

Will Work for Food

Four Austinites with jobs any foodie would envy

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No taqueria, taco truck, hole-in-the-wall or strip-mall restaurant is off limits to Mando Rayo and his eating cohorts at tacojournalism.com, no matter how “questionable” the spot, nor are specialty meats such as tripe and barbacoa. He goes where squeamish novices don’t dare, paving the way for hungry, curious taco-loving Texans. The Web site was started by Jarod Neece and Justin Bankston, who invited Rayo to join them after seeing his writing on Austinist.com. The rest is taco history. A star rating system, photos, film clips, maps, guest posts and El Mundo de Mando’s honest reviews, sense of humor and constructive criticism (peppered with the occasional Spanish phrase) make this site a joy to read.