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BRACE YOURSELVES, *STAR WARS*™ FANS... YOU MIGHT WANT TO SIT DOWN. JUNE 18 THRU SEPTEMBER 18, **THE HEALTH MUSEUM** WILL HOST AN INNOVATIVE EXHIBIT, *STAR WARS: WHERE SCIENCE MEETS IMAGINATION*. PRESENTED BY BOSE CORPORATION AND DEVELOPED BY THE MUSEUM OF SCIENCE, BOSTON AND LUCASFILM LTD., THE *STAR WARS* OBJECTS ARE ON LOAN FROM THE ARCHIVES OF LUCASFILM LTD. THE EXHIBIT EXPLORES THE FUTURISTIC TECHNOLOGIES DEPICTED IN THE *STAR WARS* FILMS, THE REAL SCIENCE BEHIND THEM AND THE RESEARCH THAT MAY SOMEDAY LEAD TO REAL-LIFE VERSIONS OF THE TECHNOLOGIES SEEN IN THE FILM SERIES, PLUS PROPS AND COSTUMES FROM ALL SIX *STAR WARS* FILMS. [WWW.THEHEALTHMUSEUM.ORG/STARWARS](http://WWW.THEHEALTHMUSEUM.ORG/STARWARS)

## DEVELOPMENT



**HOUSTON HOUSE** is a 31-story apartment building built in 1966 by noted Washington architect Charles Goodman (also architect for 24 East Greenway Plaza). The mid-century modern building, then considered one of the most stylish luxury high-rise apartment buildings in Houston, is currently undergoing a renovation and restoration in excess of \$10 million. Slated for completion by spring 2012, rental rates will range from approximately \$1,000 up to \$2,800 per month. For information, call 713.308.2000. [www.HoustonHouseApts.com](http://www.HoustonHouseApts.com)

## LOCAL LAUNCHES

Houston author and columnist Lori Lemon Geshay recently release her book, *Dating Diva Adventures*, sharing her personal dating experiences while on the quest for true love. *Dating Diva Adventures* begins with three BFFs in tow, who create an online dating profile for Lori with a well-known social networking site. After over 3,286 hits in 30 days, Lori set out on a journey of self-discovery in hopes to learn about her own needs, desires and basic human interaction while on

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...need to lose your glamour at the hospital any more. **CURE-COUTURE** makes a fashionable gown that is functional. From chemotherapy to child delivery or at-home care, [www.cure-couture.com](http://www.cure-couture.com) offers a variety of options to keep you chic! Creator Lindsay Alvarado was the Design Assistant/Creative Director at Linda Segal Design for more than 25 years. Segal, who lost her battle with breast cancer in 2009, had the idea of chic patient gowns, but never got the chance to fulfill that dream. Her daughter Ashley with design protégée Lindsay fulfilled it for her.

## TRAVEL



Austin's award-winning **BARTON CREEK RESORT & SPA** in the Hill Country launches "Spa Splash," where Three Springs Spa guests will be allowed daytime access to the resort's refreshing outdoor pool – until now only available to overnight guests and club members. Guests who purchase any 50-minute spa service will receive a pool pass for the day, a glass of wine, parking and up to 90 minutes of complimentary childcare. Prices start at \$99. For more information, call 1.800.336.6158 or visit [www.bartoncreek.com/spasplash](http://www.bartoncreek.com/spasplash). • **HOTEL MISSONI KUWAIT**, in collaboration with iconic Italian fashion and interiors house Missoni, opened its 169-key property, part of the Symphony Center, a boutique emporium located in the shopping district of Kuwait City. This is the Rezidor Hotel Group's second Hotel Missoni; the first opened in Edinburgh, Scotland, in June 2009. [www.hotelmissoni.com](http://www.hotelmissoni.com)

## HEALTH + BEAUTY

**CRAFT SALON** owner Cara Crafton will introduce The Do Bar, Houston's first blowout-only bar offering a high-end professional salon blow dry and style for a fraction of the high-end salon price, at West Ave. in River Oaks by June

2011. The salon will be open 7 days a week and will not offer color treatment or haircuts; rather it will focus only on hair blowouts with a menu of styles to choose from, all for \$35. •



**AZUR SALON** recently opened their second location Azur West, designated as a Shu Uemura Art of Hair Sanctuary Salon, one of just three in the U.S. The new 2,000sf luxury salon, designed by prominent retail designer Peter Millard, serves as a designated educational center for Shu Uemura Art of Hair stylists to receive training on new and existing products. Azur West is located in West Avenue.

**FLOSS DENTAL** recently opened their third location in Rice Village, right next door to J. Silver. The one-stop shop dental office's appeal is their simple approach.

Dental services offered in a super-modern space, surrounded by cool art and superb service. [www.flossdental.com](http://www.flossdental.com).

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## WEDDING



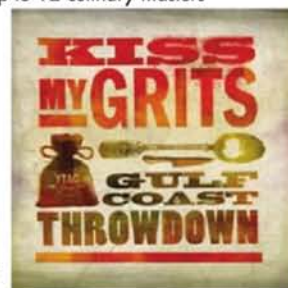
**PRISCILLA OF BOSTON**, **BRIDAL COUTURE HOUSE**, IS ELEVATING THE BRAND EXPERIENCE WITH A NEW WEB SERIES OF VIDEOS SHOWCASING A BRIDE PREPARING FOR HER WEDDING DAY. THE FIRST VIDEO VIGNETTE, *YOUR MOMENT*, SHOWCASES A BRIDE ENJOYING THE PERSONAL AND QUIET MOMENTS THAT COME BEFORE SHE SHARES HER WEDDING WITH HER GROOM, FRIENDS AND FAMILY, FROM PUTTING ON HER JEWELRY, SHOES AND THEN FINALLY THE DRESS AS SHE WALKS TOWARDS HER WEDDING CEREMONY. [WWW.YOUTUBE.COM/USER/PRISCILLAOFBOSTON](http://WWW.YOUTUBE.COM/USER/PRISCILLAOFBOSTON) [WWW.PRISCILLAOFBOSTON.COM](http://WWW.PRISCILLAOFBOSTON.COM) • BRIDES-TO-BE, THINK OUTSIDE THE BOX! A BEVVY OF SHOPS HAVE OPENED WEDDING BRANCHES INCLUDING [SHOPBOB.COM](http://SHOPBOB.COM), [BLOOMINGDALE'S](http://BLOOMINGDALE'S) AND [ANTHROPOLGIE](http://ANTHROPOLGIE), TO NAME A FEW. SO GET READY TO EXPAND YOUR SEARCH.

## COMMUNITY

Houston is kicking off **PetsJam! 2011**, May 14 and 15 at Tom Bass Park. The pet-friendly family festival presents over 100 exhibits featuring pet services, retail items with pet contests, attractions, working dog demonstrations, celebrities plus live music – all to raise money for The Humane Society. [www.petsjam.org](http://www.petsjam.org) • **MARKET SQUARE'S GOT SOME GREAT EVENTS THIS MONTH:** April 3 & May 1, first Sunday of every month join the Bayou Bikers for an informal meet-up featuring the beauty of Houston's waterways on 25-40 mile rides exploring the area's bayous. Rides are free and open to all skill levels, but mountain bikes or bikes with fat tires are nec-



presents the Houston Sound Spring Concert Series, a free neighborhood music series supporting the mission of The Houston Sound. April 16, 4-9:30pm (screening at 8pm). Join Aurora Picture Show for a special series of artist-made short films inspired by and in partnership with The Houston Humane Society and in collaboration with the Downtown District for a dog- and family-friendly event. For more information, visit [www.marketsquarepark.com](http://www.marketsquarepark.com). • **YTAC (Young Texans Against Cancer) Kiss My Grits – Gulf Coast Throwdown** is scheduled this year for Thursday, April 21, at Winter Street Studios. Up to 12 culinary masters including Restaurant Cinq's Chef Jeremie Robison; Underbelly's Chef Chris Shepherd; Zelko Bistro's Chef Jamie Zelko; Beaver's Chef Jonathan Jones; Quisie's Chef Ouisie Adams and Ouench's Chef Jason Gould will prepare signature versions of dishes with one special ingredient – GRITS! The signature event helps raise funds YTAC 2012 Beneficiaries including The Methodist Hospital Foundation and MD Anderson Cancer Center. Individual tickets are \$65 at [houston.ytac.org](http://houston.ytac.org).



## RETAIL

Fashion designers who have not yet tapped into Houston's local shopping scene will be featured Saturday, May 16, from 9am until 6pm at Boheme, a coffee/wine bar tucked away in Houston's Montrose area. **THE FIND** created by Houston native Chelsea Dreyer is made up of a selected group of talented, emerging designers selling their jewelry, handbags, shoes and ready-to-wear collections. The fashion market's third year will be a Spanish market-style shopping experience. For more information, visit [www.thefind-houston.blogspot.com](http://www.thefind-houston.blogspot.com). Tickets are \$10; available for purchase at the door. Boheme, 307 Fairview, Houston, TX 77006



## FOOD



**CORDÚA RESTAURANTS SIGNED A LEASE IN SUGAR LAND'S LAKE POINTE VILLAGE WEST TO OPEN A NEW CHURRASCO. THE RESTAURANT WILL BE APPROXIMATELY 7,500SF, INNOVATIVE AND VIBRANT IN ITS DINING EXPERIENCES WITH SIGNATURE ELEMENTS TO ANY CORDÚA RESTAURANT SET TO BE IN PLACE. SLATED TO OPEN FALL 2011. • ARTURO BOADA HAS LEFT HIS EONYMOUS HAUNT IN UPTOWN PARK AND IS SLATED TO OPEN A CASUAL EATERY CALLED BOADA NEAR TANGLEWOOD.**