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Slackery News Tidbits, April 16

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Here's the latest Austin film news.

- In celebration of the upcoming release of Richard Linklater's film Bernie, AFS will host a screening and party with Linklater, co-writer Skip Hollandsworth and co-star Matthew McConaughey at 7 pm on Thursday, April 26 at Violet Crown Cinema. The screening will be followed by an after-party in the Violet Crown bar and cafe that will include complimentary drinks and barbecue. The event proceeds benefit the Texas Filmmaker Production Fund.
- Congratulations to Austin documentary Trash Dance (Mike's review), which won the audience award this weekend at the Full Frame Documentary Film Festival in Durham.
- Donnie Darko director Richard Kelly has planned to start filming in Corpus Christi and Austin this summer for the aptly-titled movie Corpus Christi, according to Joe M. Connell's blog. The movie is about a mentally unstable Iraq War veteran who becomes friends with his boss and politcially ambitious supermarket chain owner. Variety reported that Edgar Ramirez (Carlos) is set to star in the movie, financed by Robert Rodriguez's Quick Draw Productions.
- Director Paul Bright's sci-fi drama Goliad Rising will make its world premiere at 7:30 pm on Thursday, June 21 at the Bob Bullock Texas State History Museum's Texas Spirit Theater. The movie follows Ariel Loner (Shannon Lark) as she leads an underground group intent to stop the Goliad Corporation from taking control of the U.S. government with their latest technology that subversively brainwashes Americans. Bright told AMFM Magazine that his decision to premiere the movie in Austin was a "no brainer" because most of the cast are Austinites and it was filmed in the city.
- · Austin Movie Blog reported that industry website The Wrap has included UT alumni Jay and Mark Duplass on their list of the top 10 producers it predicts will change Hollywood in 2012. The filmmaking duo made a name for themselves with the 2005 release of *The Puffy Chair*. Up next for the brothers is the tentatively June 2012 release of the family comedy The Do-Deca-Pentathlon (J.C.'s review).
- The Austin-produced feature film Sushi: The Global Catch won the Audience Award at the Second Annual San Francisco Green Festival last month. The movie, shot in five nations, explores the evolution and impact of sushi, from its humble beginnings on the streets of Tokyo to popular global cuisine. Produced and directed by Mark Hall and edited by Sandra Adair, the movie has generated buzz following its world premiere and Documentary Special Jury Award at the Seattle International Film Festival in June 2011.
- Director Tobe Hooper's 1969 psychedelic/political debut feature film **Eggshells** is available to watch online.

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