

# Austin Texas Slide Show 1998

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## Introduction

This is a compendium of a slide show that Helga present quite often, especially in Germany. It is a brief overview of Texas and Austin. This slide show was first put together in 1998. It was modified over time, and some of the slides were used in other presentations. Because of this not all the slides could be found, but the captions and her notes for each slide is captured. At the end is photos of her original notes.

The first presentation was in Japan during their Friendship Force trip in October 1998. That is why there is an emphasize on Japanese gardens and monuments.

The spelling and captions are entered as she wrote them in her notes, miss spellings and all.



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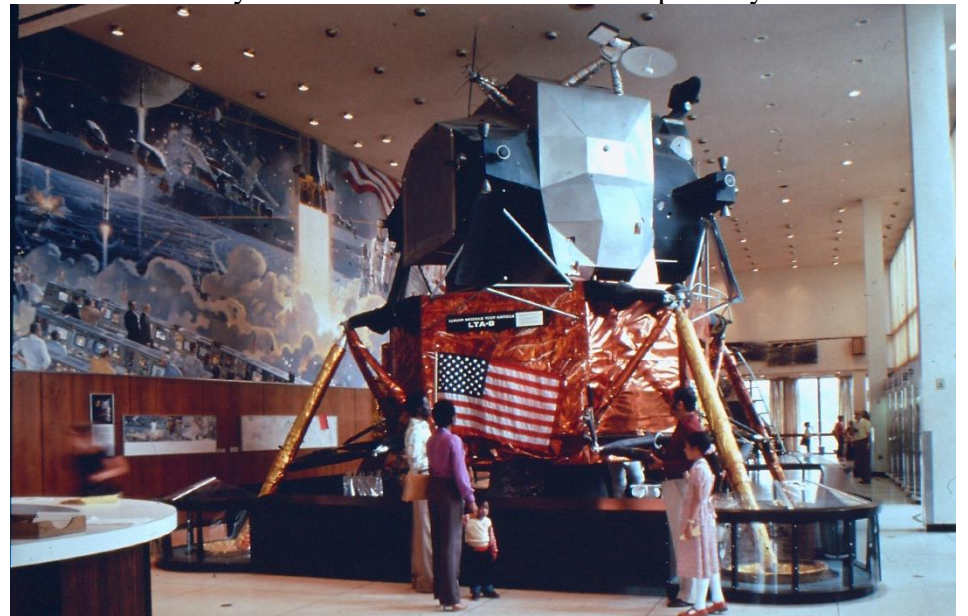
01: Texas – in the southern part of the US with a border with Mexico and on the Gulf of Mexico. Texas is twice the size of Japan.



02: Dallas – skyline at night. Is one of the big cities.



03: Houston – Skyline. Is also well known. It is a port city



04: Johnson Space Center, Houston, Lunar Landing:



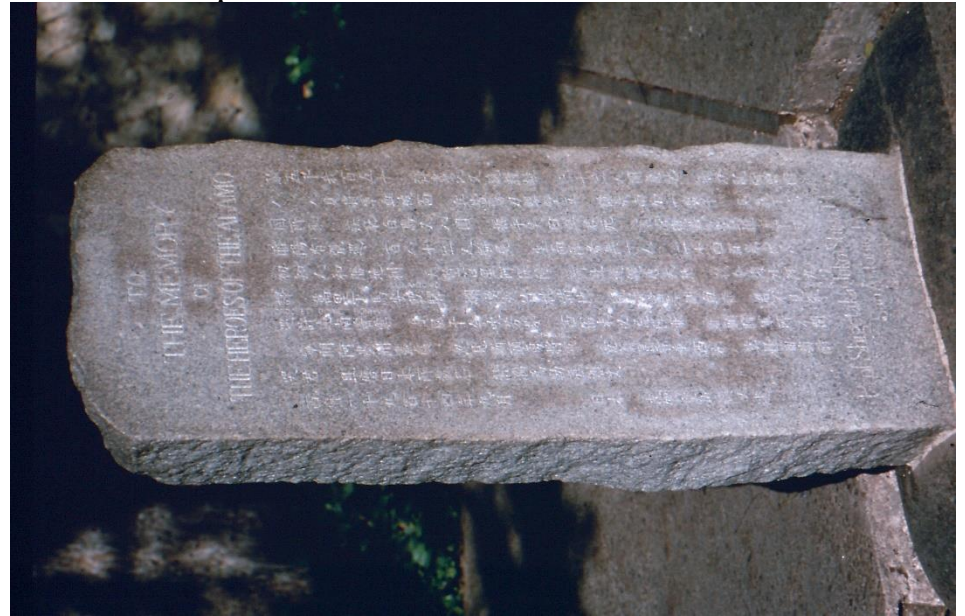
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05: missing: San Antonio is only 1 hour's drive from Austin with a beautiful entertainment area along the river.



06: The “Alamo” in San Antonio is a historic shrine. A battle was fought here when Texas fought for its independence from Mexico in 1936.



07: This Japanese marker is on the grounds of the Alamo.



08: San Antonio Riverwalk



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08: San Antonio Riverwalk boat



08: San Antonio Riverwalk Restaurant



08: missing San Antonio has a Mexican atmosphere; this band of Mariachis plays outside of the church San José.





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09 West Texas is rather dry with wide open spaces. Cowboy country with ranches and beautiful deserts. Yucca cactus in bloom and mountain.



09: Cadillac Ranch in West Texas



09: Car Museum in West Texas

10 Missing West Texas also has great oilfields bringing in money for the State



11: Oilfields and refineries are also on the Gulf Coast.



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12: Beach on Padre Island. Most of the coast line is just beach, many miles



14: Longhorn. The 'longhorn' cattle is a special breed which becomes popular again. It is the symbol of the University of Texas



13: Cotton Harvester. Cotton is the major crop.

15: missing Vineyards are again becoming an important industry



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16: Goat held by child, wool crop. Longhair goats and sheep are kept on ranches, mainly in the Hill Country west of Austin.



17: Dude Ranch, Bandera, Riding group. Dude Ranches give a chance of cowboy life to American and foreign tourist. Many are just west of Austin [or San Antonio]



18: Rodeo bull and clowns. Rodeos are held in small and large towns.



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19: Another Rodeo. Entry Parade with clowns.



20: A small town west of Austin is Fredericksburg with the place where Admiral Nimitz grew up, now the Nimitz Museum (Commander of the Pacific Fleet in WWII)





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21: Japanese Garden, Fredericksburg. In the Nimitz Museum is a Japanese Garden donated by Japanese as a symbol of peach and friendship.



22: The 'bluebonnet' blooms wild in the spring in many parts of Texas and is the official state flower.



23: The "Indian paintbrush" is also plentiful in the spring.



24: The "armadillo" is a popular symbol for Austin



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15: Austin Creek: In and around Austin are many subtropical, almost wild places to enjoy.



25: Blue Hole in Wimberley



26: Austin is the capital of Texas. The parliaments are meeting in the capitol building.

27: missing The Barton Springs in downtown are now a very clean, cold natural swimming pool.



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28: Austin Congress bridge over Town Lake on Colorado River. In downtown is also the Town Lake with hiking and biking trails and parks and several bridges.



28: Hike and Bike trail around Town Lake in downtown Austin.



29HvS Sep1998: Austin, South Congress Avenue. Many romantic spots in downtown invite you to rest.





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30: Japanese Garden in Zilker Park, Downtown Austin. In one of the parks is a Japanese Garden, donated and designed by a Japanese Gentleman.



31HvS Sep1998: Zilker park also offers a Gazebo and spring feed swimming pool



31HvS Sep1998: Zilker Park has trails on both sides of Colorado river and as trail crosses the bridges, it offers views of the other bridges. View from 1<sup>st</sup> Street bring towards the RailRoad bridge and Congress Avenue bridge.

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32: Austin, Bats over Congress Avenue bridge: A million bats live under a bridge in downtown and fly off to eat insects every summer night.



33HvS Sep1998: LBJ Library and Stadium Austin. Austin is also the main campus of the University of Texas. Here is the Longhorn football stadium and the LBJ Library (President Johnson' library)





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33HvS Sep1998: View from LBJ library to UT stadium in background left and UT Tower in background right.



33HvS: View from LBJ library to UT stadium in



34: Umlauf Garden, Austin. Austinites love art and museums. This is the open air sculpture garden with works by Charles Umlauf.



35HvS: Mural on 8<sup>th</sup> Street Austin. The art scene in Austin is very relaxed and diverse. Many walls in downtown have paintings.

36: missing another art scene

37: missing Art takes on many forms in Austin "Jackalope" with cowboy.



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38HvS Sep1998: Congress Avenue, State and Paramount Theater. When buildings are a hundred years old, we call them very old, like these theaters downtown.



39: Less than 200 years ago, many white settlers lived in log cabins in the open prairie.



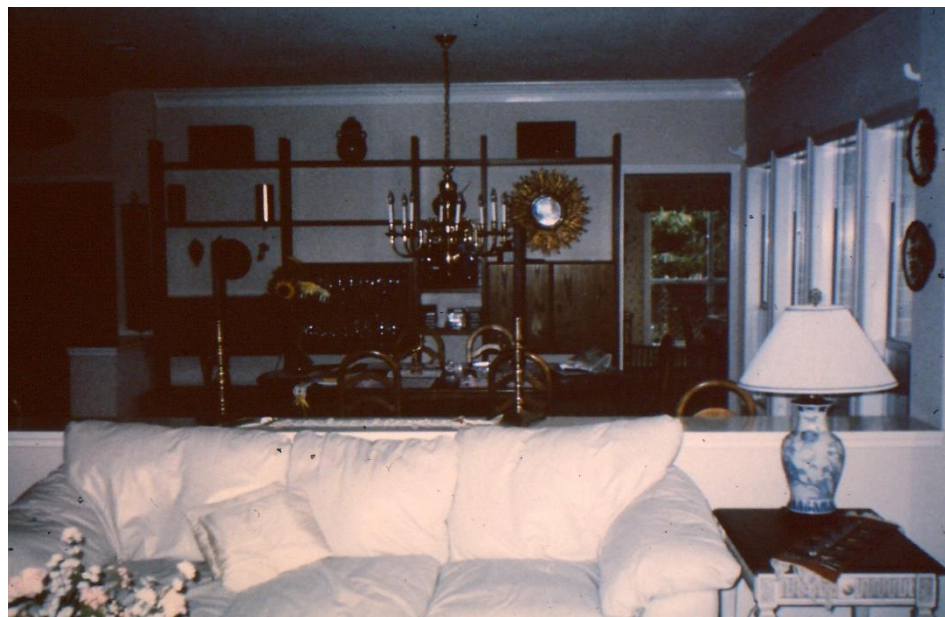
40HvS Sep1998: Bremond Block House, Austin. Two generations later some built beautiful mansion, but not everybody could do so.



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40: Ray Marshall's house, Austin



40: Inside Ray Marshall's house, Austin



40: Ray Marshall's Pool, Austin





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41HvS Sep1998: Apartments, Austin. In Austin more than half the people do not own their house, they are renting. Because there is a lot of space in Texas, even these apartments are not in highrises.



42: missing front view of 2319 Village circle. Our house, 2319 Village Circle in Austin TX, is about 220 meters square. People in Texas are very lucky about the size of houses they can have.



43Hvs: The yard behind the house is a quiet island in the middle of a big city of about ½ million people. [photo from 1979 before pool was installed]





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44HvS Sep1998: We have many wild birds and squirrels in our yard.



45HvS Sep1998: Flowerbeds and Bird Feeders



46HvS Sep1998: Of course, Hans has to do a lot work in the garden to keep it beautiful.



47HvS: In the evening we [and our guests] like to relax in the hot tub with "Whiskey" our dog. [Cocker Spaniel]

48: "Whiskey" is the master of the house



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49: "Whiskey" likes to relax with Hans in his chair

50: There are many different ethnic and cultural groups living in Austin. Our grandson in Kindergarten with two friends.



51HvS Sep1998: Most public schools have no school uniform. The High School in our neighborhood is a great mix of fashion, different types of students, even languages.





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51HvS Sep1998: High School in our neighborhood buying lunch from a Food Truck.

52: Missing. Out schools and many young people in Texas have serious problems. There is always a police car near our High Schools.



53: On special days the different ethnic groups dress up in the costumes of their forefathers. This Indian is ready for a Pow-wow.

54: Missing: The Scots have big gatherings of the clans.

55: Missing: German-Texans love to dance and sing.



56Hvs Sep1998: Nightlife is very diversified in Austin with Country Western dance hall having the longest tradition: Broken Spoke.





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57: Line dancing at the Broken Spoke, Austin. Line Dancing is a new and old way of dancing.



57: Texas two-step at the Broken Spoke, Austin.



58: Willy Nelson in concert. Many Country Western singers like Willie Nelson started out in Austin.



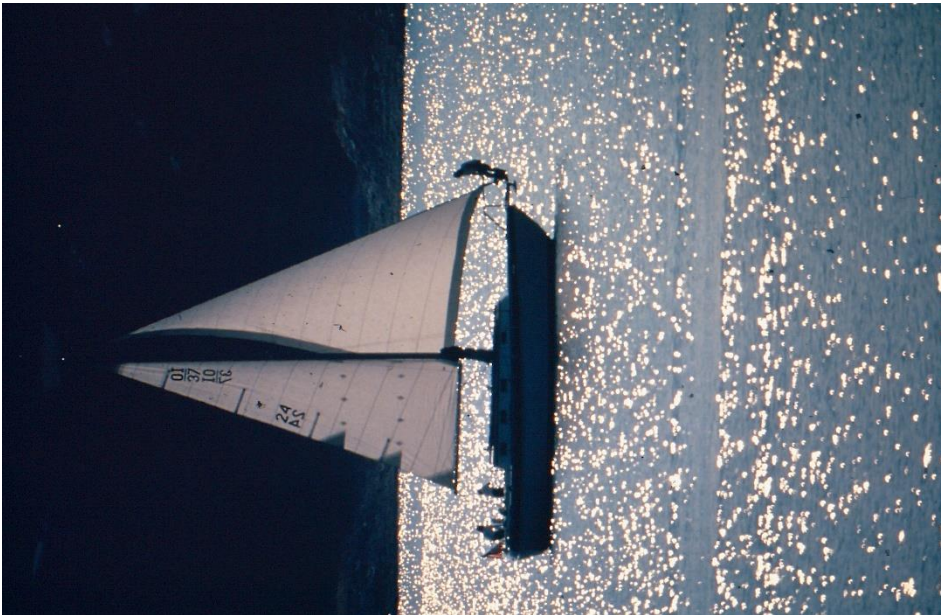
59: Fishing boat on lake. Very popular is fishing on the many lakes near Austin.



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60: Playing Golf, Lake Travis. For those who can afford it, playing golf is a good way to spend a day. The weather is often perfect; but often too hot in the afternoon.



61: Lake Travis, Sail Boat. After a long day at work, in the office or in the garden, sailing on the lake can be just what you need to relax.



61: View from Ed Fisher's house over Lake Travis.

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The following are Helga's original notes for each slide

Slide Show

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