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Slackery News Tidbits: June 16, 2014

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Here's the latest Austin and Texas film news.

- Austin filmmaker [Robert Rodriguez's *El Rey Network*](#) will have its corporate headquarters and production in Austin, becoming the first general entertainment network to have a formal production home in Texas, [Deadline Hollywood](#) reports.
- The Orchard, a pioneering independent music, film and video distribution company and top-ranked multichannel network, has acquired worldwide rights to acclaimed sports feature [No No: A Documentary](#) ([Caitlin's review](#)), directed by [Jeffrey Radice](#) ([Caitlin's interview](#)). The documentary premiered at this year's Sundance Film Festival, then screened at SXSW. The feature, which will be available through The Orchard's documentary imprint Opus Docs, takes an in-depth look at the life surrounding baseball legend Dock Ellis.
- The completely University of Texas at Austin-staffed feature [Arlo and Julie](#) ([Elizabeth's review](#)) was profiled in the university's yearlong series, "[The Creative Campus](#)." The comedy, about a neurotic couple (former Austinites [Ashley Spillers](#) and [Alex Dobrenko](#)) who become obsessed with a mysterious puzzle, made its world premiere at this year's SXSW and was directed by UT Lecturer [Steve Mims](#).
- In award news, Austin-based filmmaker [Richard Linklater](#) and the Austin-shot feature [Intramural](#) recently won fan-favorite awards at this year's Seattle International Film Festival, according to [The Seattle Times](#). Linklater's latest, [Boyhood](#), which chronicles the life of a child from age six to 18 and stars native Texan [Ethan Hawke](#) and [Patricia Arquette](#), won Best Director; fellow Austin filmmaker [Andrew Disney's *Intramural*](#), about a fifth-year college senior's last-ditch attempt at an intramural football win, won Best Guilty Pleasure.
- Vegans (and vegetarians) rejoice: Alamo Drafthouse Village now offers [vegan menu items](#) like spiced tofu tacos and oatmeal cherry cookies, among others.
- Drafthouse news continues: Acclaimed director Bong Joon Ho's sci-fi thriller [Snowpiercer](#), about a dystopian future where earth's remaining survivors perpetually circle the globe on a train, will screen during a special [Rolling Roadshow](#) at 6 pm on June 21. Attendees will board a train in Cedar Park to Burnet, where the screening will take place under the stars with Ho in attendance. This sneak peek screening precedes the movie's US release; it will screen at Alamo Drafthouse Lakeline on June 27.
- The Austin Film Festival's [Made in Texas](#) series presents a screening of [The Three Burials of Melquiades Estrada](#) on Wednesday at 7 pm at the Texas Spirit Theater (1800 Congress Ave.). This 2005 Cannes awardwinner follows a man (Texas native Tommy Lee Jones) on a quest to fulfill a promise to his recently deceased best friend by burying him in his hometown in Mexico. Some of the movie's cast and crew will be in attendance for a post-screening Q&A.
- KLRU and the George Washington Carver Museum and Cultural Center have partnered to present a [free screening](#) of [Freedom Summer](#) on Thursday at 7 pm. This documentary traces the history of the Mississippi Freedom Democratic Party.
- Finally, Austin filmmaker [PJ Raval's](#) ([Jordan's interview](#)) documentary [Before You Know It](#) ([Don's SXSW review](#)), which made its world premiere at SXSW 2013, will have a weeklong theatrical run at [Violet Crown Cinema](#) beginning Friday.

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