

# museum musings

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## Big Bell County Garage Sale!

- Saturday, March 10, 2007, from 9-4 p.m.
- Bell County Expo Center, Belton, Texas
- Admission only \$2 per person; children under 12 free!
- Over 85 vendors!
- Best people-watching event in Central Texas
- Best example of mass redistribution of goods in Central Texas
- Your opportunity to find bargain treasures, collectibles, toys, -- you name it, it's here!
- Plenty of free parking, no long lines
- Major fundraiser for the Bell County Museum

Opening June 30<sup>th</sup>...

### THE FACE OF TEXAS: PHOTOGRAPHS BY MICHAEL O'BRIEN

We are pleased to announce a new exhibit opening June 30, 2007: *The Face of Texas: Photographs by Michael O'Brien*. Organized by the Old Jail Art Center of Albany, Texas, this wonderful exhibit celebrates the individuality and independent spirit of Texas through portraits of its people. Photographer Michael O'Brien is a freelance magazine photographer who began his career as a staff photographer for the *Miami News*, where he won multiple awards for his work. His photographs have appeared many times in *Texas Monthly*, often on the cover. *The Face of Texas* is a selection of photographs from a book of the same title published by Bright Sky Press of Albany. An essay written by O'Brien's wife, journalist Elizabeth O'Brien, accompanies each photograph.

The vivid images in the exhibit present a fascinating and diverse array of native and adoptive Texans, from powerful big-city movers to unique small-town characters. Among the well-known Texans featured are Willie Nelson, Lady Bird Johnson, President and Mrs. George W. Bush, Troy Aikman, Earl Campbell, Sissy Spacek, and the musical group Destiny's Child. Lesser known but nonetheless intriguing subjects are Ran Horn, the self-styled "Van Gogh of Van Horn," the Gatorfest Queen and other Texas beauty queens, and members of the Odd Fellows chapter of Waxahachie. The exhibition will be on view through August 25, 2007.