



Atlanta Update *July-September 2006*

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July 2006 Events

Fantastic Fourth Celebration at Stone Mountain Park, July 1-4

America's birthday bash lasts for three days at Stone Mountain Park. Come for daylong attractions and settle in for an evening of fireworks, which are shot from both the base and top of Stone Mountain and rival the best in the South. For more information, call 770.498.5690 or visit www.stonemountainpark.com.

Fourth of July Celebration and Fireworks at Lenox Square Mall, July 4

Celebrate the Fourth of July at Lenox Square mall. Join in the festivities, beginning at 5 p.m., and then take in the magnificent fireworks show, starting around 9:30 p.m. For more information, call 404.233.6767.

Peachtree Road Race, July 4

The Peachtree Road Race is a hilly, 6.2-mile course through the heart of the city. With 55,000 runners, it is recognized as the largest 10K in the world. For more information, call 404.231.9064 or visit www.atlantatrackclub.org.

Fourth of July Celebration and Salute 2 America Parade at Centennial Olympic Park, July 4

Come early with your blankets, picnic baskets and sunscreen to the Park's emerald lawns, and enjoy a day of family entertainment and children's activities as fireworks light up the night. The Salute 2 America Parade begins at Centennial Olympic Park and travels along Marietta Street to Peachtree Street and ends at Baker Street, featuring floats and celebrities. For more information, call 404.222.PARK or visit www.centennialpark.com.

"BKLYN," at Fox Theatre, July 11-16

American Idol runner-up Diana DeGarmo stars in this straight-from-Broadway production at The Fox Theatre that follows a young girl's search for fame and the father she never knew. For ticket information, call 404.252.8960 or visit www.foxtheatre.org.

National Black Arts Festival, July 14-23

This 10-day cultural festival celebrates the contributions of Africans and African-Americans to art with events throughout the city featuring the work of more than 1,000 artists from the Caribbean, Africa, Europe and the Americas. For more information, call 404.730.7315 or visit www.nbaf.org.

T.D. Jakes MegaFest, July 19-21

MegaFest 2006 combines Bishop T.D. Jakes' *Woman, Thou Art Loosed!* and *ManPower* conferences and includes separate youth and children's forums into a powerful Christian conference designed to meet the spiritual and entertainment needs of the entire family. For more information, call 800.967.8717 or visit www.Mega-Fest.com.

Great Atlanta MusicFest, July 21-23

Enjoy this special tribute to Blues with scheduled performers Harvey Scates, Bob Miles, Gospel Silvernairs and many more. For more information, visit www.sweetauburn.com.

Star Fest, July 22

Experience Star 94's Star Fest, a one-day, two-stage, outdoor music festival located in the heart of midtown at the exciting new development Atlantic Station. Featured performers include Train, Pink and Nickel Creek among many more. For more information, call 404.261.2970 or visit www.star94.com.

"Mamma Mia!" at Fox Theatre, July 25-30

Experience the story and music that more than 20 million people have fallen in love with when it appears at The Fox Theatre. For more information, call 404.881.2100 or visit www.foxtheatre.org.

Atlanta Symphony Orchestra's 8th Annual Bark in the Park Concert, July 30

Bark in the Park, now in its eighth year, features canine frisbee-catching exhibitions, pet adoption opportunities and light classical favorites. This year Atlanta Symphony Orchestra Conductor Jere Flint leads the Orchestra in mostly animal-themed selections by Strauss, Ravel, Debussy, Saint-Saens, Wagner, Von Suppe, Cailliet, Mancini and Tchaikovsky. For more information, call 404.875.7275 or visit www.piedmontpark.org.

August 2006 Events

Kid's Fest at Six Flags Over Georgia, Aug. 5-6

It's a whole weekend just for kids. Join Radio Disney as they present a fun and exciting weekend full of music, interactive exhibits, games and much, much more. Raven Symone, B5 and Ashley Parker Angel live in concert. For more information, call 770.948.9290 or visit <http://www.sixflags.com/parks/overgeorgia/>.

"Bombay Dreams," at Fox Theatre, Aug. 8-13

See this dazzling spectacle set amid India's bustling film industry at The Fox Theatre. "Bombay Dreams" features a lush score, glittering costumes and exotic dance numbers. For ticket information, call 404.252.8960 or visit www.foxtheatre.org.

“Dr. Dolittle,” at Fox Theatre, Aug. 22-27

Nine-time Tony Award-winner Tommy Tune stages and stars in the whimsical tale of Dr. Dolittle, the world-renowned veterinarian who talks to the animals, at The Fox Theatre. For ticket information, call 404.252.8960 or visit www.foxtheatre.org.

Grant Park Summer Shade Festival, Aug. 26-27

Enjoy the fourth annual Grant Park Summer Shade Festival in historic Grant Park. Stroll under the shade of century old trees, shop in the artist market and enjoy foods and beverages, live entertainment, children's activities, 5K Run for the Park and more. For more information, call 404.521.0938 or visit www.gpconservancy.org.

September 2006 Events

“Bunnacula,” at 7 Stages, Sept. 2-24

See the story of Chester the cat and Harold the dog, who have a happy life until their family brings home a sweet little bunny found at the movie theatre. Suddenly, the vegetables in the fridge turn up pure white. Chester and Harold have their suspicions, but it's just a little bunny. Or is it? For ticket information, call 404.325.5168 or visit www.synchrotheatre.com.

“Beauty and the Beast,” at Fox Theatre, Sept. 5-10

Join the pompous clock Cogsworth, the dashing lovestruck candelabra Lumiere and the wise and lovable teapot Mrs. Potts in the classic tale as old as time at The Fox Theatre. For ticket information, call 404.252.8960 or visit www.foxtheatre.org.

38th Annual Yellow Daisy Festival at Stone Mountain Park, Sept. 7-10

The Yellow Daisy Festival is one of Georgia's largest craft shows of its kind, boasting more than 450 vendors from 45 states and three countries. Voted by *Sunshine Artists* magazine as one of the nation's top 10 arts and crafts shows, the festival features open-air shopping, live entertainment and food. To learn more, call 770.498.5633 or visit www.stonemountainpark.com.

“Elliot, a Soldier's Fugure,” at Alliance Theatre, Sept. 8-Oct. 1

Experience this thought-provoking exploration of combat and the soldiers who serve playing at Alliance Theatre. For ticket information, call 404.733.4690 or visit www.alliancetheatre.org.

“The Thing About Men,” at Horizon Theatre, Sept. 15-Nov. 12

See this new musical comedy about an advertising executive who will stop at nothing in an outrageous attempt to win back his wife's affections at Horizon Theatre. For ticket information, call 404.584.7450 or visit www.horizontheatre.com.

JapanFest at Stone Mountain Park, Sept. 23-24

Experience an authentic Japanese outdoor festival at this annual celebration at Stone Mountain Park. Japanese cuisine is accompanied by bonsai displays, taiko drumming and dance performances to provide a multifaceted look at the ancient traditions of this culture. To find out more, call 404.842.0736 or visit www.japanfest.org.

“Mrs. Warren's Profession,” at Alliance Theatre, Sept. 27-Oct. 22

See this honest portrait of working women and emotional portrayal of the relationship between a street savvy mother and her intelligent, independent daughter at the Alliance Theatre. For ticket information, call 404.733.5000 or visit www.alliancetheatre.org.

Atlanta Celebrates Photography, Sept. 28-Oct. 31

More than 100 exhibits, artist talks, a lecture series and studio tours provide a chance to experience the versatility of artistic expression on film. For more information, call 404.634.8664 or visit www.acpinfo.org.

Atlanta Football Classic, Sept. 30

The Bank of America Atlanta Football classic features historically African-American colleges and universities and draws crowds of more than 69,000 football fans to the Georgia Dome. For ticket information, call 800.326.4000 or visit www.atlantafootballclassic.com.

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