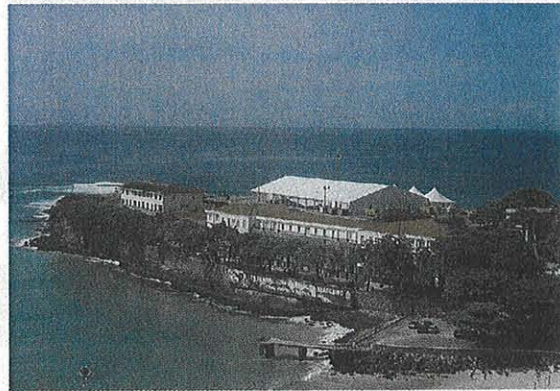




## BEST TENT INSTALLATION: TENT BUDGET UNDER \$75,000 continued

### PREMIERE TENTS & EVENTS, AUSTIN, TEXAS/ WORD OF MOUTH CATERING, AUSTIN, TEXAS

Premiere Tents set up an air-conditioned frame tent to hold the birthday festivities for two theaters in Austin, Texas, which included dancing, dinner, auctions and a show. Setup of the 30-by-300-foot tent began at 3 a.m.; once assembled, the tent was walked down Congress Avenue to clear the road for the Congress Avenue Mile Race. After the race, the tent was walked back to a site where guests could view the Paramount Theater's sign through the tent's clear top.



## BEST TENT INSTALLATION: TENT BUDGET \$75,000 AND ABOVE

### DE BOER VININGS, AUSTELL, GA.

De Boer provided nearly 14,000 square feet of tented space to showcase vehicles at The Drive Las Vegas. Three tents made of polyvinyl chloride, aluminum and steel comprised the space for the event. A new structure dubbed the Chateau offered shade from the desert heat with a 20-foot open side and some 200 smoked-glass windows. Another tent, the Euro Jumbo, featured a 30-foot-high peak.

### REGAL TENT PRODUCTIONS, STONEY CREEK, ONTARIO

A 200-guest private concert by rocker Rod Stewart in Texas needed a tent large enough for a full-scale musical act while still providing an intimate feeling. Regal Tent Productions provided the perfect tent for the occasion—a structure with a 40-by-20-meter footprint that stood about 8 meters high. The balancing act for such a tall tent was achieved with custom-designed knee braces. Other challenges arose from the concert's location in the desert: not only did the crew have to watch out for rattlesnakes, scorpions and fire ants but stake holes had to be drilled through the rocky ground. (Photo at right.)

### SO FINE EVENT DESIGN, CONCORD, CALIF./ REP EVENTOS, SAO PAULO, BRAZIL

A 30-by-60-meter clear-span tent with a 60-meter window wall allowed 900 guests at a private wedding to see Copacabana Beach in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. Situated on an operational base for the Brazilian army, the tent sat on a peninsula above the ocean, requiring a careful and extended setup due to crosswinds coming off the ocean. Weather-related concerns continued when the tent was struck by lightning during a thunderstorm on the night of the event—no one was hurt due to the tent's grounded lightning rods. (Photo at top right.)

