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^ Bouncing Boys (1981). "The yard becomes an extension of the house when it's hot," says Hudnall. "In the inner city, people learn to improvise to live and survive."

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