



Atlanta Lights up the Sky this Fourth of July

ATLANTA (June 15, 2007) – Celebrate America’s birthday in Atlanta this July with a lineup of events and activities that offer something for everyone.

Head to Lenox Square for a traditional Fourth of July in Atlanta with the annual [Peachtree Road Race](#), beginning at 7:30 a.m. In its 38th year, the race is the largest 10K in the world with 55,000 runners. That evening, be a part of Atlanta’s legendary Fourth of July Celebration, the [AirTran Airways 4th of July at Lenox Square – Presented by BellSouth](#). Now in its 47th year, the evening will begin with live entertainment at 5 p.m. and conclude with the largest fireworks display in the Southeast, which starts at 9:40 p.m.

Head downtown to enjoy the festivities with the [47th Annual WSB Salute 2 America Parade](#), the nation’s largest Independence Day Parade, at 1 p.m. Beginning at the intersection of Peachtree Street and Ralph McGill Boulevard, the parade will proceed down Peachtree Street and end in Centennial Olympic Park. This year’s lineup includes Grand Marshal and Atlanta Braves Manager Bobby Cox, special appearances by Miss America 2007, television stars from ABC hit shows, nearly 100 colorful units including sparkling floats, award-winning marching bands and representatives from the armed forces.

Stay in the park after the parade for the annual [Centennial Olympic Park 4th of July Celebration](#), which features children’s arts and crafts, street performers and shopping at unique food and merchandise vendors, followed by live music beginning at 5 p.m. American Idol winner Ruben Studdard will close the show before the finale of the evening, the AirTran Airways Spectacular Fireworks Show.

[Stone Mountain Park](#) celebrates independence with its two-day Fantastic Fourth Celebration, an exciting salute to America. During the day, enjoy Georgia’s most popular attraction featuring a variety of scenic, historic, recreational and leisure activities for the whole family. The evenings begin with the Lasershow Spectacular, and follow with a traditional fireworks display. The 4th of July will bring an even more spectacular show, as fireworks will be shot from both the base and the top of Stone Mountain.

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