

# Annual Report

SEPTEMBER 2004 – AUGUST 2005

Dear Members:

As I revisit the list of programs, films, exhibits and other accomplishments during fiscal year 2005, I am reminded that we are often so busy planning for future years that we lose track of what has been achieved in the present. The Museum strives to offer diverse and innovative programs and activities, and a look at 2004-2005 demonstrates that this year was no exception. For everything from the “Cootie Contest” held in conjunction with the IMAX® film *Bugs! 3D*, to the highly popular member TEXcursions trips, and the family programs presented in the special and permanent exhibits, you have encouraged the work of the Museum with your support and enthusiastic participation. The Museum Education and Marketing team organized fun and educational opening day activities for large format films *Bugs! 3D*, *Polar Express 3D*, *Young Black Stallion*, *Forces of Nature*, *Fighter Pilot*, and *Pulse: A Stomp Odyssey*. The Museum’s IMAX Theatre ranked as one of the nation’s top ten in *Polar Express 3D* attendance. In May, the Educator Curriculum Packet that accompanies the Museum’s signature film, *Texas: The Big Picture*, received national recognition with an Award for Excellence from the American Association of Museums.

Three outstanding special exhibitions organized and designed by the Museum Public Programming team: *Go West: The C. R. Smith Collection of Western Art*, *Landmark Maps of Texas*, and *Texas Movies* treated visitors to the work of renowned Western artists, rare and beautiful historic maps, and the props, posters, scripts and clips from some of the most famous movies filmed in and about Texas. A classical concert series and Explore the Story programs in the exhibits, public lectures, family workshops and the TEXpeditions summer youth program rounded out an array of activities that complemented both permanent and special exhibit schedules. In June, the Museum partnered with Humanities Texas to conduct a Teacher Institute in Galveston, focusing on immigration to Texas from 1845-1915. The Institute was organized in conjunction with the work currently supported by the National Endowment for the Humanities and the TSHM Foundation to research and organize an exhibition, *The Promise of Texas: Immigration to American through Texas’ Gulf Coast*, that will premier here in 2009 and travel to other museums around the state and country.

A new summer evening concert series was presented for the first time in 2005. Entitled *Music Under the Star*, visitors enjoyed free exhibits, international music on the Plaza and balcony dining. Plans are already underway for its return in 2006. The Museum Store Holiday Preview and Sale was again a record-breaking success. Facility rental events showcased the Museum to thousands of event guests, and our dedicated volunteers and expert Visitor Services team continued to welcome visitors from throughout the state, across the nation and around the world.

The Texas State History Museum Foundation inaugurated a new tradition this year by establishing the History-Making Texan Awards to be presented annually at the Texas Independence Day Dinner. The 2005 honorees were President and Mrs. George H. W. Bush and Mrs. Lyndon B. Johnson. Funds raised by the event provide significant support for Museum education and exhibition programs.

Thanks to each of you, near or far, who attend exhibits, films and lectures; participate in workshops and activities, join, write and email. With your help, we will continue to bring Texas history alive for everyone in Texas and the Texan in everyone.



The Bob Bullock Texas State History Museum is a dynamic, non-collecting, educational institution that engages visitors in the exciting Story of Texas through a variety of program and exhibit experiences. The Museum is a division of the State Preservation Board, the state agency also authorized to preserve and maintain the historic Texas Capitol, Capitol grounds, the Capitol Extension and Capitol Visitors Center. The Agency’s governing board is comprised of the following members:

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Fort Worth Museum of Science and History  
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General Land Office, Archives and Records  
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Visitors of all ages were star struck at the opening activities for the *Texas Movies* exhibit.



The Museum hosted the National Endowment for the Humanities Read Across America. The nationwide event is designed to generate enthusiasm for reading and highlight the importance of literacy for children.

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 Texas State Library & Archives Commission  
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 The Margaret Ann Morrow-Jones Family  
 The Midnight Star  
 The National Leadership Foundation  
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 The Texas Collection, Baylor University  
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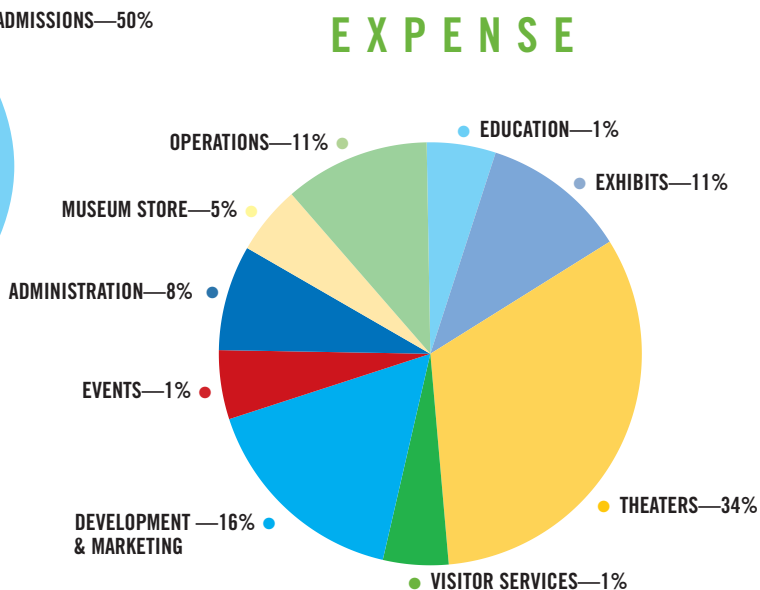
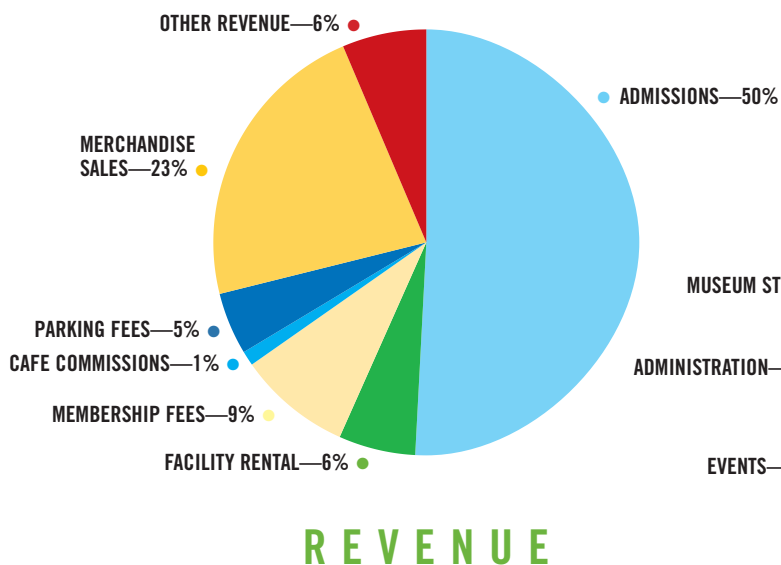
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