**THINGS TO DO**

**when not conferencing!**

**(Anything with an exclamation mark afterwards means it’s personally recommended.)**

**FOOD**

**QUICK BITES NEAR THE CONFERENCE CENTER (there are 2 restaurants in the CC)**

1. Kesos Tacos <https://www.kesostacos.com/location>
2. Café in the Blanton (Art) Museum <https://blantonmuseum.org/welcome-to-the-blanton-museum-of-art/blanton-cafe/>
3. K-Bop (Korean) <https://www.kbopatx.com/>
4. Pho Thai Son <https://www.phothaison.com/>
5. Poke Bay (Hawaiian) <https://www.yelp.com/biz/poke-bay-austin>
6. Oma’s Kitchen (Korean) 2021 Guadalupe (Dobie Mall, second floor), 512/472-8018
7. Teji’s Kitchen (Indian) 2100B Guadalupe St Austin, TX 78705 The Drag, West Campus, UT
8. Burrito Factory 2025 Guadalupe St # 244, Austin, TX 78705
9. Arturo’s Underground Café <https://www.arturosundergroundcafe.com/>
10. Sushi Junai <https://www.facebook.com/sushijunai/> 1612 Lavaca

**FOOD TRUCKS/Stands (all a short drive away, El Chilitos is about a 30 minute walk)**

1. Veracruz All Natural Mexican!
2. Chi’lantro Korean/Mexican! *Try the kimchee fries.*
3. Gourdoughs doughnuts! *Total splurge on a doughnut.*
4. El Chilitos! *Great breakfast tacos and others.*

**RESTAURANTS**

***15 minute walk or less***

*Olamaie Southern Food* <https://olamaieaustin.com/> *great reviews from friends*

*Clay Pit (Indian)* <https://claypit.com/> *great reviews from friends*

*Lavaca Teppan (Japanese)* <https://www.lavacateppan.com/> *great reviews from Imps*

*Scholz Garden* <http://www.scholzgarten.com/>

***30 minute walk or so***

*Sour Duck!* <https://www.sourduckmarket.com/>*It’s mostly outdoors eating so attend to the weather*

*Hillside Farmacy* <http://hillsidefarmacy.com/>

*Hoover’s Cooking! (Place to have your first chicken fried steak)* <https://www.hooverscooking.com/>

*Cherrywood Coffeehouse! (Great breakfast tacos, burgers)* <http://cherrywoodcoffeehouse.com/>

*Hopfield’s* <http://hopfieldsaustin.com/>

*Dai Due* <https://www.daidue.com/> *Meat lovers.*

***10 minute drive but recommended***

*Odd Duck!* <https://oddduckaustin.com/>*Quirky, Interesting, South of the lake*

*Launderette!* <https://launderetteaustin.com/>

*Suerte* <https://www.suerteatx.com/>

*Loro!* <https://loroaustin.com/> *Loud, delicious, no reservations*

*Foreign and Domestic!* <http://fndaustin.com/> *snout to tail interesting eating*

*Contigo!* <https://contigotexas.com/restaurant/>

*Brunch (nothing fancy)Kerbey Lane (1 5 minute walk) 2. 24 Diner 3. Cherrywood 4. Star Seed*

**AUSTIN OUTINGS**

* Zilker Park <http://zilkerpark.org/> *Nice walks, runs, playgrounds*
* Ladybird Lake (Rowing Dock) <https://www.rowingdock.com/> *kayaking?*
* Barton Springs Pool <http://www.austintexas.gov/department/barton-springs-pool>
* The I love you so much graffiti wall on South Congress <https://www.austintexas.org/austin-insider-blog/post/austins-best-murals/> *Lesbian love story*
* Pay what you like walking tour <https://www.austintexas.org/listings/tipster-tours/9674/>
* Blanton Museum of Art <https://blantonmuseum.org/about/> *Amazing*
* Mexic-Arte museum <http://www.mexic-artemuseum.org/>
* Bullock Museum (State History) (across the street) <https://www.thestoryoftexas.com/>
* Women& Their Work (art gallery, walking distance) <https://womenandtheirwork.org/>
* State Capitol (women in politics tour Friday at 11) <https://tspb.texas.gov/plan/tours/tours.html>
* LBJ Presidential Library <http://www.lbjlibrary.org/>
* South Congress (boot shop, pretty good pizza, shops)
* Hamilton Pool (need reservations in advance) *waterfalls, beautiful* <https://parks.traviscountytx.gov/parks/hamilton-pool-preserve>
* Driskill Hotel (cool, old, haunted?) <https://driskillhotel.com/>
* 4th Street Gay District <https://austin.gaycities.com/bars>

**BARS & MUSIC**

* Skylark Lounge: <http://skylarkaustin.com/> Hear the legendary Margaret Wright.
* Antone’s 305 E. 5th St., Home of the Blues <https://www.antonesnightclub.com/>

**LGBT BUSINESSES**

[**Jo’s Coffee**](http://www.joscoffee.com/) “a cool, sweet part of Austin’s LGBTQ history.”

[**La Barbeque**](https://www.labarbecue.com/) “The beef rib and chipotle slaw are to literally die for”

[**Oil Can Harry’s**](http://www.oilcanharrys.com/). All identities and hosts many of SXSW’s queer happenings.

[**Rain**](http://www.rainon4th.com/) offers a similar setting but with even more dancing.

[**Cheer Up Charlie’s**](http://cheerupcharlies.com/), Austin’s lesbian-owned venue that lends its stage to musicians and storytellers nightly.

[**BT2 Austin**](https://www.facebook.com/bt2atx/) (or Bout That Time) is a good spot for games, ipinball, pool, darts or volleyball [**Barbarella**](https://www.facebook.com/barbarella.austin.9/?rf=220265044675857) – Home of the fabulous ‘Tuezgayz’ event with plenty of drag queens and enough dance music to help get you through until the weekend. Hipster and college students abound here, but then again – who else has got time for an all-out night of revelry on a Tuesday!