

Out & About December 21, 2017

The next outing for Out & About Special Interest Group will be December 21, 2017. We will once again go to the Armadillo Christmas Bazaar in Austin.

You will find an exciting variety of fine art, handmade gifts, heirloom pieces, and stocking stuffers for everyone on your list from over 160 carefully curated artists. The Armadillo makes holiday shopping fun in an upbeat, family-friendly environment. This is the place to find gifts from the heart and personally meet the artists. Live music starts daily at noon and continues throughout the day. Admission is \$8 at the door. They offer a full bar with cocktails, wine, beer and a wide selection of coffee in addition to a featured beer menu! There is concession and cafe style food available along with our Southside Flying Pizza menu. Enjoy!

I must say it has been an adventure to take the public transportation (ie: Cap Metro Bus #214 & Lakeline Metro rail) into downtown Austin for this outing. We will do the same this year. A day pass can be purchased for \$7 and will cover the bus ride and the rail coming and going. It will take about 30 minutes to get to the rail station at Lakeline. The train runs about every hour and only takes about 45 minutes to get into downtown.

We will take the 10:22A Metro Rail into downtown Austin to the rail station by the Austin Convention Center. The Cap Metro bus #214 from Lago Vista City Hall on Thunderbird departs promptly at 9:36A and will arrive Lakeline at 10:16A. Please bring your \$7 day pass fare in cash to avoid delays with transportation.

We'll take it one step further this year and connect with Ride Austin to the Palmer Event Center for the Armadillo Bazaar. I will need to make reservations so please be committed when you sign up for the outing.

Returning to Lago Vista, we will follow the same route in reverse. So even if it is "rush hour", it won't be a problem. Join us for a fun day at an Austin Christmas tradition and finish off your shopping.