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Museum of the Big Bend in Alpine, TX Honored as Top Western Museum by *True West Magazine!*

Deep in the heart of Texas, stands an institution featuring rare maps, retablos and arrowheads from the Davis Mountains. There's even more—and the future looks remarkably bright.

That is one reason The Museum of the Big Bend is #9 among *True West Magazine's* 2022 Top Western Museums. They will be featured in the September 2022 issue, hitting newsstands on August 10, 2022. The National Cowboy and Western Heritage Museum of Oklahoma City, OK took top honors.

Looking ahead, the museum's major expansion project will include a new permanent gallery plus additional temporary galleries. Among the highlights of the new space will be an area dedicated to the art of Tom Lea, one of the premiere horse and cattle artists of the Southwest

"The Museum of the Big Bend is already a first-class art and history museum," says *True West* Executive Editor Bob Boze Bell. "But it is moving forward into an exciting future, preserving Old West history and culture and presenting it to the world. There's no question: the Museum of the Big Bend is a Top Western Museum."

This is the 17th year *True West* has presented this annual award. Editors, led by Candy Moulton, base their selection on criteria evaluating exhibits, facilities, multi-media and online accessibility, events, and promotion of historic/cultural resources.

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