# **TEXAS HISTORY TOP TEN: Republic**

The Bullock Texas State History Museum's website is filled with artifacts, oral histories, highlights from curators, and interesting stories. The Texas History Top Ten tool is perfect if you only have a short amount of time, want a broad overview, or want to find hidden gems about a particular topic. Use this lists to help expand your content knowledge while planning classroom lessons for your students, or send your students on assignment to explore the Top Ten lists on their own.

# Republic

Texas was an independent republic before accepting annexation to the United States. That brief era was a time of growth, change, and establishing an independent mindset that still exists today.

- Land grant
- This land grant certificate was awarded to George W. Hockley for "having fought at San Jacinto"
- Presidential election results
  Washington County Election results September 12, 1836, when Stephen F.
  Austin ran for President of Texas against Sam Houston
- Muskets bought by Lamar to build Republic of Texas army
- Petition to reside in Texas

  Petition of Joseph Tate, a free Black man, requests permission to reside in Texas
  - Republic of Texas army hat
     Part of a new infantry uniform for a new republic



Washington County election results. Image courtesy Texas State Library and Archives Commission, Austin



David Burnet's traveling desk shown open for use. Image courtesy Elizabeth and Ken Higdon, Paris

- Early Texas maps
  - David Murr's maps trace Texas's transition from Mexican state to American state
- Travel desk
  This desk was David Burnet's mobile office during his term as Ad Interim
  President of the Republic of Texas
- Death announcement
  Announcement of Stephen F. Austin's death, December 28, 1836
- Peimbursement request
  December 1838 letter requesting reimbursement for costs incurred during the First Republic of Texas Congress in 1836
- Chronology of Texas as a Republic
  Select the years 1836 and 1839 to trace the chronology of Texas as a Republic



# **Types of Resources**

The Bullock Museum has a diversity of resources and voices to tell the many Stories of Texas. While using the Texas History Top Ten, explore a variety of tools:

#### Artifacts

Get an up-close look at the artifacts the Museum has displayed, and learn about their importance in Texas history. View the full Artifact Gallery here.

#### **Campfire Stories**

Using the mosaic embedded in the Museum's floor, interact with Texans from the past gathered around a campfire to share their stories. Discover the people who shaped Texas. View the mosaic here.

### **Special Exhibitions and Events**

Explore some of the stories and artifacts from the Bullock Museum's past temporary exhibitions and special events focusing on unique aspects of Texas history. View all past special exhibitions <a href="https://example.com/here">here</a>.

### **Texas History Timeline**

Use the interactive timeline tool to mix and match different events and stories to see how they line up in the chronology of Texas history. View the full timeline <a href="here">here</a>.

### **Texas Story Project**

Read oral history stories submitted by diverse Texans about their connections to the past. The Texas Story Project is best for finding stories that you wouldn't find in textbooks, like family stories and Texas folklore, and are generally not written by professional historians. View the full Texas Story Project <a href="here">here</a>.

#### **Assorted Resources**

Watch videos or participate in an <u>interactive distance learning program</u>.

Discover the AT-6A "Texan" Airplane in the Artifact Gallery

New Top Ten lists will be added over time to round out the full scope of the Texas History curriculum, so keep returning to the <u>website</u> for updates. Looking for more resources on these topics beyond the Top Ten, or curious how other teachers have used what is found on these lists? <u>Email Education@TheStoryofTexas.com</u>.



