

Old School Bar and Grill ~ “Foodie” Friday 6/10/16

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Originally built in 1874, this restaurant has been designated an historical landmark by the City of Austin. You'll want to be sure to check it out and see what all it has to offer! With one of the best views on 6th Street, this is a sure to please whether for lunch, dinner or late night, your choice...give it a try!

OLD SCHOOL BAR AND GRILL <http://oldschoolaustin.com/>

The Old School was originally the Austin Cotton Exchange with cotton bales on the main floor and offices on the second floor. Later it was a market for dry goods, groceries, clothing and more. Today, it's home to the best food on Sixth St. in Austin. The patio is a huge 1500 sq. ft. patio that looks like something you would find in New Orleans. It overlooks the busiest corner in the historical 6th St. district of Austin and is famous for its view of the iconic Ritz Theater.

The Ritz was built in 1929 and was the first theater in Austin to be built specifically for the 'talkies'! To preserve a piece of Austin's musical heritage, the dance floor of the famous Armadillo World Headquarters has been fabricated into the east wall of the Old School. What makes this dance floor so special is those who have danced on it – Willie Nelson, ZZ Top, Janis Joplin, Frank Zappa and more! The second floor patio has its own fame, having most recently been used for bands in SXSW 2013.

There are misters for hot weather and gas lamps for dining at night.

For an appetizer, try the Mac-N-Cheese Wedge...a wedge of macaroni cooked with 5 Italian white cheeses and seasonings then drizzled with a creamy garlic cheese sauce. They are famous for their burgers – choose from the Stevie Ray: a premium burger ground fresh daily from 2 prime steak cuts; the Bevo: a premium burger topped with natural cheddar cheese and caramelized onions; or the Zilker Park: a premium burger topped with fresh guacamole, bacon, mayonnaise and pepper jack cheese.

Click on this link and see what's happening thru the lens of the camera for [Earthcam.com](http://www.earthcam.com) that's on their roof capturing their famous view of 6th Street: <http://www.earthcam.com/usa/texas/austin/>. Then check out this video of Lisa Marie Presley performing at the Old School during SXSW 2014:

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