

July 24

Masculine Swagger

Bancroft Street Market, 2702 S. 10th St.
10 a.m.-10 p.m., FREE, executivebird.
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James Brown once said that this is a man's world. But, 1) he's (hopefully) wrong (eventually), and 2) what the hell is masculinity today? Young boys were once told to man up, to grow a pair, to act more like Bo Jackson or Batman or something, but now we've got a world with conflicting views of masculinity. That's sort of at the heart of the art installation Masculine Swagger — Indiana artist Aaron Nemec's multimedia ode to and lampoon of masculinity in pop culture. Characteristics in his crosshairs include "ambition, confidence, potent sexuality, and affinity for violence." It also includes creepy, Brady Bunch-style tiles of men-folk singing the same song, which is certainly a sight to see.

