T.H.E. Lone Star Audiofest Fact Sheet

T.H.E. Lone Star Audiofest is a reimagined show for the HiFi enthusiast, designer, creator, builder, DIYer, vinyl junkie, vintage collector, and music lover.

Dates: May 2-4, 2025

Venue: Embassy Suites by Hilton, 270 Bass Pro Drive, Round Rock TX 78665

Space: Over 17,000 square feet of premium of large scale exhibit space including state-

of-the-art meeting rooms

Free parking

Free WiFi

Free breakfast daily (for guests of the hotel)

What is different this year for Exhibitors (other than the obvious)?

PROMOTION:

- *year round regular promotion including social media
- *livestream interview bookings
- *opportunities for FM radio promotion
- *additional promotion on T.H.E. Show's networks and platforms
- *additional promotion on T.H.E. Show's mailing lists (40,000+)
- *sponsorship opportunities
- *opportunities to be included in other additional T.H.E. initiatves

<u>MANAGEMENT:</u>

With a robust, year round event staff managing T.H.E. LSAF, you will have access to a sales team, a marketing team, and a logistic team to address all your questions and needs.

WHY AUSTIN? Glad you asked!

*Austin has the fastest growing population of millionaires (more people to buy your HiFi creations!)

- *Austin was named the best state capitol to live in (WalletHub)
- *Austin is one of the top 10 best places to live in the U.S. (U.S. News)
- *The Austin MSA added more than 50,000 residents between 2022 and 2023 (City of Austin)
- *The median age of the Austin metro, 35.9 years, is three years younger than the national median age of 39 years (U.S. Census Bureau)
- *Austin is one of the hottest job markets in America (Wall Street Journal)
- *Austin is one of the top 10 hardest-working cities in America (WalletHub)
- *Due to job market strength and livability, Austin is one of the best cities to start a career (WalletHub)
- *Austin had the strongest hiring rates in the U.S in 2023 (LinkedIn)
- *Austin's median household income is \$86,556 versus a U.S. median of \$75,149 (U.S. Census Bureau)
- *Among the 51 largest U.S. metro areas, Austin topped job growth from 2014 to 2023, increasing by 49.9%. (U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics)
- *The Austin-area GDP growth ranked No.1 among large U.S. metros in 2023 (Austin Business Journal)
- *With significant job and wage growth, Austin was No. 2 on the list of best-performing cities (Milken Institute)
- *Austin was named one of the top 10 biggest boomtowns in America (Checkr)
- *Due to incentives and a large talent pool, Austin is one of the best cities for international business (Financial Times)

Need more info? AUSTIN MUSIC STATISTICS:

Music Lovers LOVE Austin and here are some reasons why:

- *Austin's live music tourism generates about \$1.8 billion annually.
- *Austin hosts two iconic music festivals, South by Southwest (SXSW) and the Austin City Limits Music Festival.
- *Austin is home to many music companies, including BMI, C3 Presents (Live Nation), SXSW, Tunecore, Messina Touring Group (AEG), Scoremore Shows (Live Nation), and 888 Management Gold Rush Vinyl.
- *The 2022 Greater Austin Music Census found that the music scene is evolving, with the music ecosystem expanding into satellite communities and becoming more diverse.
- *The 2022 Greater Austin Music Census found that musician wages are way below average and stagnant.
- *The 2022 Greater Austin Music Census found that the number of people identifying as male dropped by 9 percentage points to 62%, while those identifying as female held steady at 29% of respondents.
- *The Austin government awards grants to musicians, independent promoters, and venues to support the local music scene.

To book your exhibit space at T.H.E. Lone Star Audiofest, please contact:

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