

# AUSTIN WAY

WOMEN OF POWER

## *Renaissance Women*

MEET FIVE  
CREATIVE PLAYERS  
BEHIND AUSTIN'S  
A&E SCENE

CINCO FOR  
CINCO  
THE CITY'S  
BEST MARGARITAS,  
SALT OR NO SALT

THE RIGHT  
BITES  
THE GRAZER  
AND GOURMAND'S  
GUIDE TO THE  
AUSTIN FOOD &  
WINE FESTIVAL

PLUS  
PIERCE BROSNAN STARS  
IN AMC'S *THE SON*  
20 YEARS OF THE  
ALAMO DRAFTHOUSE  
LINING UP FOR  
AARON FRANKLIN'S  
NEW FEST  
ON THE PATIO WITH  
CAMILLE STYLES  
YETI'S COOL NEW FLAGSHIP

## BRING IT ON, *Brooklyn!*

AUSTIN'S LEADING LADY  
WOWS IN TECH, TV,  
& PHILANTHROPY





## **MAYA PAYNE SMART**

*The Wordsmith*

**The write stuff:** When she's not serving on boards like the Austin Public Library Friends Foundation or the Texas Book Festival and Literacy Coalition of Central Texas, Maya Payne Smart can be found reading and writing inspired content for her powerful lifestyle blog. On [MayaSmart.com](http://MayaSmart.com), she tackles hot topics with social commentary, interviews, and book reviews for "world-changing women."

**In the (library) cards:** "One thing I'm particularly excited about in Austin is the New Central Library, opening later this year," says Smart, wife of UT Men's

Basketball coach Shaka Smart. "It's a really phenomenal building with a lot of cool features in terms of sustainability." The library, which is pursuing platinum-level LEED certification, will house a Recycled Reads boutique and a cookbook-themed cafe run by ELM Restaurant Group.

**The next generation:** Smart spends time talking about books and ideas with her daughter. "I want her to grow up in a world that is better than the world I grew up in," says Smart. "I want her to have the kind of skills and perspective she needs to contribute to a better world." *website: [mayasmart.com](http://mayasmart.com); twitter: @mayasmart*