropolitan areas by 2015 Gallup Poll (March 2015)
- #1 city for Live Music & Concerts by EventBrite (March 2015)