



Fourth of July in Atlanta

ATLANTA (June 16, 2005) – There is something for everyone sparking up in Atlanta this Fourth of July. With the city’s great selection of events and activities, everyone will find a way to celebrate with a bang.

Head out 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 36th year, the race is the largest 10K in the world with 55,000 runners. That evening, **Fourth of July at Lenox Square** fireworks extravaganza sheds some light on Atlanta with the largest fireworks show in the Southeast, including a unique, patriotic laser and video show. Entertainment begins at 6:30 p.m., with fireworks beginning at 9:40 p.m.

The festivities also begin early downtown with the annual **WSB Salute 2 America Parade** at 1 p.m. Beginning in Centennial Olympic Park and traveling down Peachtree Street, attendees can watch floats, giant helium-filled balloons, celebrities and marching bands. Afterwards, head to Centennial Olympic Park for a full day of patriotic entertainment at the **Fourth of July Celebration**. The festivities start with music at noon along with various fountain shows throughout the day and will conclude with a spectacular fireworks show at 9:30 p.m.

Stone Mountain Park celebrates independence with its “**Fantastic Fourth Celebration**,” an exciting three-day 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. Afterwards, pack a picnic and relax on the lawn while the mountain is transformed into a natural amphitheater for the Lasershow Spectacular. Beginning at 9:30 p.m., the show features a dazzling display of neon laser lights with characters and stories choreographed to popular music, ending with fireworks and a liquid flame cannon.

Enjoy America’s favorite pastime at **Turner Field**, the home of the Braves, and watch the team take on the Chicago Cubs. After the game stay to watch “Salute to America in the Sky,” a spectacular fireworks show.

Established in 1913, the ACVB is a private, nonprofit organization created exclusively to market metro Atlanta and Georgia as the premier conventions, meetings and leisure destination in the regional, national and international marketplace and to favorably impact the Atlanta economy through conventions and tourism.

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