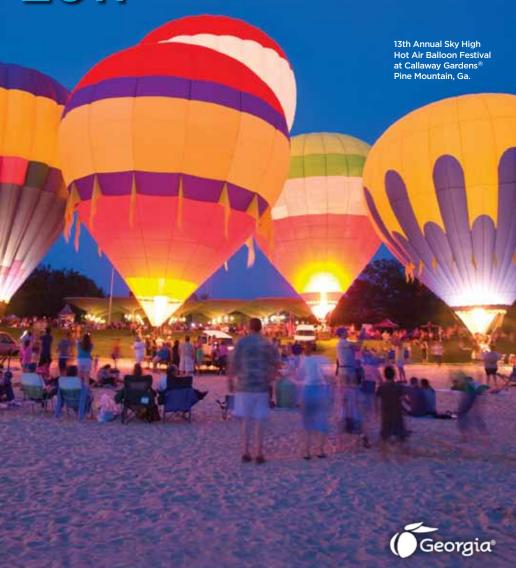


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Augusta Common

**OCTOBER** 

Summerville Tour of Homes

Historic Summerville Neighborhood

DECEMBER

Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols

Sacred Heart Cultural Center

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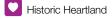


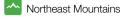


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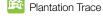






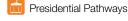
















Labor Day Weekend September 3rd - 4th - 5th 2011 9:00 a.m.- 5:00 p.m.

4766 West Highway 34 Newnan, Georgia 30263 770-253-2011 GPS Coordinates N33 20.332 W84 58.778



Festival of Fine Arts & Crafts 3 Day Concert for Charity Festival of Food

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### May



# **Atlanta Metro**

May 7, 2011

### 5th Annual Derby Day

"Horse voting" booths, a silent auction, authentic Derbystyle food and beverages, entertainment and large-screen TVs to view "The Most Exciting Two Minutes in Sports." Johns Creek, 30097

choa.org/derbyday | 404-785-7337

May 7, 2011

### Kids Fishing Festival

Hook a catfish or a bluegill and learn about aquatic habitats and fish identifications. Also available: archery range, fly-fishing and wildlife encounters.

Panola Mountain State Park, Stockbridge, 30281 gastateparks.org/panolamountain | 770-389-7801

May 7, 2011

### Taste of East Point and the Tri-Cities Area

The best food, art and music from the Tri-Cities Area: East Point, Hapeville and College Park. 1612 W. Cleveland Ave., East Point, 30344 downtowneastpoint.com

May 7-8, 2011

### **Barefoot in the Park Fine Arts Festival**

Juried fine arts festival featuring live entertainment, free children's art park, children's authors, food and face painting. 3167 Main St., Duluth, 30096

May 7-8, 2011

## Colors Festival of Arts

Fine arts and crafts show. 617 Atlanta St., Roswell, 30075 visitroswellga.com/festivals.html 800-776-7935

barefootinthepark.org | 678-677-0172

May 7-8, 2011

### **Dunwoody Art Festival**

180 national and regional artisans, live entertainment, children's creative fun at the Kids' Zone and tasty eats. Mt. Vernon/Dunwoody Village Pkwy., Dunwoody, 30338 splashfestivals.com

May 7-8, 2011

### **MAY-RETTA Daze Arts and Crafts Festival**

The festival features a wide variety of arts and crafts items as well as children's activities.
Glover Park–Marietta Sq., Marietta, 30060 mariettaga.gov 1770-794-5530

# May 7-8, 2011 Snellville Days

Parade on Saturday followed by two-day festival featuring arts, crafts, food, Skin & Bones Comedy Circus and free concert by Restless Heart at T.W. Briscoe Park. Lenora Church Rd., Snellville, 30078 snellville, orq

May 8, 2011

### USA CRITS Southeast Speed Week Finals and 4th Annual Global Imports Sandy Springs Cycling Challenge

A series of seven races over 10 days, along with an amateur ride, starting in Athens, traveling from city to city and ending in Sandy Springs. Sandy Springs Cir., Sandy Springs, 30328 sandyspringschallenge.org I 770-206-1447

May 12, 2011

### Taste of Alpharetta

Sample food from more than 60 restaurants and enjoy entertainment, activities and culinary demonstrations. Wills Park, Alpharetta, 30009 awesomealpharetta.com | 678-297-6078

May 14, 2011

### **Buford Spring Jazz & Art Festival**

Live music, artists market and jazz performers. Historic Downtown Buford visitbuford.com

May 14, 2011

### **Spring Garden Gate Tour**

Tour five master gardens and a nursery and enjoy lunch in the shade garden at Andy's Nursery.

Newnan, 30263

ugaextension.com/coweta

May 14, 2011

### Taste of Douglasville

Spend Saturday tasting food from local restaurants while enjoying entertainment, outdoor arts exhibition and free activities for children and adults. 6695 Church St., Douglasville, 30134 artsdouglas.org I 770-949-2787

May 14-15, 2011

### Fayetteville's 43rd Old Courthouse Art Show

Original artwork of various media from local and regional artists on the historic courthouse lawn.

200 Courthouse Sq., Fayetteville, 30214 fayetteville-ga.gov | 770-461-4978

May 14-15, 2011

# Fayetteville's Taste of Living History Exhibit

Themed living history exhibit. Holliday Dorsey Fife Museum 140 Lanier Ave., Fayetteville, 30214 hdfhouse.com | 770-716-5332

May 15, 2011

### Fayetteville's 10th Annual Taste of Fayette

Sample foods from local and national restaurants. Enjoy live music and a children's activity area. Heritage Park-Gazebo Corner of GA hwys. 85 and 54, Fayetteville, 30214

fayetteville-ga.gov | 770-719-4173

May 21, 2011

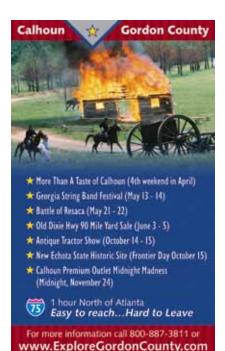
### Geranium Festival

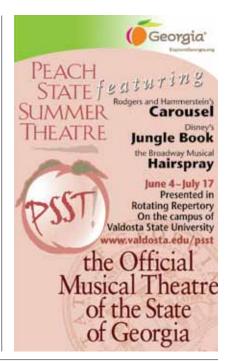
Arts, crafts, music, entertainment, food and community on the Square in McDonough. Downtown McDonough, 30253 geraniumfestival.com i 770-898-9311

May 21, 2011

### **Norcross Classic Car Show**

Model Ts, muscle cars and vintage sports cars. Historic Norcross aplacetoimagine.com | 770-448-2664







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May 27-29, 2011

### **Decatur Arts Festival**

ArtWalk on Friday with more than 28 participating galleries and shops. Arts Festival on Saturday and Sunday with artists market, live music, new dance, literary arts, children's arts festival on Saturday, and fine arts exhibition.

Downtown Decatur, 30031

decaturartsalliance.org | 404-371-9583

May 28-30, 2011

### American Indian Festival

Festival presents educational programs, dancing and storytelling based on Native American culture. 2405 Sugarloaf Pkwy., Lawrenceville, 30045 vitwind.com | 770-791-0066

May 28-August 7, 2011

### Stone Mountain Park's Summer at the Rock!

The summer sizzles as Summer at the Rock gets under way with shows and attractions such as Sky Hike, the all-new 4-D adventure film, percussion group Ritmo Blu, storytelling and more.

Crossroads®, Stone Mountain, 30086 stonemountainpark.com | 770-498-5690

May 30, 2011

### **Annual Memorial Day Celebration**

Special guest speaker, food and live entertainment. Gathering Place & City Hall Plaza Peachtree City, 30269 peachtree-city.org | 770-631-2542

May 30, 2011

### Memorial Day Celebration, Street Festival & Fireworks

Features a parade, fireworks, music and Civil War and

Revolutionary War reenactors. Downtown Senoia, 30276 enjoysenoia.com | 770-599-8240

May 30, 2011

### **Roswell Memorial Day Ceremony**

Georgia's largest. Military ceremony followed by live music and a picnic.

38 Hill St., Roswell, 30075

roswellmemorialday.com | 800-776-7935



### May 20-21, 2011 **Turtle Crawl & Nest Fest**

USA Triathlon-sanctioned triathlon, 5K fun run and walk. Proceeds benefit the Georgia Sea Turtle Center. Georgia Sea Turtle Center, Jekyll Island, 31527 jekyllisland.com | 877-4JEKYLL

May 28, 2011

### Memorial Day Weekend at Fort McAllister

Learn about the common Confederate soldier; see musket and cannon firing demonstrations. 3894 Ft. McAllister Rd., Richmond Hill, 31324 georgiastateparks.org | 912-727-2339

May 28-29, 2011

### Memorial Day Weekend at Skidaway

Spend the day with the family, compete in a horseshoe tournament, go on hayrides and enjoy a campfire and other games.

52 Diamond Cswy., Savannah, 31411 georgiastateparks.org | 800-864-7275



May 6-7, 2011

### Historic Augusta Downtown Loft Tour

Two-day tour of architecture and interiors of renovated and in-progress spaces of various sizes and styles.

Augusta, 30901

historicaugusta.org | 706-724-0436

May 7, 2011

### **Mayfest Arts and Crafts Festival**

Arts and crafts vendors, rides, activities for kids, a hamburger cook-off and live entertainment. 4683 Augusta Hwy., Dearing, 30824 dearingmayfest.org | 706-597-1000

May 13-14, 2011

### 6th Annual Boss Hog Cook-Off

Arts, crafts, music and activities; food and fun for the whole family Shwank Way, Hwy. 56, Waynesboro, 30830

bosshogcookoff.com | 706-554-8100

May 21, 2011

### **Blind Willie McTell Blues Festival**

Blues music weekend held annually in celebration of country blues guitarist Blind Willie McTell. Stagecoach Rd., Thomson, 30824 blindwillie.com | 706-597-1000

May 21, 2011

### Washpot Cookout Festival

Foods cooked over open flames and in authentic cast-iron pots; arts and crafts and entertainment. Downtown Garfield, 30425 emanuelchamber.org | 478-763-2211



# **Historic Heartland**

May 4-5, 2011

# **Spring Tour of Homes**

Tour of homes and gardens. Wine and cheese receptions from 4-6 p.m.

434 S. Main St., Madison, 30650 mmcc-arts.org | 706-342-4743

May 5, 2011

### **Battle of Byron Festival**

A festival of challenges such as a pie-eating contest, mud volleyball and tug-of-war. Downtown Byron, 31008 tourbyron.com, byronga.com | 478-956-2409

May 7, 2011

### **Derby Day**

An Atlanta tradition since 1981. Each year, the event is held on the first Saturday in May to coincide with the Kentucky Derby.

1996 Centennial Olympic Pkwy., Conyers, 30013 derbyday.com | 800-266-9377

May 7, 2011

### **Eatonton Street Painting Festival**

Artists transform the downtown courthouse square into an open-air, walk-through museum. Also a silent auction, an antique car show, arts and crafts. 100 Jefferson Ave., Eatonton, 31024 eatontonstreetpaintingfestival.com | 706-818-0648





May 7, 2011

### Tour d'Oconee

Hundreds of cyclists descend upon Watkinsville to try out their whips on the Lion of Oconee. 62-mile course with 2,850 feet of climbs. Downtown Watkinsville, 30677

oconeecycling.org | 706-769-5197

May 14-15, 2011

### 33rd Annual Athens Human Rights Festival

Political activists, musicians and artists in a call for action on human rights issues, as well as a celebration of advances of human rights. College Ave., Downtown Athens, 30601 athenshumanrightsfest.org | 770-725-2652

May 19-20, 2011

### Annual Georgia JugFest

The combined Georgia JugFest and Old Knoxville Days festivals celebrate the Middle Georgia folk pottery tradition. Courthouse Sq., Knoxville, 31050 gajugfest.com | 478-836-3825

May 21, 2011

### Tour de Moose

At-your-leisure annual bicycle tour begins at the Museum of Aviation and follows through Robins Air Force Base. Includes kids activities and more. 200 Hwy. 247, Warner Robins, 31088 museumofaviation.org | 478-926-6870

May 27-30, 2011

### Dream 5000, The Ultimate Bulls and Barrel Event

Bring the whole family out to this weekend of fun and excitement.

1996 Centennial Olympic Pkwy., Conyers, 30013 thedream5000.com | 800-266-9377



May 7, 2011

### Sweet Onion Century

A bicycle ride traveling through five counties with nine rest stops along the way. Sweet Onion Country, Vidalia, 30474 letsride.net | 912-538-9938

May 14, 2011

### Glennville Sweet Onion Festival

Parade, fun walk and run, arts and crafts exhibitors, food, entertainment, turtle races, kids activities and a contemporary Christian concert. State Farmers Market US Hwy. 301 S, Glennville, 30427 glennvillechamber.com | 912-654-2515

May 14, 2011

### **Kids Fishing Derby**

Kids 15 and younger can win prizes in big fish, most fish and casting skill competitions at General Coffee Park. Then eniov the park's farm exhibits, trails and picnic areas. 46 John Coffee Rd., Nicholls, 31554 georgiastateparks.org | 912-384-7082



May 1-September 4, 2011

# Mort Künstler's Civil War Act: For Us the Living

More than 40 paintings depicting the greatest conflict in our nation's history by one of the greatest historical artists of all time at the Booth Western Art Museum. 501 Museum Dr., Cartersville, 30121 boothmuseum.org | 770-387-1300

May 6-8, 2011

### Southern Blooms Festival

Festival fresh with garden tours, keynote speaker sessions, workshops and outdoor exhibits. 1400 Patten Rd., Lookout Mountain, 30750 seerockcity.com/southernblooms | 706-820-2531

May 6-June 30, 2011

### Voices from the Trail

During 1838-1839, most Cherokee were removed from the area during what is now called The Trail of Tears. Hear the words that echo across time in this exhibit. Chieftans Museum, Rome, 30161 chieftainsmuseum.org | 800-444-1834

May 7, 2011

### **Down Home Days Festival**

Street festival, car show, kids activities, parade, pancake breakfast and musical entertainment. Downtown Chickamauga, 30707 706-375-7702

May 7, 2011

### Mayfest /Market Square

Carrollton's largest arts and crafts festival in the heart of Downtown.

Downtown Carrollton, 30117 visitcarrollton.com | 770-832-6901

May 7-8, 2011

### Cherokee Indian Festival and Mother's Day Pow Wow

Native American dance competitions, arts and crafts, cuisine, storytelling, pony rides, kids activities and more. Canton, 30114 rthunder.com

May 12-15, 2011

### **US 11 Antique Alley**

Antiques and yard sales along Hwy. 11; stretches from Bristol, Va., to Meridian, Miss. US Hwy. 11, Trenton, 30752 us11antiquealley.com | 706-657-4488

May 13-14, 2011

### Roman Roast on the River

Enjoy food and family fun at this barbecue competition along the Oostanaula River. Ridge Ferry Park, Rome, 30161 rfpra.com/romanroastontheriver.html

May 13-14, 2011

### Southeast Garden Railroad Show

G-scale model train show; the 2011 show will also play host to O-scale trains and vendors. Northwest Georgia Trade Center 2211 Dug Gap Battle Rd., Dalton, 30720 daltontradecenter.com | 706-272-7676





May 13-15, 2011

### Northwest Georgia Hot Air Balloon Festival

Hot-air balloons, crafts, inflatables, food and entertainment. Tillotson Field, Hwy. 48, Menlo, 30731 nwgeorgiaballoonfestival.homestead.com/georgiaballoon.html 706-857-4033

May 14, 2011

### Spring Fair on the Square

Arts and crafts, food and live entertainment for all ages. Downtown Buchanan, 30113 visitharalson.com | 770-646-8978

May 16-21, 2011

### "State of Dade" Heritage Festival

Live entertainment for the whole family. Jenkins Park, Trenton, 30752 dadechamber.com | 706-657-4488, 706-657-4167

May 20-22, 2011

### **Battle of Resaca Civil War Reenactment**

Living history and battle reenactment. Hwy. 41, Resaca, 30735 georgiadivision.org

May 21-22, 2011

### Canton Festival of the Arts

A two-day outdoor festival of fine arts and crafts and the art of living well, set in historic Brown Park. Canton, 30114

cherokeearts.org | 770-704-6244

May 27-28, 2011

### 1890s Day Jamboree

Parade, car show, beauty pageant, music, food, crafts, and fiddling contest.

Nashville St., Downtown Ringgold, 30736 cityofringgold.com | 706-935-3061

May 28-29, 2011

### 35th Annual Arts in the Park Festival

Juried fine art and handmade crafts, artists demonstrations, Southern Appalachian Artist Guild Exhibit, children's area and great food.

420 W. Main St., Blue Ridge, 30513 blueridgearts.net | 706-632-2144



# **Northeast Mountains**

### Dirty Spokes Mountain Bike Race at Fort Yargo

Action-packed 6-hour and 12-hour mountain races along mountain bike trails.

210 S. Broad St., Winder, 30680

georgiastateparks.org/fortyargo | 770-867-3489

May 7-8, 2011

### **Dawsonville Spring Fling Festival**

Bike ride; 5K, 10K and fun runs; classic car show; dog and cat activities; kids activities; entertainment; and Heart in Hand quilt show. Downtown Dawsonville, 30534 dawsonarts.org | 706-216-2787

May 7-8, 2011

### VineDog Weekend at Three Sisters Vineyards

It's Yappy Hour during the second annual VineDog Weekend. 439 Vineyard Way, Dahlonega, 30533 threesistersvineyards.com | 706-865-9463 May 13-15, 2011

### Summit Racing Equipment NHRA Southern Nationals

Racing at its finest. Atlanta Dragway 500 E. Ridgeway Rd., Commerce, 30529 atlantadragway.com 706-335-2301, 800-884-NHRA (6472)

May 14, 2011

### **Tall Feather Festival**

Farm tours, live music, food, games, crafters and animal encounters. 3571 Bowman Hwy. NW, Royston, 30662 fancyfeatherfarms.com | 706-246-0214

May 14, 2011

### White County Cork & Keg Beer and Wine Festival

Sample award-winning craft brews, local wines, great food and enticing music by local artists. 1074 Edelweiss Strasse, Helen, 30545 snca.org I 706-878-1908

May 20-21, 2011

### Lakemont Art Walk and Antique Show

Stroll down the historic district and enjoy artists, potters and antiques dealers while you step back in time. Lakemont, 30552

historiclakemontvillage.com | 706-782-8384, 706-212-2889

May 21, 2011

### **Brenau Barbecue Championship**

Plenty of world-class barbecue, beverages and activities for children.

500 Washington St. SE, Gainesville, 30501 brenau.edu/bbg | 770-534-6161

May 21, 2011

# Lily Shoal Float

This once-a-year float down the Broad River affords attendees the ability to see the beautiful and rare Shoal Lily. 203 Elbert St., Elberton, 30635 706-213-3100

May 21, 2011

### **Mountain Laurel Festival**

Parade, antique auto show, arts and crafts, entertainment, sketching, dancing and food. Downtown Clarkesville, 30523 clarkesvillega.com | 706-778-4654

May 21, 2011

### Taste of Sautee

Nestled in the Sautee Nacoochee Valley on Hwy. 17 at the new Sautee Village shopping area. 2454-B Hwy. 17, Sautee, 30571 yonahmountainvineyards.com | 706-878-5522

May 21-22, 2011

### **Blairsville Spring Arts and Crafts Festival**

Local artists and craftsmen. Downtown Blairsville, 30512

downtownblairsville.com | 877-745-5789

May 21-22, 2011

### Mountain Flower Fine Art Festival

Features juried original fine art and crafts of regional artists and celebrates area mountain wildflowers. Downtown Dahlonega, 30533 dahlonegaarts.org | 706-892-9741





May 27-29, 2011

### **Memorial Day Weekend**

The Lodge at Copperhead celebrates with a weekend filled with special events to honor those who have served our country.

171 Copperhead Pkwy., Blairsville, 30512 thelodgeatcopperhead.com I 706-835-7433

May 27-30, 2011

### Memorial Day Blast at Unicoi

Relay races, field day activities, campfire, music concert and hoedown

1788 GA Hwy. 356, Helen, 30545 georgiastateparks.org | 706-878-2201

May 28, 2011

### A Day at Fort Hollingsworth

Enjoy a day of music, storytelling, vintage dance, Civil War reenactment, antique car show, art show and plenty of food, including barbecue and fried pies. 2307 Wynn Lake Rd., Alto, 30510 forthollingsworth-whitehouse.com | 706-244-1239

May 28, 2011

### Cars & Guitars, Under the Stars

Classic car show, battle of the bands and children's activity area.

Downtown Hartwell, 30643 hart-chamber.org | 706-376-8590

May 28, 2011

### Horsin' Around BBQ Showdown & Festival

Kids Fun Zone, live music, pony rides and, new this year, the Winged Ambassadors Bird of Prey show and exhibit. 6321 US Hwy. 76 W, Young Harris, 30582 brasstownvalley.com I 706-379-9900

May 28, 2011

### Spring Arts & Wine Festival at Crane Creek

Local artists, lunch, wine tasting and kiddie craft tent. 916 Crane Creek Rd., Young Harris, 30582 cranecreekvineyards.com | 706-379-1236

May 28-29, 2011

### Challenge of the Centuries Bike Ride

Open to cyclists and skaters. Beginning and ending in Hartwell, you'll enjoy riding loops that traverse rolling backcountry roads.

Hart County Middle School, Hartwell, 30643 challengeofthecenturies.com | 706-376-8590



May 6-11, 2011

### River Town Days at the Earle May Boat Basin

Free concert, The Great River Rummage Sale with booths of craft items, homemade goodies, petting zoo, rock climbing and Duckie Dash for Cash race. Earle May Boat Basin, Bainbridge, 39818 bainbridgegachamber.com | 229-246-4774

May 7, 2011

### Hwy. 82 Spring Clean Yard Sale

Featuring baby items, books, clothing, electronics, furniture, home decor, toys and more. 122 Lumpkin St., Cuthbert, 39840 randolphcountychamber.org | 229-732-2683 May 14, 2011

### 24th Annual Peacock Day

The festival features arts and crafts, live entertainment, food, children's activities, quilts, jewelry and more. Northeast of Thomasville on SR Hwy. 122 Pavo, 31778 peacockday.com

May 14, 2011

### **Echols County Carrot Festival**

Featuring crafts, kids zone, cook-off and parade in the Carrot Capital of the South. Statenville, 31648 echolscountygeorgia.com | 229-559-6538



# **Presidential Pathways**

May 6-7, 2011

### R.U.S.H. Weekend

Christian concerts all weekend, fireworks, rock climbing walls, sporting events and more. The Rock Ranch, The Rock, 30285 therockranch.com | 706-647-6374

May 7-8, 2011

### Cotton Pickin' Fair

A national award-winning festival features a 190-year-old family farmstead, 300 artisans and antiques dealers, Southern foods and regional entertainment. Gay Family Farm, Gay, 30218 cpfair.org | 706-538-6814

May 7-8, 2011

### Shady Days in Gay Arts & Crafts Festival Inc.

Exhibitors continue the spirit of craftsmanship,skill and talent that many area farmers, homemakers and craftsmen began in this town.

18785 Hwy, 85, Gay, 30218 shadydaysingay.com | 706-977-8548

May 20-21, 2011

### Plains Pig Pickin' BBQ Cook-Off

Friday street dance in downtown Plains and barbecue competition, food, arts and crafts on Saturday. Awards presented by President Jimmy Carter at 4 p.m. Plains, 31780

May 27-29, 2011

### 1836 Creek Indian Wars

The Creeks have attacked! Creek and Seminole Indians from all over the Southeast will conduct battle reenactments and authentic Indian encampments at Westville. Historic Westville, Lumpkin, 31815 westville.org | 888-733-1850

May 27-29, 2011

### Masters WaterSki & Wakeboard Tournament

Memorial Day weekend festival with professional skiers from around the world competing in the world's most coveted water-sport titles in a festival with music, food and more. Callaway Gardens, Pine Mountain, 31822 callawaygardens.com | 800-CALLAWAY

May 28-29, 2011

### Emancipation Proclamation Celebration

Events will take place all weekend, with a parade held on Saturday. Lincoln Park, Thomaston, 30286 706-647-5779





May 28-30, 2011

### **Memorial Day Weekend Celebration**

Crafts, games and boat rides. GA Hwy. 39, Omaha, 31821 georgiastateparks.org | 299-838-4706

May 28-30, 2011

### Swim the Warm Spring - Dip into the Past

Swim in the historic pools built by President F.D. Roosevelt as a place for therapy. 401 Little White House Rd. Warm Springs, 31830 georgiastateparks.org | 706-655-5870

June



### **Atlanta Metro**

June 4-5 2011

### Penny McHenry Hydrangea Festival

A festival featuring live entertainment, food and vendors with plants, fine arts, antiques, jewelry and more for sale. 8700 Hospital Dr., Douglasville, 30134 pennymchydrangeafestival.com 770-949-4090

June 11, 2011

### **Legendary Tales**

Explore Gone with the Wind's literary setting as six costumed storytellers parallel Jonesboro's true history with the characters and stories found in Gone with the Wind.
Road to Tara Museum

104 N. Main St., Jonesboro, 30236

visitscarlett.com

June 15-18, 2011

### Atlanta Fest at Stone Mountain

Largest Christian music festival. Special Events Meadow, Stone Mountain, 30086 stonemountainpark.com | 770-498-5690

June 17, 2011

### **Decatur Beach Party**

Sixty tons of sand turn downtown Decatur into a beach. Children's boardwalk games, Dancing on the Plaza, wading pools in the sand and more.

Decatur, 30031

decaturdba.com | 404-371-8262

June 18, 2011

### Grill'n on the Green

A grilling competition, complete with live band, beer and games on the Towne Center Green.

Snellville, 30078

snellvillepride.com | 706-202-0713

June 19, 2011

### Grillin' in the Village BBQ Festival

Sanctioned and backyard barbecue. Stone Mountain, 30083 stonemountainvillage.com | 770-498-7334 June 24–25, 2011

### 17th Annual Thomas A. Dorsey Festival

Jazz, gospel, blues and barbecue. The Mill in Historic Downtown Villa Rica Villa Rica, 30180 villaricatourism.com | 678-840-1212



June 5 2011

### Savannah Asian Festival

One of Georgia's largest Asian celebrations, featuring stage performances, martial arts demonstrations, authentic cuisine, cultural displays, and arts and crafts. Savannah Civic Center, Savannah, 31401 savannahga.gov/arts



# **Classic South**

June 3-4, 2011

### Pro Rodeo at The Old Frontier

Cowboys and cowgirls compete in eight events: saddle bronc riding, bareback riding, calf roping, steer wrestling, bull riding, barrel racing, team roping, breakaway roping. 1965 Old Milledgeville Rd., Thomson, 30824 theoldfrontier.com | 706-597-1000

June 4, 2011

### 7th Annual Art on Main

### Sponsored by Hometown Warrenton Inc.

Fine arts sale and jewelry competition. 521 Main St., Warrenton, 30828 warrencountyga.com I 706-465-9604

June 4, 2011

### **Canoochee Daylily Festival**

Acres and acres of daylily gardens, arts and crafts, food and entertainment.
Swainsboro, 30401
emanuelchamber.org | 478-237-5219



# **Historic Heartland**

June 3-4, 2011

# 8th Annual Daylily Festival

Arts and crafts, teddy-bear walk, chain-saw demonstrations, horseshoe tournaments; children's area, door prizes, and cloggers.

273 Railroad St., Downtown Gray, 31031 graystationbht.com | 478-986-5199

June 4, 2011

### 52nd Annual Dairy Festival

Road race and dairy festival featuring entertainment and Mayfield ice cream. 305 N. Madison Ave., Eatonton, 31024 eatonton.com I 706-485-7701

June 8-12, 2011

### Shake Fest - 3rd Annual Shakespeare on the Lawn

Rose of Athens Theatre and Ashford Manor present performances of *As You Like It;* festivities include cultural, artistic and creative dance workshops.

5 Harden Hill Rd. Watkinsville, 30677.

5 Harden Hill Rd., Watkinsville, 30677 roseofathens.org | 706-340-9181





June 11, 2011

### **Atlanta Muddy Buddy Run and Ride Series**

Soft adventure race in which teams of two complete a sixmile course switching between mountain biking and running. 1996 Centennial Olympic Pkwy., Conyers, 30013 georgiahorsepark.com 1 770-860-4190

June 15-19 and 22-26, 2011

### Atlanta Summer Classic I & II

The best hunter-jumper competitions in the Southern United States. 1996 Centennial Olympic Pkwy., Conyers, 30013 classiccompany.com | 800-266-9377

June 22-26, 2011

### 15th Annual AthFest Music and Arts Festival

Outdoor event featuring live music, arts and kids activities; fun for the whole family.

Downtown Athens, 30601 athfest com I 706-548-1973

June 25, 2011

### Athens Sculpture Festival

Second annual juried exhibition and festival featuring original sculpture in a variety of media. 300 N. Thomas St., Downtown Athens, 30601 athenssculpturefestival.com | 706-357-4417



# **Magnolia Midlands**

June 3-4, 2011

### Georgia Blueberry Festival

Celebrating Georgia's blueberry capital, the annual blueberry festival is a delicious reason to be blue. Alma, 31510 georgiablueberryfestival.com | 912-632-5859

June 4, 2011

### Altamaha River Rat Run

Adventure on the Mighty Altamaha River; River Rat Run group canoe paddle in Appling County. Baxley, 31513 baxley.org | 912-367-7731

June 21, 2011

### Beach Bash

Sand, waterslides, entertainment, games and more in downtown Douglas. Free admission. 224 E. Bryan St., Douglas, 31533



# **Historic High Country**

June 3-4, 2011

# 8th Annual Georgia Barbecue Classic in Cartersville

cityofdouglas.org | 912-384-5161

The nation's most celebrated professional teams and backyard grillers compete in this Kansas City Barbecue Society-sanctioned State Championship of BBQ.

1 Friendship Plaza, Cartersville, 30120 georgiabarbecueclassic.com | 800-733-2280

June 3-5, 2011

### Dixie Highway 90-Mile Yard Sale

Multicounty yard sale and events along historic Dixie Highway route in northwest Georgia. dixiehighway.org | 877-413-1187

June 11-12, 2011

### **Cave Spring Arts Festival**

The 36th annual event in Rolater Park downtown features juried paintings, sculpture, pottery, antique car show and more.

Rome Rd., Cave Spring, 30125 cityofcavespring.com | 800-444-1834

June 18, 2011

### Rome River Jam

One of North Georgia's biggest music events features Darius Rucker, Rhett Atkins, David Nail and other local favorites. Ridge Ferry Park, Rome, 30161 romeriveriam.com



# **Northeast Mountains**

June 2, 2011

### Alto Spring Fling Parade & Festival

Parade, entertainment, BBQ Wing Fling contest, children's activities, tractor and antique car competitions, crafts and more. Downtown Alto, 30519 708-778-8035

June 3-5, 2011

# Buzz in the Blue Ridge Chainsaw Carving Extravaganza

Daily timed "quick carves" with auction to follow, Peoples' Choice Awards and Juried Masterpiece sculptures. 7025 S. Main St., Helen, 30545 georgiachainsawartist.com/buzzintheblueridge.html 706-878-9463

June 3-5, 2011

### Helen-Atlantic Hot Air Balloon Race

Balloon race begins at 7 a.m. on June 3. Tethered rides and other activities June 4 and 5. Downtown Helen, 30545 helenga.org | 800-858-8027

June 4-5, 2011

### Georgia Fine Wine Festival

A celebration of the great wines of Georgia combined with fantastic food and live entertainment.
BlackStock Vineyards
5400 Towns Creek Rd., Dahlonega, 30533

bsvw.com | 706-219-2789 June 4-5, 11-12, 18-19, 2011

# Georgia Wine Country Festival at Three Sisters Vineyards

Wine tastings, food, folk art, live music and charity auction. 439 Vineyard Way, Dahlonega, 30533 threesistersvineyards.com | 706-865-9463

June 4-5, 2011

### **Outdoor Adventure Weekend**

Kids fishing rodeo called To Tempt a Trout, a celebration of National Trails Day, and conservation-oriented programs. 418 Amicalola Falls State Park Rd. Dawsonville. 30534

georgiastateparks.org | 706-265-1969





June 6-10, 2011

### Family Camp at Unicoi

Fun classes and outdoor workshops for your family. Activities include canoeing, archery, wilderness survival, stream studies and more.

Unicoi State Park & Lodge, 1788 GA Hwy. 356, Helen, 30545 georgiastateparks.org | 706-878-2201

June 10-11, 2011

### Flower Festival at St. James Episcopal Church

Flower arrangements and arranging demonstrations, tours of the church grounds, collection of vestments and hangings, collection of hooked rugs.

St. James Episcopal Church 260 Warwoman Rd., Clayton, 30525 706-782-6179

June 10-12 2011

### Fall Northeast Georgia Arts Tour

Meet artists demonstrating their talents and techniques at multiple venues.

Georgia Heritage Center for the Arts 11785 Hwy. 441 N, Tallulah Falls, 30573 artstour.org | 706-754-5989

June 11, 2011

### Mountain on My Mind Festival

A festival made up of attractions of the Northeast Georgia Mountains with food, music and kids activities. 292 Hwv. 400 N. Dawsonville, 30534 dawson.org/index.php/georgia-mountains-on-my-mind

706-265-6278

### June 11, 2011 **Twelve Rivers Art Festival**

Juried art show limited to 100 top artists with good food, music and excellent arts and crafts. 283 GA Hwy. 255 N, Sautee, 30571 snca.org | 706-878-3300

June 11-12, 2011

### **Blairsville Scottish Festival & Highland Games**

Genealogy tent, Scottish vendors, pipe and drum bands, athletic games, children's games and activities, border collie demonstrations, Scottish harp and fiddle workshops, Scottish music, dancing and food. Meeks Park, Blairsville, 30512

blairsvillescottishfestival.org | 877-745-5789

June 24-25, 2011

### **Mountain Top Rodeo**

World-class competitive rodeo events and midway with exhibits and vendors. R-Ranch in the Mountains

65 R-Ranch Rd., Dahlonega, 30533 rranchga.com | 706-864-6444

June 25, 2011

### City Lights Downtown Festival

Downtown farmers market, 5K road race, arts and crafts booths, car show, kids activities, music and fireworks. Spencer Park, Downtown Commerce, 30529 commercega.org | 706-335-2954

June 25-26, 2011

### Mountain Fling

Arts and crafts will be located both indoors and outdoors. North Georgia Technical College, Blairsville, 30512

mtnregartscraftsguild.org | 706-896-0932

June 28, 2011

### Folk Potter's Festival

Purchase pottery directly from the attending folk potters; a few older collectible pieces of pottery will be on sale

Banks County Middle School Gym 712 Thompson St., Homer, 30547 northgafolkpottersfestival.com | 706-677-1528



June 3-4, 2011

### Adelily Festival

The city of daylilies celebrates its favorite flower. 100 S. Hutchinson Ave., Adel, 31620 229-896-2281

June 4-July 17, 2011

### **Peach State Summer Theatre** (Official Musical Theatre of Georgia)

Carousel, Disney's The Jungle Book and Hairspray. Peach State Summer Theatre 1500 N. Patterson St., Valdosta, 31698 valdosta.edu/psst 229-259-7770, 229-333-5828



June 1-30, 2011

### Watermelon Festival

Monthlong hometown fun including dances, road races, parades and more. Cordele, 31010 cordelecrispga.com | 229-273-1668

June 3-4 2011

### **Bikers on Main**

Draws motorcycle enthusiasts and families who enjoy a poker run, live bands, bike show, exotic car show and kids activities. Downtown LaGrange, 30240 scrc109.com

June 3-4 2011

### Cool History!

Re-creates the events surrounding the battle for and capture of the USS Water Witch. National Civil War Naval Museum at Port Columbus 1000 Victory Dr., Columbus, 31901 civilwarnavalmuseum.com | 706-327-9798

June 4-August 12, 2011

### Florida State University "Flying High" Circus

Daily performances except Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Callaway Gardens, Pine Mountain, 31822 callawaygardens.com | 800-CALLAWAY

June 4-August 12, 2011

# Summer Beach Fun at Callaway Gardens

Family members of all ages will be entertained with swimming in Robin Lake, shuffleboard, new Aqua Island, laser tag, blaster boats, events and more. Callaway Gardens, Pine Mountain, 31822 callawaygardens.com | 800-CALLAWAY





June 10-13, 2011

### LaGrange Hydrangea Festival

Includes fine arts and crafts, wine-tasting party. Picnic with the Pops, garden tours, flower show. Downtown LaGrange, 30240 lagrangechamber.com | 706-884-8671

June 21-25, 2011

### **Sweet Corn Festival**

Celebrate the sweet corn harvest on this 1,250-acre farm and enjoy activities such as locomotive train rides, pony rides, zip lines, paddle boats and more. The Rock Ranch, The Rock, 30285

therockranch.com | 706-647-6374

June 25, 2011

### Celebrate America

Family fun all day long, followed by a spectacular fireworks display. The Rock Banch, The Rock, 30285

therockranch.com | 706-647-6374

# July



Most communities hold activities celebrating Independence Day/July 4. Please visit ExploreGeorgia.org for events and dates.



# **Atlanta Metro**

July 7-17, 2011

### National Black Arts Festival

Experience the dance, music, film, theater, visual and literary arts of Africa and the African Diaspora. Centennial Olympic Park and various locations Atlanta, 30303 nbaf.org

July 9, 2011

### **Bluesberry Festival**

Live music, blues performers and delicious blueberry treats. Historic Norcross

aplacetoimagine.com

July 10, 2011

### **Hospitality Highway Century Ride**

Thousands of cyclists ride a shut-down GA 400 to promote "sharing the road.

400century.com | 770-206-1447

July 16-17, 2011

### Flying Colors Butterfly Festival

Native butterflies released; live entertainment, music, arts and crafts at the Chattahoochee Nature Center. 9135 Willeo Rd., Roswell, 30075 chattnaturecenter.org | 770-992-2055

July 23-August 24, 2011

### 18th Annual Asian Cultural Experience

A celebration of Asian cultures, featuring music, dance, arts, crafts, cuisines, martial arts and fashion shows. 6400 Sugarloaf Pkwy., Duluth, 30097 asianculturalexperienceinga.com | 800-850-3483

July 29-30, 2011

### Summer Sampler & Wine Tour

Wine tasting at historic sites throughout downtown, featuring wines from Georgia vineyards. 6695 Church St., Douglasville, 30134 downtowndouglasville.org | 770-947-5920

July 30, 2011

### 4th Annual Chattahoochee River Summer Splash

Six-mile float down the Chattahoochee River with festivities and entertainment to follow at Powers Island. Chattahoochee River National Recreation Area 1978 Island Ford Pkwy., Sandy Springs, 30350 866-511-7742



### Coast

July 1-19, 2011

### Summer Steam Days at the Roundhouse

Enjoy a ride on a passenger car powered by a steam engine and learn about an important piece of Savannah's history. Tuesdays-Sundays only. 301 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., Savannah, 31401 chsgeorgia.org | 912-651-6840



# Classic South

July 15-17, 2011

### **Augusta Southern National Dragboat Races**

Hear the Roar of the River at the Augusta Southern National Dragboat Races on the Savannah River. Riverfront Dr. (Riverfront Marina), Augusta, 30901 augustasouthernnationals.org | 800-726-0243



# **Historic Heartland**

July 2-4, 2011

### Sunflower Farm Festival

Arts and crafts, Georgia vendors, live entertainment and acres of cut-your-own sunflowers. 1380 Durden Rd., Rutledge, 30663 sunflowerfarmfestival.com | 800-709-7406

July 29-30, 2011

# **Bragg Jam Festival**

Macon's ultimate summer music festival with more than 40 bands on multiple stages; Arts & Kids hosts a free daytime event. Downtown Macon, 31201 braggjam.org



# Magnolia Midlands

July 9, 2011

### Summer Redneck Games

Side-splitting entertainment such as Redneck Idol, Battle of the Bands in Redneck Land and more. 102 Boat Ramp Rd., East Dublin, 31027 summerredneckgames.com







# **Historic High Country**

July 15-16, 2011

### **Homespun Festival**

Arts and crafts, entertainment, parade and fireworks, 5K race; Friday night features Southern gospel music. Seaborn Jones Memorial Park, Rockmart, 30153 polkonpurpose.com | 770-684-8760

July 23, 2011

### **Chief Vann House Days**

History demonstrations such as blacksmithing, quilting and pioneer skills of the 1800s. 82 Hwy. 225 N, Chatsworth, 30705 georgiastateparks.org | 706-695-2598



### **Northeast Mountains**

July 17, 2011

### **Heirloom Tomato Festival**

Features dozens of heirloom tomato varieties for sampling; fine arts and crafts and a live bluegrass band. 1789 Bear Gap Rd., Clarkesville, 30523 glenella.com | 877-456-7539

July 20-30, 2011

### Georgia Mountain Fair

First-class musical performances, carnival rides, unique attractions, history village, food and more. Georgia Mountain Fairgrounds 1311 Music Hall Rd., Hiawassee, 30546 georgiamountainfairgrounds.com | 706-896-4191

July 23-24, 2011

### Butternut Creek Festival

Fine juried arts and crafts, woodwork, oils and watercolors, stained and leaded glass, jewelry, demonstrations, live entertainment and food.

Meeks Park, Blairsville, 30512

butternutcreekfestival.com | 877-745-5789

July 29-30, 2011

### Folk Life Festival at Unicoi

See demonstrations of everyday mountain-living skills, including candle dipping, cider making, folk toys and butter churning.

1788 GA Hwy. 356, Helen, 30545 georgiastateparks.org | 706-878-2201

July 30-31, 2011

### Georgia Green Bean Festival

It's all about the green beans, from contest and workshops to food, games, seminars and fun.
78 Blue Ridge Hwy., Blairsville, 30512 greenbeanfestival.com | 877-745-5789



# **Presidential Pathways**

July 5-30, 2011

### **Fun in the Summer Time**

Play all day for just \$8. Activities include a jumping pillow, cane-pole fishing, paddle boats and more. The Rock Ranch, The Rock, 30285 therockranch.com | 706-647-6374

# August



# Atlanta Metro

August 6, 2011

# 59th Old Soldiers Day Parade and 32nd Annual Road Race

Tribute to veterans, with floats, marching bands, music and clowns. Free hot dogs and soft drinks. Alpharetta City Hall, Alpharetta, 30009 awesomealpharetta.com | 678-297-6078

August 19-21, 2011

### 18th Annual Slotin Folk Fest

World's largest folk art show and sale, hosting 100 galleries and dealers from around the nation. North Atlanta Trade Center 1700 Jeurgens Ct., Norcross, 30093 slotinfolkart.com | 770-532-1115

August 20, 2011

### **BBQ, Blues & Bluegrass Festival**

Enjoy live music, barbecue, and special children's area. Harmony Park-Oakhurst/Decatur, Decatur, 30030 decaturbbqfestival.com | 404-371-8386

August 26-27, 2011

### City of Kennesaw's Pigs to Peaches BBQ Festival

Featuring a Kansas City Barbeque Society-sanctioned barbecue competition. Cash prizes offered in four categories. Adams Park, Kennesaw, 30144

kennesaw.com/pigs-peaches-bbq-festival | 770-422-9714

August 28, 2011

# Peachtree Latino Festival

Hundreds of exhibitions, family activities, sporting events, parades, arts and crafts, ethnic foods and outdoor musical performances.

50 Upper Alabama St., Atlanta, 30303 festivalpeachtreelatino.com | 404-523-2311



August 6-8, 2011

# Georgia's First Fourth

Participate in the debate to declare independence or to remain loyal to the king. See musket firings, the hanging of a tax collector, the forming of the militia and more. 7601 Skidaway Rd., Savannah, 31406 georaiastateparks.org | 912-353-3023

August 11-13, 2011

### **Beach Music Festival and BBQ Bash**

Shag dancing and barbecue cook-off. Jekyll Island Beach, 31527 jekyllisland.com | 877-4JEKYLL



August 6, 2011

### 7th Annual Back Roads & Bikes Charity Ride

Door prizes. Proceeds go to Hometown Warrenton, a nonprofit community organization. 521 Main St., Warrenton, 30828 706-465-2171



### August 20, 2011

### Art in the Alley

Daylong events include musical ensembles, dance troupes and children's' art activities; also features arts and crafts by local visual artists.

Journal St., Thomson, 30824 exploremcduffiecounty.org | 706-597-1000



# **Historic Heartland**

August 27-28, 2011

# **Big Haynes Creek Wildlife Festival**

Animal exhibits, guest speakers, hands-on demonstrations, children's activities, stage performances and arts and crafts.

Georgia International Horse Park 1996 Centennial Olympic Pkwy., Conyers, 30013 georgiahorsepark.com | 770-602-2606



# **Magnolia Midlands**

August 20, 2011

### 22nd Annual Brooklet Peanut Festival

Event features a peanut run, parade, arts and crafts, refreshments, live entertainment and street dance. Downtown Brooklet, 30415 brookletpeanutfestival.com | 912-842-2137

August 26-27, 2011

### **Hunting, Fishing & Outdoors Expo**

Laser shot and fishing simulators, a wild game supper, camping exhibition, archery alley, giveaways and more. 200 S. Madison Ave., Douglas, 31533 cityofdouglas.com | 912-383-0277



# **Historic High Country**

August 4-7, 2011

### 450-Mile, World's Longest Yard Sale

A yard sale that extends through Alabama, Georgia, Tennessee and Kentucky. Lookout Mountain Pkwy., Trenton, 30752 dadechamber.com I 706-657-4488

August 5-6, 2011

### **Bowdon Founders Day**

Arts, crafts, entertainment, race and fun run; bands all day.

Downtown Bowdon, 30108

bowdon.net L770-258-8980



# **Northeast Mountains**

August 5-6, 2011

### **Dillard Bluegrass Festival and BBQ Cook-Off**

Bluegrass music and a barbecue competition. Dillard City Hall, 892 Franklin St., Dillard, 30537 dillardbbq.org | 706-746-5891 August 6-7, 2011

### **Cool History!**

Port Columbus takes a look at naval inventions and technological advances during the Civil War.

National Civil War Naval Museum at Port Columbus
1000 Victory Dr., Columbus, 31901
civilwarnavalmuseum.com | 706-327-9798

August 19-21, 2011

### Northeast Georgia Antique Car Show

In its 34th year and held at the Habersham County Fair Grounds, this event includes flea market sales, a cruise-in on Saturday and judging on Sunday. Hwy. 17, Clarkesville, 30523 706-754-9277

August 20, 2011

### **Tomato Festival at Crane Creek**

Wine tasting, food and live music at this celebration of the "other vine." 916 Crane Creek Rd., Young Harris, 30582 cranecreekvineyards.com | 706-379-1236

August 27, 2011

### GarlicFest at LoganBerry Heritage Farm

Garlic cook-offs, demonstrations, tastings, recipe exchange and more at LoganBerry Heritage Farm. 2660 Adair Mill Rd., Cleveland, 30528 loganberryheritagefarm.com | 706-348-6068



# **Presidential Pathways**

August 6-7, 2011

### Cool History!

Port Columbus takes a look at naval inventions and technological advances during the Civil War.

National Civil War Naval Museum at Port Columbus

1000 Victory Dr., Columbus, 31901

civilwarnavalmuseum.com | 706-327-9798

# September



## **Atlanta Metro**

September 2-4, 2011

### 6th Annual AJC Decatur Book Festival

Festivities include a poetry slam, book signings, author lectures, children's events, live music, cooking demonstrations, barbecue and more.
Old Courthouse Sq., Decatur, 30030

decaturbookfestival.com

September 2-4, 2011

### Atlanta 200, Great Clips 300 and Georgia 500

When the sun goes down, the action heats up at Atlanta Motor Speedway as NASCAR Sprint Cup Series drivers seek to tame Atlanta's quick 1.54-mile surface. 1500 hwys. 19 and 41, Hampton, 30228 atlantamotorspeedway.com | 770-946-4211



### September 3-5, 2011

### 25th Annual Art in the Park

Juried art festival featuring artists from throughout the Southeast.

Downtown Marietta, 30060 mariettasquare.com | 800-835-0445

September 3-5, 2011

### **Annual Powers Festival**

Exhibits by 250 juried artists and craftsmen; demonstrations of plantation skills such as blacksmithing; sorghum syrup mill; and the original Powers' Plantation gristmill. 4766 W. Hwy. 34, Newnan, 30263 powersfestival.com | 770-253-2011

September 3-5, 2011

### Arts on the Creek

Family-friendly juried art festival brings together visual artists, musicians and performers for a two-day celebration. Perimeter Church

9500 Medlock Bridge Rd., Johns Creek, 30097 artsonthecreek.org | 678-405-2000

September 3-5, 2011

## Moss Oak Plantation Country Crafts Festival

Handcrafted arts and crafts treasures, food and music. 1790s plantation home tour. 4766 W. Hwy. 34, Newnan, 30263 explorecoweta.com

September 4-5, 2011

### Love the Lake Festival

Arts and crafts, an enormous children's area, 30 food vendors and live entertainment. Cauble Park at Lake Acworth, Acworth, 30101 acworth.org | 770-974-8813

September 8-11, 2011

# 43rd Annual Yellow Daisy Festival

More than 500 artists and crafters, live entertainment, Children's Corner activities, clogging, crafter demonstrations and food

Special Events Meadow, Stone Mountain, 30086 stonemountainpark.com | 770-498-5690

September 10, 2011

### **Fall Family Festival**

Moonwalks, a giant slide, an obstacle course, carnival games, music, food, arts, crafts and fun. 3150 Old Alabama Rd., Johns Creek, 30022 newtownrec.com

September 10, 2011

### Gold Rush Festival, Parade & 5K Run

5K run, arts and crafts, concert and street dance. Downtown Villa Rica, 30180 770-459-3822

September 10-17, 2011

### **Cobb County Restaurant Week**

Local restaurants celebrate their culinary talents, tasteful cuisine and vibrant atmospheres. cobbcountvrestaurantweek.com

September 11, 2011

### IronKids Alpharetta

Children ages 6-15 compete in age-appropriate distances with an emphasis on fitness, fun and safety. Wills Park, Alpharetta, 30009

awesomealpharetta.com | 678-297-2811

September 17, 2011

### Marietta StreetFest

Antiques dealers, artisans, attractions, the Marietta Square Farmers Market, the Trash or Treasure Show and the popular Hubcaps and History Classic Car Show. 50 N. Park Sq., Marietta, 30060 mariettastreetfest.com | 770-429-1115

September 17, 2011

### Suwanee Day

Annual community celebration including arts and crafts. parade, entertainment and family fun. 330 Town Center Park, Suwanee, 30024 suwaneeday.com | 770-945-8996

September 17, 2011

### Taste of Smyrna

"Festival of Delectable" is back with more than 30 restaurants.

200 Village Green Cir., Smyrna, 30080 smyrnacity.com | 770-434-6600

September 17-18, 2011

### **45th Annual Roswell Arts Festival**

Fine arts and crafts.

617 Atlanta St., Roswell, 30075 roswellartsfestival.com | 800-776-7935

September 17-18, 2011

### **JapanFest**

Come experience Japanese culture with live music, dance performances and food Gwinnett Center 6400 Sugarloaf Pkwy., Duluth, 30097

japanfest.org | 800-224-6422

### September 17-18, 2011 Sandy Springs Festival

Business and civic expo, children's park, car show, Doug Kessler Lightning 10K, heritage crafters, artists market, pet parade and live entertainment. Sandy Springs Cir., Sandy Springs, 30328 sandyspringsfestival.com | 404-851-9111

September 17-18, 2011

### Shakerag Arts and Crafts Festival

Peachtree City's annual arts and crafts festival featuring handcrafted items, kids activities and more. 151 Willow Bend Rd., Peachtree City, 30269 visitpeachtreecity.com | 678-216-0282

September 22-October 1, 2011

### Coweta County Kiwanis Fair

This 10-day county fair is noted as the second-largest fair in the state.

275 Pine Rd., Newnan, 30263 explorecoweta.com | 770-254-2629

September 22-October 2, 2011

### North Georgia State Fair

Live music, free shows and attractions, farm animals, flower shows, blue ribbon competitions, local square dancers, food, games and rides. Jim R. Miller Park, Marietta, 30008 northgeorgiastatefair.com | 770-423-1330, 770-528-8989

September 24, 2011

### Chili Cook-Off

Special Events Meadow, Stone Mountain, 30086 stonemountainpark.com | 770-498-5690



September 24, 2011

### 'Crusin' to the Oldies' Car Show

Car show emceed by "The Car Guys," Scott Sargeant and Charlie Filkins.

Historic Downtown Senoia, 30276 enjoysenoia.com

September 24, 2011

### International Festival and Dragon Boat Races

A combination of international culture, food, dance and dragon boat races.

151 Willow Bend Rd., Peachtree City, 30269 visitpeachtreecity.com | 678-216-0282

September 24-25, 2011

### **Bear Creek Festival**

Antiques dealers, arts and crafts, hayrides, entertainment, kids area and food.

McBrayer City Park, Hampton, 30228 bearcreekfestival.com | 770-946-5490

September 24-25, 2011

### **Duluth Fall Festival**

Arts and crafts, food vendors, parade, 5K road race, free entertainment and children's activities. 3167 Main St., Duluth, 30096 duluthfallfestival.com | 770-476-0240

September 28-October 1, 2011

### **Great Roswell Paint Out & Artists Exhibition**

Artists gather to paint the Chattahoochee River and sites in Roswell's Historic District.

Roswell, 30075

visitroswellga.com | 800-776-7935



September 2-3, 2011

# Savannah Craft Brew Fest

Sample some of the region's most eclectic craft brews and listen to live music.

Downtown Historic District, Savannah, 31402 savannahcraftbrewfest.com | 912-644-6405

September 3, 2011

### Labor Day at Fort McAllister

Civil War cooking and old-fashioned games. 3894 Ft. McAllister Rd., Richmond Hill, 31324 georgiastateparks.org | 912-727-2339

September 3-4, 2011

### **Labor Day Weekend**

Watch a reptile show and awaken your senses with a night hike. Join in a volleyball game, family games, hayrides, a campfire and hoppin' frog hike. 52 Diamond Cswy., Savannah, 31411

52 Diamond Cswy., Savannah, 31411 georgiastateparks.org | 800-864-7275

September 3-5, 2011

### 29th Annual Labor Day Weekend Catfish Festival

Southern fine catfish, live music, parade, arts and crafts, and children's amusement area. Downtown Kingsland, 31548 visitkingsland.com | 912-729-5999

September 4, 2011

### 4th Annual Labor Day Bash-Tybee Island

Enjoy the ocean breezes while live music fills the air from the Tybee Island Pier & Pavilion. Free live music, oceanfront entertainment and fireworks.

802 First St., Tybee Island, 31328 tybeevisit.com | 800-868-2322

September 9-11, 2011

### 37th Annual Bluegrass Music Convention

Bluegrass entertainment for family fun. 401 Twin Oaks Dr., Hoboken, 31542 twinoakspark.com/index\_files/Page336.htm 912-458-2365

September 16-18, 2011

### Jekyll Island Shrimp & Grits: The Wild Georgia Shrimp Festival

Celebration of shrimp and grits featuring a cook-off, shrimp boat tours, cooking demonstrations, book signings, arts and crafts vendors, live entertainment and a kid-friendly fun zone.

Jekyll Island Historic District, 31527

jekyllisland.com/shrimpandgrits | 877-4JEKYLL

September 23-24, 2011

## Gram Parsons Guitar Pull & Tribute Festival

Lots of live music with an assortment of food, beverage, art, jewelry and clothing vendors. 315-A Plant Ave., Waycross, 31501 gramparsonsquitarpull.com | 912-283-3744

September 25, 2011

### Jazz in the Park Concert Series

Open-air jazz concerts. Bring a picnic basket and a blanket or chair. St. Simons Lighthouse Lawn

St. Simons Eighthouse Lawii St. Simons Island, 31522 goldenislesarts.org | 912-262-6934

September 30-October 2, 2011

### 27th Annual Oktoberfest on the River

Live entertainment, headliner and oompah bands, Wachovia KinderVillage, German food, games, fun, regional arts and crafts and fireworks.

Historic River St., Savannah, 31401 riverstreetsavannah.com | 912-234-0295



September 16-18, 2011

# Arts in the Heart of Augusta

Visual performing and literary arts show, ethnic food vendors and entertainment.

Augusta Common, Augusta, 30901 augustaarts.com | 706-826-4702

September 16-November 13, 2011

### Steed's Dairy Maize

Get lost in the corn maze and enjoy farm activities such as a petting zoo, hay rides and more. 4364 Wrightsboro Rd., Grovetown, 30813 steedsdairv.com | 706-855-2948

September 17, 2011

### **Burke County Farm Festival**

This festival features a parade, arts and crafts, children's activities and an amateur barbecue cook-off. Ninth and Liberty sts., Waynesboro, 30830 706-849-6057



### September 17, 2011

### Cruise-In Car Show

Welcome back the Georgia Classic Cruisers for the ageless Rock and Roll Cruise-In. The Palmetto Groove Party Band will perform favorites from the 1950s and '60s. N. Main St., Downtown Greensboro, 30642 706-453-7592

September 24, 2011

### **Emanuel Arts Festival**

This fall festival features something for the whole family: sidewalk chalk painting, music, food and local vendors. Downtown Swainsboro, 30401 emanuelchamber.org | 478-237-2592

September 24, 2011

### **Outdoor Adventure Day**

Learn how to catch a trout, paddle a canoe, and shoot a shotgun. Fly tying and casting, bass fishing basics, trout fishing, archery, air-gun shooting and hunting dem-

111 Railroad St., Thomson, 30824 georgiawildlife.dnr.state.ga.us | 706-597-1000

September 25, 2011

### ESI Ironman 70.3

1.2-mile swim in the Savannah River; one-loop, hilly bike course through Georgia and into South Carolina; run through downtown Augusta.

Augusta, 30901

ironmanaugusta.com | 706-722-8326

September 29-October 8, 2011

### Westobou Festival

This 10-day festival features an array of dance, musical, theatrical and visual arts events. Augusta, 30901 westoboufestival.com | 706-755-2878



### **Historic Heartland**

September 10-11, 2011

### **Native American Festival**

Listen to the old stories, see the colorful Native American regalia and enjoy the music.

1807 Hwy. 42 S, Jackson, 30216 buttscountyhistoricalsociety.org | 770-775-3313

### September 16-17, 2011 **Fall Kitchen Tour**

Eight distinctive kitchens throughout Madison and Morgan counties. Styles of kitchens vary. 115 E. Jefferson St., Madison, 30650 madisonga.org | 800-709-7406

September 16-18, 2011

### **Barnesville Buggy Days**

Arts and crafts; food; concert; street dance; and parade featuring buggies, floats and horses. Downtown Barnesville, 30204 barnesville.org | 770-358-5884

September 18, 2011

### Fiesta Georgia

One-day event kicking off monthlong celebration of Hispanic Heritage month. Authentic Latin American food, live performances, arts, crafts and more. 1996 Centennial Olympic Pkwy., Conyers, 30013 georgiahorsepark.com | 770-860-4190

September 30, 2011

### **Rockdale County Fair**

Thrill to 10 days of rides and games on the midway produced by Jules & Beck Combined Show. 1996 Centennial Olympic Pkwy., Conyers, 30013 georgiahorsepark.com | 770-860-4190



September 9-10, 2011

### 16th Annual Lumber City Farm Day Festival

Arts and crafts, food vendors, live entertainment, fish fry and kids amusement park. 33 Main St., Lumber City, 31549 telfairco.org | 229-868-6365

September 17, 2011

# Vidalia Onion TRI

United Way and Meadows Wellness Center team up to make this the perfect event for beginners or seasoned athletes at Creek Shoals Estate. 935 Harden Chapel Rd., Lyons, 30436 meadowshealthyme.com | 912-277-2141

September 23-24, 2011

### **Possum Hollow Arts and Crafts Fair**

Arts and crafts fair, rides, live entertainment and a classic car show. Dexter, 31019 possumhollowfair.com

September 24, 2011

### Altamaha Fall Canoe Paddle

A 17-mile paddle and cleanup excursion on the Altamaha River. Appling County | Baxley, 31513 baxley.org | 912-367-7731



September 3-4, 2011

### **Running Water Pow Wow**

Native American food, dance and music. Ridge Ferry Park, Riverside Pkwy., Rome, 30161 runningwaterpowwow.com 706-295-5576, 800-444-1834

September 5, 2011

### Labor Day at the Post

Outdoor festival, barbecue, Kid's Play Zone, arts and crafts, live entertainment, parade and military displays. 6th Cavalry Museum, Ft. Oglethorpe, 30742 6thcavalrymuseum.com | 706-861-2860

September 9-11, 2011

### Fall International Plein Air Festival with the **Blue Ridge Mountains Arts Association**

Juried art exhibition. All artwork is completed in the Blue Ridge area over the weekend. 420 W. Main St., Blue Ridge, 30513 blueridgearts.net | 706-632-2144



September 10, 2011

### Waco Festival

Arts and crafts festival, parade, street dance, entertainment and games with prizes for kids.

Downtown Waco, 30182

770-550-4249

September 10-11, 2011

### 32nd Annual Pine Log Arts and Crafts

Quality arts and crafts fair, Tabernacle, barbecue and entertainment.

FairPine Log United Methodist Church Campground Rydal, 30120

notatlanta.org | 770-607-5350, 800-733-2280

September 10-11, 2011

### **Battle of Tunnel Hill Civil War Reenactment**

Living history, reenactment and tours of the historic W&A Railroad tunnel.

Tunnel Hill Heritage Center 215 Clisby Austin Rd., Tunnel Hill, 30755 tunnelhillheritagecenter.com | 706-876-1571

September 11-12, 18-19, 25-26, 2011

### Annual Apple Pickin' Jubilee

(Weekends only.) Apple picking, pig races, wagon rides, cow milking, pony rides, petting farm and playground. 9696 Hwy. 52 E, Ellijay, 30536 hillcrestorchards.net | 706-276-1144

September 17, 2011

### 26th Roopville Homecoming Festival

Parade, ceremonies and entertainment, pony rides, antique car show with prizes and a raffle.

Main St., Roopville, 30170

theroophouse.weebly.com | 770-854-6874

September 17, 2011

### Fall Fair on the Square

Crafts, games, a parade and food. 145 Courthouse Sq., Buchanan, 30113 visitharalson.org | 770-646-3369

September 17, 2011

### War Between the States Day

Remember the last great Southern victory of the Battle of Chickamauga from the War Between the States. 217 Cove Rd., Chickamauga, 30707 gordonleemansion.com | 706-375-4728

September 17-18, 2011

### 36th Annual Arts Festival at Rose Lawn

Arts and crafts and entertainment throughout the festival. 224 W. Cherokee Ave., Cartersville, 30120 notatlanta.org, roselawnmuseum.com 770-387-5162

September 17-18, 2011

### Festival of Fine Arts

Arts festival, entertainment and kids activities. Creative Arts Guild 520 W. Waugh St., Dalton, 30720 creativeartsquild.org | 706-278-0168

September 23-24, 2011

### **Balloons and Tunes Festival**

Hot-air balloon rides and live music. Rock Spring, 30739 balloonsandtunesfestival.com | 706-375-7702 September 23-25, 29, 2011

### **Rock City's Enchanted MAiZE**

A fun-filled, interactive experience for all ages. Submerse yourself deep inside this specially designed cornfield. 271 Old Chattanooga Valley Rd., Flintstone, 30725 enchantedmaze.com I 706-820-2531

September 24-25, 2011

### McIntosh Reserve Fall Festival

Native American—themed festival featuring activities and entertainment at the former plantation of Creek Chief William McIntosh on the Chattahoochee River.

1046 W. McIntosh Cir., Whitesburg, 30185 carrollcountyga.com/pages/mcintosh\_reserve
770-830-5879

September 30-October 2, 2011

# 43rd Annual Great Locomotive Chase Festival in Adairsville

Arts, crafts, entertainment, rides, games and food. 101 Public Sq., Adairsville, 30103 notatlanta.org | 770-773-3451, ext. 26



# **Northeast Mountains**

September 2-4, 2011

### **Banks County Holiday Festival**

Festival complete with arts, crafts and food vendors; live entertainment; street dance; and parade held on Labor Day weekend.

Downtown Homer, 30547 bankscountyga.org I 706-677-3510

September 3, 2011

### CrushFest: A Harvest Celebration

Featuring grape stomping, wagon tours of the vineyard and tours of Georgia's only wine cave. 1717 Hwy. 255, Cleveland, 30528 yonahmountainvineyards.com I 706-878-5522

September 3-4, 2011

### **IPRA World Championship Fall Rodeo**

Seven-event rodeo including bareback and saddle bronc riding, calf roping, team roping, steer wrestling, barrel racing and bull riding at Cumming Fairgrounds.

235 Castleberry Rd., Cumming, 30040 cummingfair.net | 770-781-3491

September 3-4, 2011

### Mountain Heritage Festival

Mountain handcrafts, music and demonstrations of traditional mountain life. Mountain Life Center, Blairsville, 30512 unioncountyhistory.org | 706-745-5493

September 9-17, 2011

### Chattahoochee Mountain Fair

Entertainment, beauty pageant, livestock shows, PCA Rodeo, food and rides. Habersham County Fair Grounds Toccoa Hwy., Clarkesville, 30523 chattahoocheemountainfair.org | 706-768-6890

September 10, 2011

### Arts Fest

A juried art event for showcasing paintings, photography, pottery, sculpture and fine jewelry. 171 Copperhead Pkwy., Blairsville, 30512 thelodgeatcopperhead.com | 706-835-7433



September 10, 2011

### Atlanta Dragon Boat Festival

Spend the day on Lake Lanier watching exciting dragon boats racing.

3015 Clarkes Bridge Rd., Gainesville, 30506 dragonboatatlanta.com I 404-941-1686

September 10, 2011

### Mountain Music and Arts & Craft Festival at Vogel

Appalachian, bluegrass and gospel music; arts and crafts booths; demonstrations on spinning, blacksmithing and bowl carving; food.

7485 Vogel State Park Rd., Blairsville, 30512 georgiastateparks.org | 706-745-2628

September 16-18, 2011

### Blairsville Bluegrass Festival

Workshops, jam sites, music and food vendors. 78 Blue Ridge Hwy., Blairsville, 30512 unioncountyhistory.org | 706-745-5493

September 17, 2011

### Art in the Square

More than 100 artists from Northeast Georgia will be showing their paintings, pottery, jewelry, and other fine arts and crafts on the Square.

artinthesquare.com I 770-886-6126

September 17, 2011

### Fall Fest at BabyLand General Hospital

Games, face painting, slides, rides, music and Cabbage Patch characters at BabyLand General Hospital. 300 NOK Dr., Cleveland, 30528 cabbagepatchkids.com | 706-865-2171

September 17, 2011

### Flowery Branch Car Show and Chili Cook-Off

Classic car and VW show, chili competitions, music, games, food and craft vendors. Downtown Flowery Branch, 30542 flowerybranchga.org/special-events 770-967-2934

September 17, 2011

### Statham Sunflower Festival

Entertainment, arts and crafts, horses, car show, tractor display, 5K run/walk and dance. Downtown Statham, 30666 cityofstatham.com I 770-725-5455

September 22-October 30, 2011

### Oktoberfest

German celebration with live music, food, wine and beer. Helen Festhalle, Helen, 30545 helenchamber.com I 706-878-1908

September 24, 2011

### Agri-Fest Country Market & Pottery Show

Country market with fruits, vegetables, live animals, scarecrow contest, music, food, kids activities, beard contest, bake-off competition and barbecue challenge. 46 S. Main St., Cleveland, 30528 clevelandbetterhometown.org | 706-969-3336

September 24, 2011

### ARTS in hARTwell

Heritage crafts and fine arts festival, including a children's activities area.

Downtown Hartwell Sq., 30643 hartwellmainstreet.com I 706-376-0188 September 24, 2011

### **Experience a Taste of Clarkesville**

Food, beer and wine tasting event featuring Clarkesville's diverse restaurants and live music through downtown. Downtown Clarkesville, 30523 tasteofclarkesville.com I 706-754-2220

September 24, 2011

### **Outdoor Adventure Day at Unicoi**

Learn how to catch a trout, paddle a canoe and shoot a shotgun.

1788 GA Hwy. 356, Helen, 30545 georgiastateparks.org | 706-878-2201

September 24-25, 2011

### Summer's Last Kiss: An Affair with the Arts

Art exhibits, music, dance, theater, poetry, crafts, street dance and food.

Main St., Hiawassee, 30546 mountaintopga.com | 706-896-4966

September 25, 2011

### Six Gap Century and Three Gap Fifty

Bike ride boasting many of the same roads and mountain climbs as the elite Tour de Georgia. Downtown/Lumpkin County, Dahlonega, 30533 cyclenorthgeorgia.com I 706-864-3711

September 30-October 2, 2011

### **Currahee Military Reunion Weekend**

World War II reenactment, Currahee Challenge Road, WWII displays and memorabilia, vintage vehicles and planes, book signings, USO Mobile Canteen and fun and educational events.

Various locations in Stephens County Toccoa, 30577 toccoachamber.com | 706-886-2132



### September 3-4, 2011

### Flatlanders Frolic

Arts and crafts fair.

Threatte Arts & Civic Center, Lakeland, 31635 lakelandlanierchamber.com | 229-482-9755

September 17, 2011

# **Brooks County Skillet Festival**

Features an 8K race and fun run, a cooking competition, a skillet-throwing contest, vendors on the Courthouse Square and an evening with local musicians. 100 W. Screven St., Quitman, 31643 skilletfestival.com | 229-305-7822

September 17, 2011

### Egg Festival

An egg-citing event with activities including a parade, arts and crafts vendors, food vendors and events for the kids. Sumner, 31789 229-776-7384

September 23-25, 2011

### La Fiesta del Pueblo

Honor the heritage of the Latin American community with live music, dancing and authentic delicacies. Fulwood Park, Tifton, 31793 tiftontourism.com | 229-391-4820







# **Presidential Pathways**

September 1-30, 2011

### **Blue Morpho Butterfly Month**

Enter the Cecil B. Day Butterfly Center to experience the spectacular sight of beautiful Blue Morpho butterflies flitting all around

Callaway Gardens, Pine Mountain, 31822 callawaygardens.com | 800-CALLAWAY

September 2-4, 2011

### Sky High Hot Air Balloon Festival

Between balloon launches, days are filled with entertainment, family activities, exhibits, demonstrations, music and more.

Callaway Gardens, Pine Mountain, 31822 callawaygardens.com | 800-CALLAWAY

September 3-5, 2011

### A Dip into the Past

Swim in the warm springs that FDR swam in at the Historic Pools. Reservations required. Roosevelt's Little White House Warm Springs, 31830 warmspringsga.ws | 706-655-5870

September 3-5, 2011

# Labor Day on the Lake at Florence Marina State Park

Get outside and have a little fun on the park. Family celebration includes games, boat rides and crafts. 218 Florence Rd., Omaha, 31821 warmspringsga.ws | 229-838-4706

September 10, 2011

### West Point Adventure Race

Includes mountain biking, trail running and canoeing, as well as obstacle courses and team challenges. Along the banks of the Chattahoochee River West Point, 31833 westpointadventurerace.com | 706-643-9404

September 17, 2011

### Flint River Farm Preservation School

A free community picnic, games for kids, petting zoo and African American heritage demonstrations. Flint River Farm School Preservation Park Montezuma, 31063 478-951-7243

September 24, 2011

### Plains Peanut Festival

An all-day event with a one-mile fun run and a 5K road race, a unique parade downtown and educational exhibits on display to accent the importance of agriculture in this region.

Plains, 31780

plainsgeorgia.com | 229-824-5373

September 24, 2011

### The Rock Ranch 50 Years of Space Flight Corn Maze Kick-Off

Marks the beginning of Fall Family Fun Days and features more than 30 fun attractions. Corn maze celebrates achievements in space exploration.
The Rock Ranch, The Rock, 30285

therockranch.com | 706-647-6374

September 24, 2011

### Warm Springs National Fish Hatchery Annual Open House

Guided tours of the public aquarium, boardwalk and display pool areas and hands-on activities for kids. Warm Springs National Fish Hatchery Warm Springs, 31830 706-655-3382

# October



October 1, 2011

### Crossroads at Crabapple Antique Show

Old-fashioned family event featuring American Country Antiques and juried local artists. The Historic Community of Crabapple Milton, 30004 citvofmiltonga.us

October 1 2011

# Destination East Point Fall Festival, Fireworks & Carnival

Family fun, live music, artists market, chili cook-off, face painting, pumpkins, dog show, professional carnival complete with carousel and Ferris wheel.

2757 East Point St., East Point, 30344 downtowneastpoint.com | 404-270-7059

October 1, 2011

### **Scarecrow Harvest**

Celebrate the fall season with a scarecrow competition, live music and hayrides. Historic Downtown Alpharetta, 30009 awesomealpharetta.com | 678-297-6078

## October 1-2, 2011

### **Norcross Art Fest**

The annual event showcases more than 100 juried fine artists displaying their unique work from paintings to jewelry.
65 Lawrenceville St., Norcross, 30071 norcrossartfest.com | 770-452-1727

October 1-31, 2011

### **Lawrenceville Ghost Tours**

Guided tales of terror and history, led by professional storytellers.

scarystroll.com | 678-226-6222

October 1-31, 2011

### Stone Mountain Park's 9th Annual Pumpkin Festival

(Fridays–Sundays only.) Pie-eating contest, scavenger hunt, pumpkin parade, crafts and kids costume contest. Crossroads®, Stone Mountain, 30086 stonemountainpark.com | 770-798-5690

October 8, 2011

### Fall & Food Festival

Celebrate the fall season with displays from local artists and craftsmen while enjoying delicious eats and treats with live entertainment for the whole family to enjoy. McDonough, 30253 770-898-9311





October 8, 2011

### **Lilburn Daze Arts and Craft Festival**

Family-oriented arts and crafts festival with entertainment including shopping and food. 76 Main St., Lilburn, 30047 lilburndaze.org | 770-921-2210

October 8, 2011

### Oakhurst Arts & Music Festival

Artists market with more than 50 artists, children's arts activities, literary arts and live musical performances all day. Harmony Park, Decatur, 30030 oakhurstartsandmusicfestival.com | 404-371-9583

October 8-9, 2011

# The Great Georgia Air Show

Precision parachuting, gravity-defying jets, thundering jet trucks and vintage war birds at Falcon Field Airport. 7 Falcon Dr., Peachtree City, 30269 thegreatgeorgiaairshow.com | 678-216-0282

October 8-9, 2011

### Stone Mountain Oktoberfest

Authentic German food, beer, wine, live music, and German-made products for sale. Kids activities include pretzel-making, crafts and games. Main St. and Silver Hill Rd. Downtown Stone Mountain, 30083 stonemountainvillage.com | 770-498-7334

October 14-16, 2011

# 39th Annual Stone Mountain Highland Games

Highland athletics, dancing, piping, drumming and Scottish harping. Special Events Meadow, Stone Mountain, 30086 stonemountainpark.com | 770-498-5690

October 14-16, 20-23, 27-30, 2011

### **26th Annual Tour of Southern Ghosts**

Storyteller dressed in historic garb. Antebellum Plantation, Stone Mountain, 30228 stonemountainpark.com | 770-469-1105

October 15, 2011

### Coweta Up in Smoke BBQ Cook-Off

Annual barbecue cook-off. The Florida Bar-B-Que Association Official Georgia State Championship and largest FBA competition in Georgia. Coweta County Fairgrounds 275 Pine St., Newnan, 30263 cowetabbq.com

October 15, 2011

### **Decatur Craft Beer Tasting Festival**

(Ages 21+ only.) Features hundreds of the finest local and international beers. Live music and food. Tickets must be purchased online.

Old Courthouse Sq., Decatur, 30030 decaturbeerfestival.com

October 15, 2011

### Golden City Cruisers 9th Annual Car Show

The club is made up of car enthusiasts and stresses family values and camaraderie. Membership is open to anyone. Downtown Villa Rica, 30180 goldencitycruisers.com | 770-235-8275

October 15, 2011

### Heritage Fall Festival

Enjoy local craftspeople, good food and great music with hayrides, costume contest and trick-or-treating through the historical village

101 Lake Dow Rd., McDonough, 30252 hcprd.org | 770-288-7300

October 15, 2011

### Taste of Acworth

Restaurants provide samples of their signature dishes. Main St., Downtown Historic Acworth, 30101 acworthbusiness.org | 770-974-8813

October 15, 2011

### Taste of Roswell

Great cuisine from Roswell restaurants. 617 Atlanta St., Roswell, 30075 visitroswellga.com/taste-roswell.html 800-776-7935

October 21-23, 2011

### **Dunwoody Music Festival**

Music entertainment, children's activities, chili cook-off, craft vendors and more at Brook Run Park. 4770 N. Peachtree Rd., Dunwoody, 30338 dunwoodyfallfestival.com

October 22, 2011

### Snellville Fall Festival

Celebrate fall fun on the Town Center Green with crafts, games, food, car show and live entertainment. Snellville, 30078 snellvillepride.com | 706-202-0713

October 22-23, 2011

### Jonguil Festival

Arts and crafts by more than 150 artists and crafters from across the country. Village Green, Downtown Smyrna, 30080 smyrnacity.com | 770-434-6600

October 29, 2011

### Fayetteville's Trick-or-Treat on Main Street

Decorated pumpkins light up the Old Courthouse. Children can trick-or-treat at the local merchants. Hayrides, costume and pumpkin-carving contests and more. Gazebo at Heritage Park Corner of GA hwys. 85 and 54, Fayetteville, 30214

fayetteville-ga.gov | 770-719-4173



October 1, 2011

### Rock Shrimp Festival

Arts, crafts, food and parade. Historic Downtown St. Marys, 31558 stmaryswelcome.com | 912-882-4000

October 6-7, 2011

### 6th Annual Pirate Fest

Swashbucklers of all ages, don your pirate costumes and gather your marauding buccaneers as Tybee is overrun by pirates with merriment, a parade and more. 802 First St., Tybee Island, 31328 tybeevisit.com | 800-868-2322





October 7-11, 2011

### Georgia's Colonial Coast Birding and Nature Festival

Shorelines, salt marshes, old rice fields, woodlands, tidal rivers and freshwater wetlands host fascinating bird communities

1 North Beachview Dr., Jekyll Island, 31527 coastalgeorgiabirding.org | 877-4JEKYLL

October 8, 2011

### Okefenokee Festival / National Wildlife Refuge Week

Visit the Chesser Island Homestead to discover how settlers once lived in southeast Georgia at the time the refuge system was established.

Okefenokee National Wildlife Refuge

Folkston, 31537

fws.gov/okefenokee/special%20events.html 912-496-7836

October 8-9, 2011

# 42nd Annual Golden Isles

### Fine Arts & Crafts Festival

More than 100 exhibitors and food vendors: children's art tent.

Postell Park in the Pier

Village of St. Simons Island, 31522

glynnart.org/calendar.html | 912-638-8770

October 8-31, 2011

### Hay Days 2011

The Pumpkin Palooza, a pumpkin patch and more family fun.

Historic Downtown St. Marys, 31558 stmarysdda.com | 912-882-8111

October 14-16, 2011

### **Great Ogeechee Seafood Festival**

Great Southern seafood, live music, arts and crafts, carnival and headlining musical act on Saturday night. J.F. Gregory Park, Richmond Hill, 31324 goseafoodfestival.com | 912-756-3444

October 15-16, 2011

### Cherokee of Georgia Council Pow Wow

Experience Indian culture with food vendors, dancing, a nature walk, and access to the Cherokee of Georgia Tribal Library and Cultural Center. Downtown St. George, 31558

cherokeeofgeorgia.us

### October 28-29, 2011 Fall-O-Ween Festival

Each night, come out for a haunted chilling trail. On Saturday is an afternoon of kids crafts, a pumpkin-decorating contest, hayrides, food, games and trick-or-treating. 52 Diamond Cswy., Savannah, 31411 georgiastateparks.org | 800-864-7275

October 29-November 5, 2011

### Savannah Film Festival

Annual festival hosted by the Savannah College of Art and Design, presenting a wide range of cinematic creativity.

Trustees Theater and Lucas Theatre Downtown Savannah, 31401 scad.edu/filmfest | 912-525-5050



October 1, 2011

### Fair on the Square

A full day of entertainment; includes a parade, arts and crafts vendors, food vendors, clowns, live entertainment, and rides and games for children.

Winthrope Ave., Millen, 30442

jenkinscountyga.com | 478-982-5595

October 1, 2011

### Oliver Hardy Festival

Arts and crafts, food, entertainment, parades, look-alike contest and Laurel and Hardy movies. Louisville Rd., Downtown Harlem, 30814 laurelandhardymuseum.org | 706-556-0401

October 1, 2011

### **Union Junction Jamboree**

Model railroad display, Fun Zone with pony rides and petting zoo, arts and crafts and live entertainment. Union Point, 30669

unionjunctionjamboree.org | 706-486-2351

October 1-November 5, 2011

### Corn Maze at the Old Frontier

Go through the corn maze, mine for gems at the gem mine, or feed the animals at the petting zoo. Younger members can go through a mini maze and play in a large eand hill

111 Railroad St., Thomson, 30824 theoldfrontier.com | 706-597-1000

October 8, 2011

### 4th Annual Columbus Day Celebration

Outdoor festival with children's activities, entertainment, food and drink.

630 Ronald Reagan Dr., Evans, 30809 columbiacountyga.gov | 706-312-7191

October 8, 2011

### 5th Annual Fiddles & Vittles Sponsored by Hometown Warrenton, Inc.

Food; country and bluegrass music.

46 S. Norwood St., Warrenton, 30828 warrencountyga.com | 706-465-9604

October 8, 2011

### **Kaolin Festival**

Parade and arts and crafts fair to celebrate the kaolin industry.

Courthouse Sq., Downtown Sandersville, 31082 478-552-2322

October 8, 2011

### Mule Day Southern Heritage Festival

Life as it was on the 1800s plantation. Draft mule and horse events and contests, primitive demonstrations, arts and crafts show, food and prizes at Callaway Plantation. US Hwy. 78 E, Washington, 30673 washingtonwilkes.org | 706-678-2013

October 14-16, 2011

### Thomson Treasure Hunt

Geocache your way through McDuffie County; event starts with a meet and greet at the Thomson Depot Friday at 6:30 p.m.

111 Railroad St., Thomson, 30824 exploremcduffiecounty.com | 706-597-1000





### October 15-16, 2011

### **Boshears Skyfest**

Event at Daniel Field honoring aviation pioneers and demonstrating aerial acrobatics with traditional air shows. Kart Classic, aircraft displays and rides.

Highland Ave. and Wrightsboro Rd., Augusta, 30904 augusta.org | 706-733-8970

October 22, 2011

### **Family Fall Festival**

Pumpkin scavenger hunt, nature hike, apple bobbing, marshmallow roasting, games, arts and crafts, music, storytelling and a live raptor show. 3725 Mistletoe Rd., Appling, 30802 georgiastateparks.org | 706-541-0321



# **Historic Heartland**

October 1, 2011

### 7th Annual Fall Festival & Chili Cook-Off

Sample a mix of chili from amateurs and experts from around the Southeast. Plus live entertainment and vendors. E. Jefferson St., Madison, 30650 madisonga.org | 800-709-7406

October 1, 2011

### 17th Annual Friendship Festival

This event features arts and crafts, children's events, food and live entertainment.

129 E. Hightower Trail, Social Circle, 30025 socialcirclebht.citymax.com | 770-464-1866

October 1, 2011

### 27th Annual North Georgia Folk Festival

Experience traditional folk music from blues to bluegrass, plus traditional craft demonstrations, activities and sales. 400 Bob Holman Rd., Athens, 30601 athensfolk.org | 706-613-3631

October 1, 2011

### Fall Farm Dav

Antique tractors, early gas engines, mule plowing demonstrations, chicken house, hayrides and a huge selection of pumpkins and antiques.

1195 Taylor's Mill Rd., Fort Valley, 31030 pineola.com | 478-827-0894

October 1, 2011

### **Fall Line Festival**

Handmade arts and crafts, antique tractor parade and show, barbecue contest and concert followed by fireworks. 204 Milledgeville Rd., Gordon, 31031 gordonbht.com | 478-628-1114

October 1-2, 2011

### 2011 Bill Pickett Rodeo

The nation's only traveling black rodeo; tells the story of the black American cowboy.

1996 Centennial Olympic Pkwy., Conyers, 30013 georgiahorsepark.com | 678-887-5921

October 6-16, 2011

### Georgia National Fair

The official state fair. Circus, concerts, livestock, horse shows and more.

Georgia National Fairgrounds, Perry, 31069

georgia National Fairgrounds, Perry, 31068 gnfa.com | 478-987-3247, 800-987-3247 October 8, 2011

### Jackson Alive - The Family Festival

Storytellers, car shows, sidewalk sales, entertainment and more.

Downtown Jackson, 30233

chamberbuttscounty.com | 770-775-4839

October 8, 2011

# Wings and Wheels Car, Truck and Motorcycle Show

Some 200 cars and vehicles are judged in different categories, plus entertainment.

Hwy. 247 and Russell Pkwy., Warner Robins, 31088 wingsandwheelscarshow.com | 478-926-6870

October 9, 2011

### 30th Annual Athens to Atlanta Road Skate

The world's largest point-to-point inline event combines the beauty of northern Georgia with the fun of inline skating. 300 N. Thomas St., Athens, 30601 a2a.net | 800-653-0603

October 15, 2011

### Oconee Chamber Fall Festival

Arts and crafts; children's activities include a petting zoo, rock wall, spider jump and inflatables. Downtown Watkinsville, 30677 occoc.org 1706-769-7947

October 20-22 and 27-29, 2011

### Spirits in October

Historic tours of the cemetery, Halloween-themed movies, and ghost tours of downtown Macon. 1301 Riverside Dr., Macon, 31201 riversidecemeteryconservancy.org | 478-742-5328

October 22, 2011

### 30th Annual Olde Towne Fall Festival

Handmade arts and crafts, entertainment and children's area. 901 Railroad St., Conyers, 30012 conyersga.com | 800-266-9377

October 22, 2011

# Deep Roots Festival

Barbecue cook-off, live music, arts and crafts, kids zone and car show.

200 W. Hancock St., Milledgeville, 31061 deeprootsfestival.com | 478-452-4687

October 24-27, 2011

### **Haunted Trolley Tour**

Tour historic Milledgeville and experience the tales and characters that continue to disturb the town even to this day.

200 W. Hancock St., Milledgeville, 31061 visitmilledgeville.org | 478-452-4687

October 29, 2011

### **Briar Patch Arts Festival**

This unique event offers fine arts and crafts, specialty foods, live entertainment and a fun zone for children. Eatonton, 31024 eatontonbht.com







# **Magnolia Midlands**

October 14-15, 2011

### Uvalda Ol' Time Farm Festival

Country, bluegrass, oldies and gospel music. Enjoy pony rides, clogging, line dancing, a cake walk, a beauty pageant and a car show.

100 Vidalia Sweet Onion Dr., Vidalia, 30474 vidaliaarea com l 912-594-6402



# **Historic High Country**

October 1, 2011

### Cedartown Fall Festival

Line the sidewalks of Cedartown and enjoy entertainment, a parade and competitions of all types. Historic Downtown Cedartown, 30125 downtowncedartown.com | 770-748-2090

October 1, 2011

### Heritage Day at The Marsh House

Enjoy Civil War living history, Marsh House tours, antiques and handmade items, entertainment, food and more. 308 N. Main St., Lafayette, 30728 marshhouseoflafayette.com | 706-638-5187

October 1, 2011

### Mt. Zion Founders Day

Arts and crafts, entertainment, parade and beauty pageant. Behind City Hall, Mt. Zion, 30150

770-832-1622

# October 1, 2011

Sum-Nelly Arts and Crafts Festival
Local and regional artists show off their work to kick off the
holiday season. Entertainment and food vendors.
Dowdy Park, Summerville, 30747

chattooga-chamber.org | 706-857-4033

October 1-2, 2011

### Georgia Marble Festival

More than 100 arts and crafts vendors, food, fine arts, entertainment, motorcycle ride and show and children's activities

Lee Newton Park, 500 Stegall Dr., Jasper, 30143 georgiamarblefestival.com I 706-692-5600

October 1-29, 2011

### Rocktoberfest

This premiere fall celebration includes live German music, polka lessons, German food, specialty beer, costume characters and fun for the whole family. 1400 Patten Rd., Lookout Mountain, 30750 seerockcity.com/rocktoberfest | 706-820-2531

October 8, 2011

### **Battle of Allatoona Pass**

Tour the hillside and the railroad cut through the pass. Walk the trails, visit the star fort earthworks, and follow the old Tennessee Road just as the soldiers did in 1864. Cartersville, 30121 gastateparks.org/redtopmountain | 770-975-0055

October 8, 2011

### J.D. Shedd Memorial Car Show

Ambucare Park, Bremen, 30110 visitharalson.org | 770-537-9157

October 8-9, 2011

### Meccafest Arts Festival

Fine arts festival, live entertainment and demonstrations. Carrollton Cultural Arts Center 251 Alabama St., Carrollton, 30117 cprcad.org, meccafest.com | 770-838-1083

October 8-9, 2011

### **New Salem Mountain Festival**

Quality arts and crafts atop Lookout Mountain. GA Hwy. 136 between Trenton and LaFayette Rising Fawn, 30738 dadechamber.com | 706-657-4488

October 8-9, 2011

# Prater's Mill Country Fair

An old-fashioned country fair with artists, craftsmen, music and food. 500 Prater's Mill Rd., Dalton, 30721 pratersmill.org | 706-694-6455

October 8-9 and 15-16, 2011

### **Georgia Apple Festival**

More than 300 vendors with handmade, handcrafted items, demonstrations, pony rides, parade and car show. Ellijay Lions Club Fairgrounds, Ellijay, 30540 georgiaapplefestival.org 706-273-2100, 706-638-4500

October 14-15, 2011

### **Cherokee Pignic**

Old-fashioned country fair and Kansas City Barbeque Society–sanctioned barbecue contest. Heritage Park 234 Riverstone Pkwy., Canton, 30114 cherokeepignic.com | 770-345-0400

October 15, 2011

### **Bremen Towne Festival**

Parade, crafts, games and food. Downtown Bremen, 30110 visitharalson.org | 770-537-6570

October 15-16, 2011

### Talking Rock Heritage Days Festival

Wide variety of arts, crafts and antiques. Demonstrations for the young and old; bluegrass and Southern gospel music: food.

Main St., Talking Rock, 30175

talkingrockga.com/Heritage\_Days\_Festival/Heritage\_Days\_page.htm | 706-692-5600

October 15-16, 22-23, 2011

### **Mountain Harvest Arts & Craft Sale**

Arts and crafts; food and fun for the whole family. Farmers Market, Blue Ridge, 30513 706-374-2335

October 20-23, 2011

### 9th Annual Southeastern Cowboy Festival and Symposium

A featured artist and entertainer, a reenactment of the gunfight at the O.K. Corral, Native American dancing, Western music and poetry, art vendors, and living history encampments.

501 Museum Dr. Cartersville, 30120

501 Museum Dr., Cartersville, 30120 boothmuseum.org | 770-387-1300





October 22-23, 2011

### Chiaha Harvest Fair

A toe-tappin', cider-sippin', fun-for-everyone arts festival. Ridge Ferry Park, Riverside Pkwy., Rome, 30161 chiaha.org | 706-235-4542

October 22-23, 2011

### Fall for Chatsworth's Black Bear Festival

Annual festival in the heart of downtown Chatsworth featuring art, crafts and family music for all ages. 126 N. Third Ave., Chatsworth, 30705 murraycountychamber.org | 800-969-9490

October 2, 6-9, 13-16, 20-23, 27-31, 2011

### Rock City's Enchanted MAiZE

A fun-filled, interactive experience for all ages. Submerse yourself deep inside this specially designed cornfield. 271 Old Chattanooga Valley Rd., Flintstone, 30725 enchantedmaze.com | 706-820-2531



## **Northeast Mountains**

October 1, 2011

### **Big Red Apple Festival**

Arts, crafts, family entertainment, food and live music. Historic Downtown Cornelia, 30531 corneliageorgia.org | 706-778-7875

October 1, 2011

### **Foxfire Mountaineer Festival**

Celebration of Appalachian heritage, culture, crafts and music.

Downtown Clayton, 30525 foxfire.org | 706-746-5828

October 1, 2011

### Petit Le Mans Race

New competition to encourage manufacturers to develop green technologies. Incremental element of the Series' signature event, the 1,000-mile Petit Le Mans race. Road Atlanta

5300 Winder Hwy., Braselton, 30517

roadatlanta.com | 770-967-6143, 800-849-RACE

October 1, 2011

# **Turning and Burning Old Time Festival**

Pottery, basket making, chair bottoming, functional corn mill, antiques and food.

Hewell's Pottery, 6035 Hwy. 52, Gillsville, 30543 hewellspottery.com | 770-869-3469

October 1-2, 2011

### Georgia Bluesfest

Two days of music, food, fun and camping. 500 Lyle Field Rd., Jefferson, 30549 georgiabluesfest.com | 706-367-9461

October 1-2, 2011

### **Indian Summer Festival**

Arts and crafts, antiques, pottery, leather goods, local produce, folk art, homemade goodies and barbecue. Woody Gap School 3736 State Hwy. 60, Suches, 30572

suches.com/festival | 706-747-2401

October 1-31, 2011

### **Haunted Nights of Lights**

A three-mile drive of themed and animated Halloween light displays ending at the Haunted Village. Lake Lanier Islands, 30518

lakelanierislands.com/calendar/hnol.php I 770-945-8787

October 6-16, 2011

### **Cumming Country Fair & Festival**

Rides, games, concerts, Heritage Village and food. Cumming Fairgrounds 235 Castleberry Rd., Cumming, 30040 cummingfair.net | 770-781-3491

October 7-9, 2011

### **Mule Camp Market**

Festival showcasing mountain arts and crafts, music, food, petting zoo, mule rides and more.

Georgia Mountain Fairgrounds

Downtown Sq., Gainesville, 30501

gainesvillejaycees.org/about/projects/mule-camp 770-531-2664

October 7-15, 2011

### Georgia Mountain Fall Festival

Musical performances, flower show and Georgia's Official State Fiddlers' Convention. Georgia Mountain Fairgrounds 1311 Music Hall Rd., Hiawassee, 30546

October 8, 2011

### Royston Fall Festival

A day of music, crafts, car show, food and more. Downtown, Royston, 30662 cityofroyston.org | 706-245-7577

georgiamountainfairgrounds.com | 706-896-4191

October 8-9 and 15-16, 2011

### Georgia's Official Sorghum Festival

Arts and crafts, syrup making, greased-pole climbing, log sawing, live music, face painting, parade and car show. Meeks Park, Blairsville, 30512 blairsvillejaycees.org | 877-745-5789

October 15, 2011

### Fall Hoedown at Vogel

Celebrate autumn's arrival with food, drinks, cakewalk, hayrides, bonfire, square/line dancing, trick-or-treating, and professional storytelling at Vogel State Park. 7485 Vogel State Park Rd., Blairsville, 30512 georgiastateparks.org/vogel I 706-745-2628

October 15, 2011

# Hambidge Fall Festival

Music, barbecue and raku. Hambidge Center 105 Hambidge Ct., Rabun Gap, 30568 hambidge.org | 706-746-7324

October 15-16, 2011

### **Gold Rush Days**

Arts and crafts vendors, parade, children's activities, fashion show, gold panning and entertainment. Dahlonega Town Sq., Dahlonega, 30533 dahlonega.org | 706-864-3513





October 21-22, 2011

### Hillbilly Hog BBQ Throwdown & Fall Leaf Festival

Barbecue competition sanctioned by the Kansas City Barbeque Society; live music, entertainment, barbecue and fun for all.

283 GA Hwy. 255 N, Sautee, 30571

hillbillyhogbbathrowdown.com | 706-809-0139

October 21-23, 2011

### **Moonshine Festival**

Crafts, food and entertainment, parade, car show, music, dancers, kids games and rides, and exhibits. Downtown Dawsonville, 30534

dawson.org | 877-280-8147

October 22, 2011

### **Batesville Days**

Arts and crafts, vendors, food, kids' activities, blacksmithing, wood carving and wool spinning. Sunburst Stables

3181 Hwy. 255, Clarkesville, 30523 batesvilledays.com | 706-947-3434

October 22, 2011

### Harvest Festival at Crane Creek Vineyards

Celebrate the harvest at the vineyards; food and a hayride. 916 Crane Creek Rd., Young Harris, 30582 cranecreekvineyards.com | 706-379-1236

October 29, 2011

### **Martin Fall Festival**

Entertainment, food, vendors and children's activities. Downtown Martin, 30577 toccoachamber.com | 706-779-3460

October 29-30, 2011

### **HalloWINE Celebration at Three Sisters Vineyards**

Harvest concludes with annual hootenanny scheduled on the new Crush Pad Deck. Special tastings will be combined with free live music. 439 Vineyard Way, Dahlonega, 30533

threesistersvineyards.com | 706-865-9463



October 1, 2011

### 21st Annual Pelham Wildlife Festival

Food, craft vendors, art show, animal encounters and street dance at night. 128 W. Railroad St., Pelham, 31779 pelhamchamber.org | 229-294-4924

October 1, 2011

### Albany International Festival

Live entertainment including cultural performances, international food flavors, car show and kids activities, located on the banks of the Flint River. 112 N. Front St., Albany, 31701 visitalbanyga.com | 229-317-4760

October 3-8, 2011

### **Honey Bee Festival**

Come and celebrate the bee! Parades, arts and crafts, and a beauty pageant. Main St., Hahira, 31632

hahira.ga.us/honeybee.html | 229-794-2567

October 7-8, 14-15, 21-22, 28-29, 2011

### Swamp Gravy (Georgia's Official Folk Life Play)

An original, crowd-pleasing blend of comedy, drama and music featuring a cast of volunteers who transform Southern life into unforgettable theater. Cotton Hall Theatre, 166 Main St., Colquitt, 31737

swampgravy.com | 229-758-5450

October 7-9, 2011

### Thomasville Fly-In 2011

Candy drop for kids of all ages, a spot-landing contest, a wide variety of vendors and aircraft rides. Thomasville Regional Airport, Thomasville, 31792 thomasvilleflyin.com | 229-403-1071

October 15, 2011

### 2011 Georgia Peanut Festival

The Peanut Capital of the World hosts the celebration of the peanut with food, a parade, crafts and a beauty contest.

T.C. Jeffords Park, Sylvester, 31701 gapeanutfestival.com | 229-776-6657

October 15, 2011

### **Randolph County Crossroads Festival**

Celebrate the kickoff of the fall hunting season. 122 Lumpkin St., Cuthbert, 39840 randolphcountychamber.org | 229-732-2683

October 18-20, 2011

### Sunbelt Agricultural Exposition

North America's Premier Farm Show™. 290-G Harper Blvd., Moultrie, 31788 sunbeltexpo.com | 229-985-1968

October 22, 2011

# Georgia Heritage Festival

Traditional county fair atmosphere at the Georgia Museum of Agriculture with food and craft vendors, entertainment, historic village and open museum. Tifton, 31794

agrirama.com | 229-386-3406

October 29, 2011

### **Boston Mini-Marathon Festival**

A 13.1-mile race, family activities, entertainment, arts and crafts and a parade. Main St., Boston, 31626 bostonga.com | 229-498-6743



# Presidential Pathways

October 1, 2011

### Growing Up Green with Bob and Larry of Veggie Tales

Enjoy fun outdoor attractions, visit with Bob and Larry from Veggie Tales and learn about keeping our planet healthy. The Rock Ranch, The Rock, 30285 therockranch.com | 706-647-6374

October 1-2 2011

### Andersonville Historic Fair

A day of old-fashioned fun with crafters, demonstrators and open-hearth cooking. Civil War Village, Andersonville, 31711 229-924-2558





October 1-2, 2011

### Cotton Pickin' Fair

A national-award-winning festival features a 190-yearold family farmstead, 300 artisans and antiques dealers, Southern foods and regional entertainment. Gay Family Farm, Gay, 30218 cpfair.org | 706-538-6814

October 1-2, 2011

### Shady Days in Gay Arts & Crafts Festival Inc.

Exhibitors continue the spirit of craftsmanship, skill and talent that many area farmers, homemakers and craftsmen began in this town.

18785 Hwy. 85, Gay, 30218 shadydaysingay.com | 706-977-8548

October 1-November 17, 2011

### **AutumnFest**

Embrace the colors of fall with family fun and seasonal festivities

Callaway Gardens, Pine Mountain, 31822 callawaygardens.com | 800-CALLAWAY

October 1-November 17, 2011

### **Chrysanthemum Season**

Enjoy an incredible variety of color, size and type of chrysanthemums, including rare cascading mums overflowing baskets up to four and a half feet long. Callaway Gardens, Pine Mountain, 31822 callawaygardens.com | 800-CALLAWAY

October 6-9, 2011

### **Harvest Moon Festival**

Four-day festival focused on music, food and outdoor active living.

Callaway Gardens, Pine Mountain, 31822 callawaygardens.com | 800-CALLAWAY

October 8, 2011

### Classic Car Show and Fall Line Festival

5K Fun Run, an arts and crafts show, food vendors, live music, merry-go-rounds, pony rides and clowns for the kids, and the Fall Line Car Show. Talbotton, 31827

talbotcountychamber.org | 706-665-8079

October 8, 2011

### The Official Day of the Cowboy

Gun-fighting cowboys, fast-draw demo, trick ropers, chili cook-off, and more outdoor adventure for the whole family. The Rock Ranch, The Rock, 30285 therockranch.com | 706-647-6374

October 8-9, 2011

### Harvest Hoedown

Fall celebration of arts, crafts, food, entertainment and

1 Broad St., Warm Springs, 31830 warmspringsga.ws | 800-337-1927

October 13-16, 2011

### **NHRA-Lucas Oil Drag Racing Series**

400 cars seeking NHRA National and Divisional drag racing championships, including Top Alcohol Dragsters and Funny Cars at Silver Dollar Raceway. 42 Raceway Dr., Reynolds, 31076

silverdollarraceway.com | 478 847-4414

October 15, 2011

### **Deer Day Festival**

Celebrate opening day of deer season with food and fun. Oglethorpe, 31068

maconcountyga.org | 478-472-2391

October 15, 2011

### Hot Air Balloon Rally

Enjoy beautiful hot-air balloons in competition. Balloon rides available, weather permitting; fun for the whole family. The Rock Ranch, The Rock, 30285 therockranch.com | 706-647-6374

October 15-16, 2011

### **Hogansville Hummingbird Festival**

Arts and crafts, food and fun for all. Downtown Hogansville, 30230 hummingbirdfestival.com | 706-637-9497

October 22 2011

### The Great Outdoor Adventure

Enjoy zip lines, cane pole fishing, chainsaw carving demonstrations and more fun outdoor activities. The Rock Ranch, The Rock, 30285 therockranch.com | 706-647-6374

October 22-23, 2011

### The Annual Southern Pirate Festival

Public and kid-friendly events on Saturday, and fun for pirates from all over throughout the weekend. 1002 Victory Dr., Columbus, 31901 southernpiratefestival.com | 706-327-9798

October 22-23 and 29-30, 2011

### Day Out with Thomas the Train

Thomas the Tank Engine rolls into Georgia Veterans State Park for the Day Out with Thomas tour. Ride a real train, meet the characters and join in on storytelling and crafts. 105 E. Ninth Ave., Cordele, 31015 samshortline.com | 877-GA-RAILS

October 27-29, 2011

### **Harvest Davs**

Gin cotton, cook sugar cane syrup and make candles and soap! Help stack hay, shell corn, play games and enjoy oldfashioned country cooking. Historic Westville, Lumpkin, 31815 westville.org | 888-733-1850

October 28-30, 2011

# **Christmas Made in the South**

Hundreds of artists and craftsmen gather to demonstrate and sell their work; get a head start on your Christmas shopping. 801 Front Ave., Columbus, 31901 madeinthesouthshows.com | 706-327-4522

October 29, 2011

### Beaver Creek Festival

Arts and crafts, food, live entertainment and the Great Beaver Creek Duck Race. Charlie Jackson Unity Park, Montezuma, 31063 maconcountyga.org/areaatrr.html 478-472-4777

October 29, 2011

### Not-So-Spooky Halloween Fest

A wholesome family Halloween experience including trick-ortreating, a costume contest, scavenger hunt, flashlight corn maze, magician and more. Enter your pet in the pet costume contest and enjoy Frisbee dog shows. The Rock Ranch, The Rock, 30285

therockranch.com | 706-647-6374





October 29-30, 2011

### Chitlin Hoedown

Barbecue chicken and chitlin plates, arts and crafts, and a parade.

Downtown Yatesville, 31097 706-472-3487

### November



### Atlanta Metro

November 3-6, 2011

### 12th Annual Stone Mountain Park Indian Festival & Pow-Wow

Interactive education and entertainment. Antebellum Plantation and Farmyard Stone Mountain, 30086 stonemountainpark.com | 770-498-5690

November 11-12, 2011

### **Elegant Elf Marketplace**

Features vendors offering unique products and gifts. 86 Mt. Vernon Hwy., Sandy Springs, 30328 sandyspringssociety.org | 404-444-6188

November 13, 2011-January 2, 2012

### Stone Mountain Christmas

Display of more than 2 million lights, plus fireworks, artisans and food.

Crossroads®, Stone Mountain, 30086 stonemountainpark.com | 770-498-5690

November 25, 2011

# Stone Mountain Village

### **Christmas Celebration**

Live Christmas music, craft show, Santa's entrance, lighting of the tree and fireworks finale. Downtown Stone Mountain, 30083 stonemountainvillage.com | 770-498-7334

November 29, 2011

# City of Stockbridge Holiday Festival

A visit from Mr. and Mrs. Claus, pictures, music, refreshments, a puppet show and more. 111 Davis Rd., Stockbridge, 30281 mmccevents.com | 770-389-5982



# Coast

### November 5, 2011 **Darien Fall Fest**

Entertainment, fine arts, crafts and local cuisine. 100-200 Broad and First sts. Darien, 31305

visitdarien.com | 912-437-3410

November 12, 2011

### The Debatable Land Fall Encampment

Living-history demonstrations portraying colonial life (the Scots and Spanish) and native American Indians. Fort King George Historic Site, Darien, 31305 visitdarien.com | 912-437-3410

November 19, 2011

### "Come and Take It!" Revolutionary War **Encampment at Fort Morris**

Enjoy colonial demonstrations, musket and cannon drills, a small skirmish and more. 2559 Ft. Morris Rd., Midway, 31320 georgiastateparks.org | 912-884-5999

November 19, 2011

### Sugar Cane Grinding and Syrup Boil

Designed to provide visitors with a hands-on demonstration of early techniques for sugar cane processing. 2700 Suwannee Canal Rd., Folkston, 31537 fws.gov/okefenokee

November 25-26, 2011

### Savannah Holly Days

A snow area for playing in Reynolds Square, a skating rink on Broughton Street, shopping in downtown shops with local artisans, and live entertainment. 101 E. Bay St., Savannah, 31401 savannahhollydays.com | 877-728-2662

November 26-December 31, 2011

### Holidays in History on Jekyll Island

Festivities highlight the history of the island and include the Jekyll Island Museum's Holidays in History tours. Various locations, Jekyll Island, 31527 jekyllisland.com/holidayisland , 877-4JEKYLL



# Classic South

November 5, 2011

### 5th Annual CSRA Wine Festival

More than 200 wines and various cheeses, breads and other culinary tapas for sampling prepared by local chefs. Savannah Rapids Pavilion, Evans, 30809 csrawinefestival.com | 706-447-7677

November 5, 2011

### 5th Annual Main Street Read

Literary festival for the whole family, especially children. 521 Main St., Warrenton, 30828 warrencountyga.com | 706-465-9604

November 5, 2011

### **Belle Meade Hunt Opening Meet**

Ride through the countryside on a Tally Ho Wagon, following horses and hounds on a simulated fox hunt. Wrightsboro Rd., Thomson, 30824 exploremcduffiecounty.com | 706-595-2525

November 12, 2011

### 18th Annual Sportsman's Festival Sponsored by Warren County Chamber of Commerce

A festival including hunting and fishing vendors for the whole family.

46 S. Norwood St., Warrenton, 30828 warrencountyga.com | 706-465-9604

November 18-27, 2011

### Annual Holiday Gingerbread Village

A delectable showcase of historic structures displayed as gingerbread houses. Reynolds St., Augusta, 30901 augustamuseum.org | 706-722-8454

# (November)



### November 19, 2011

### 11th Annual Cane Grinding

Watch and sample as cane is ground into syrup. 371 George L. Smith State Park Rd., Twin City, 30471 georgiastateparks.org | 478-763-2759

November 19, 2011

### **Pioneer Day**

Step back in time at Pioneer Day, held annually the Saturday before Thanksgiving. See live craft demonstrations, food, music and more.

147 Lumber St., Lincolnton, 30817 lincolncountyga.org | 706-359-7970

November 22-December 29, 2011

### Lights of the South

Lights display can be seen by walking through the acres of displays or riding in an old-fashioned wagon. 633 Louisville Rd., Grovetown, 30813 lightsofthesouth.com | 706-825-6441

November 26-December 31, 2011

### Snowing on the Square

Visit historic downtown Washington to enjoy the snow while shopping and enjoying holiday festivities. Courthouse Sq., Washington, 30673 washingtonwilkes.org | 706-678-2013



# **Historic Heartland**

November 5, 2011

### 45th Annual Monticello-Jasper County Deer Festival

Thousands flock to this event, which features live entertainment, children's activities, venison cook-off, parade, hunter safety information and a variety of foods.

119 W. Washington St., Monticello, 31064 historicmonticello.com | 706-468-8994

November 9-13 and 16-20, 2011

### Atlanta Fall Classic I & II

Hunter-jumper horse shows attract about 600 horses to compete for two shows.

Georgia International Horse Park
1996 Centennial Olympic Pkwy., Conyers, 30013 classiccompany.com 1 770-602-2606



# **Magnolia Midlands**

November 4-5, 2011

### **National BBQ Festival**

National barbecue competition featuring teams from all over the country for the Best of the Best Invitational and open competitions.

216 S. Madison Ave., Douglas, 31533 nationalbbqfestival.com | 912-384-5978

November 10, 2011

### Shakespeare on Trial

Watch as author Bill Shakespeare encounters his most famous characters—MacBeth, lago, Hamlet and Juliet—up close, personal and ticked off. 33 E. Main St., Statesboro, 30458

averittcenterforthearts.org | 912-212-2787

# Historic High Country

November 5, 2011

### 99th Annual Stilesboro Chrysanthemum Show

Oldest chrysanthemum show in the state of Georgia. Historic Stilesboro, Academy, 30120 notatlanta.org | 770-382-7773, 800-733-2280

November 5-6, 2011

### 3rd Annual Woodstock Art & Wine Festival

Some of the Southeast's most talented artists display and offer their works representing a variety of media. Enjoy a wine-tasting area. 251 E. Main St., Woodstock, 30188 woodstockartandwinefestival.com

November 5-6, 2011

### Rattling Gourd Art Festival

Arts and crafts festival. Chattooga County Civic Center Summerville, 30747 rattlinggourd.com | 706-506-2404

November 18, 2011-January 1, 2012

### **Rock City Enchanted Garden of Lights**

Award-winning light extravaganza featuring more than 30 holiday scenes and over a million lights. Closed Christmas Eve.

Rock City Garden

1400 Patten Rd., Lookout Mountain, 30750 seerockcity.com | 800-854-0675

November 24, 2011

### **Christmas in Possum Snout**

Downtown Christmas open house, carriage rides, refreshments and entertainment.
Downtown Tallapoosa, 30176
visitharalson.org I 770-574-5594



# **Northeast Mountains**

November 4-6, 2011

### **Hemlock Fest**

Music, food and fun for a great cause. Starbridge, Dahlonega, 30533 lumpkincoalition.org/hemlockfest.htm 706-265-5282, 706-864-3513

November 5, 2011

### **Granite City Festival**

Fall festival featuring arts and crafts, food, entertainment, granite demonstrations, quarry tours and petting 200. Downtown Elberton, 30635 elbertga.com I 706-283-5651

November 10-13, 2011

### **Dahlonega Literary Festival**

Presentations by noted authors, Don Bacek Literary IQ Quiz and Scavenger Hunt.

Various locations downtown | Dahlonega, 30533 literaryfestival.org | 706-864-3513

November 11-12, 2011

# Cumming Steam, Antique Tractor & Gas Engine Exposition

& Gas Engine Exposition
Cumming Fairgrounds

235 Castleberry Rd., Cumming, 30040 cummingfair.net | 770-781-3491



# November)

November 11-13, 2011

### Northeast Georgia Arts Tour

Meet artists demonstrating their talents and techniques. Various sites throughout northeast Georgia Georgia Heritage Center for the Arts artstour.org | 706-754-5989

November 19, 2011

### Appalachian Christmas at BabyLand **General Hospital**

Face painting, games, pony rides, petting zoo, arts and crafts and lighting of the tree. BabyLand General 300 NOK Dr., Cleveland, 30528 cabbagepatchkids.com | 706-865-2171

November 19-20, 2011

### **Christmas in Central Park**

Arts and crafts holiday festival with family entertainment. Central Park, Cumming, 30040 forsythco.com | 678-936-6422

November 19-20, 2011

### Mistletoe Market & Sugar Plum Tea Room

Arts and crafts and homemade Christmas gifts. North Georgia Technical College 434 Meeks Ave. (US 76 W) | Blairsville, 30512 mtnregartscraftsguild.org | 706-896-0932

November 20-December 30, 2011

### **Magical Nights of Lights**

Six miles of lights and displays and a live nativity scene. 700 Holiday Rd., Lake Lanier Islands, 30158 lakelanierislands.com

770-932-7200, 800-840-5232

November 24, 2011

### Appalachian Thanksgiving at Amicalola Falls

Appalachian cultural demonstrations and displays will be presented at the lodge. 418 Amicalola Falls State Park Rd. Dawsonville, 30534 georgiastateparks.org | 706-344-1505

November 25, 2011

# The Lighting of the Chateau

Château Élan Winery & Resort 100 Rue Charlemagne, Braselton, 30517 chateauelan.com | 770-867-9798, ext. 2

November 25-26, 2011

### Fall Arts & Crafts Festival at Brasstown Valley Resort

A juried event with vendors presenting their work. Featuring 15 different categories of crafters and artists. 6321 US Hwy. 76, Young Harris, 30582 brasstownvalley.com | 800-201-3205

November 25-27, December 4-5, 2011

### ChristKindlmarkt

A traditional German holiday event. Downtown Marketplatz, Helen, 30545 helenchamber.com | 706-878-1908

November 25-December 10, 2011

### **Festival of Trees**

Beautifully decorated trees throughout Unicoi Lodge. 1788 GA Hwy. 356, Helen, 30545 whitecountychamber.org | 706-878-2201

November 25-December 31, 2011

### **Old-Fashioned Christmas**

Celebrate the Christmas season in Historic Dahlonega. Various sites around Lumpkin County Dahlonega, 30533 dahlonega.org | 706-864-3513

November 29-30, 2011

### Toccoa Harvest Fest

Handmade, home-baked or home-grown crafts by 200plus vendors; two stages of entertainment; a classic car cruise; and activities for children and youths. Downtown Sq., Toccoa, 30577 mainstreettoccoa.com/harvestfest | 706-282-3309



November 1-5, 2011

### **Decatur County Fall Festival and Fair**

Booths with crafts, jewelry, art and more; judging of homemade jams and goodies. Decatur County Fairgrounds, Bainbridge, 39818

bainbridgegachamber.com | 229-246-4774

November 5, 2011

### **Calvary Mule Day**

450 arts and crafts booths, mule parade and contest, and syrup making. Mule Day Grounds, Calvary, 31792 calvarylionsmuleday.com | 229-377-3663

November 12, 2011

### 35th Annual Old South Day Festival

Arts and crafts, food, a parade, an old-fashioned country fair, an antique museum, a living museum, entertainment, and the making of cane syrup. Ochlocknee Community Center 5020 Spence St., Ochlocknee, 31773 229-574-5151

November 12, 2011

### Annual High Cotton 65-Mile Yard Sale

A yard sale spanning from Camilla to Gainesville. 212 E. Broad St., Camilla, 31730 camillageorgia.com | 229-336-5255

November 12-13, 2011

### Calico Holiday Arts and Crafts Show

400 booths of homemade arts and crafts. 290-G Harper Blvd., Moultrie, 31788 calicocrafts.com | 229-985-1968

November 19-20, 2011

### **Plantation Wildlife Arts Festival**

Agility and field trial dog demonstrations, butterfly habitat, the Flowers Foods Inc. Wild Discovery Center and liveanimal encounters. Thomasville Cultural Center Thomasville, 31792 pwaf.org | 229-226-0588

November 26, 2011

### Swine Time

Festivities and contests celebrating the pig. 620 New St., Climax, 39834 swinetimefestival.com

# December)





# **Presidential Pathways**

November 3-5, 2011

### **Harvest Days**

Gin cotton, cook sugar cane syrup and make candles and soap! Help stack hay, shell corn, play games and enjoy old-fashioned country cooking.

Historic Westville, Lumpkin, 31815 westville.org | 888-733-1850

November 4-6, 2011

### Big Pig Jig Barbecue Cooking Championship

Barbecue, arts and crafts, rides and games, and many other competitions.

Vienna, 31092

bigpigjig.com | 229-268-8275

November 5, 2011

### **Pumpkin Destruction Day**

Bring your leftover pumpkin or borrow one from the Ranch and have fun "recycling" them with pumpkin bombing airplanes, Monster Trucks and the pumpkin drop. The Rock Ranch, The Rock, 30285 therockranch.com | 706-647-6374

November 5, 2011

### Steeplechase at Callaway Gardens

A day in the country, enjoying horse races and tailgating in the beautiful setting of the Pine Mountain Ridge in autumn. Callaway Gardens, Pine Mountain, 31822 callawaygardens.com | 800-CALLAWAY

November 5-6, 2011

### **Fala Davs**

Scottie Scavenger Hunt, PJ and pizza party, Saturday festivities in Warm Springs Village and a banquet. Warm Springs, 31830 warmspringsga.ws | 800-337-1927

November 6, 2011

### Founders Day and Free Admission at Callway Gardens

In memory of its founder, Callaway Gardens welcomes the public to visit for free on Cason Callaway's Birthday. Callaway Gardens, Pine Mountain, 31822 callawaygardens.com | 800-CALLAWAY

November 11-12, 2011

### **Richland Pig Fest XIV**

Barbecue cooking competition, bands and street dances, carnival, arts, crafts, Army band concert, car show and more.

Richland, 31825

richlandpigfest.com | 229-887-3433

November 12, 2011

### The Kritter Jubilee

Come party with the wild things! See reptile shows and birds of prey programs, meet Curious George and learn about the critters that make up our Georgia wildlife family. The Rock Ranch, The Rock, 30285

therockranch.com | 706-647-6374

November 18-20, 2011

# **Candlelight Tour Festival in Warm Springs Village**

Start your holiday season with entertainment, candlelit streets, refreshments and more.

Warm Springs, 31830

# November 18-December 30, 2011

### **Fantasy in Lights**

Eight million lights create more than a dozen beautiful scenes. Also holiday shopping and visits with Santa. Callaway Gardens, Pine Mountain, 31822 callawaygardens.com | 800-CALLAWAY

# December

Many communities hold activities celebrating the holidays. Please visit ExploreGeorgia.org for events and dates.



# Atlanta Metro

December 3-4, 2011

### The Marietta Pilgrimage Christmas Home Tour

Twenty-fifth annual award-winning home tour gives a glimpse into six private Marietta homes located in the Whitlock Avenue Historic District.

Marietta, 30060

mariettapilgrimage.com | 770-429-1115

December 31, 2011

### Lawrenceville Rings

Motown, swing, jazz and teen bands perform; magic shows, face painting, inflatable games and food

Historic Courthouse Sq. Lawrenceville, 30045

visitlawrenceville.com | 678-226-2639



### December 10, 2011

### Winter Muster Battle

Learn about the last days of this Confederate fort before its capture during Gen. Sherman's March to the Sea. 3894 Ft. McAllister Rd., Richmond Hill, 31324 georgiastateparks.org | 912-727-2339

December 10-11, 2011

### 37th Annual Holiday Tour of Homes and Inn Tour

Holiday home tours and three optional extras: Victorian tea in a unique Savannah mansion, a Sunday tour of Savannah's beautiful private inns, and a Holiday Boutique shopping opportunity.

Bryson Hall

5 E. Perry St., Savannah, 31401 dnaholidaytour.com | 912-236-8362

December 29-30, 2011

### 36th Annual Jekyll Island New Year's Bluegrass Festival

Bluegrass concerts. Jekyll Island Convention Center

1 Beachview Dr., Jekyll Island, 31527

aandabluegrass.com/Festivals/NewYearsBluegrassFestival.html 877-4JFKYLL





December 31, 2011

### 2011 Annual New Year's Eve Fireworks

802 First St., Tybee Island, 31328 tybeevisit.com | 800-868-2322



December 1, 2011

### 9th Annual Hometown Christmas Sponsored by Hometown Warrenton Inc.

An evening of old-fashioned Christmas. Downtown Warrenton, 30828 warrencountyga.com | 706-465-9604

December 2-3, 2011

### Holiday on the Hill

Experience the magic of the holidays at Hickory Hill on an evening tour of Sen. Thomas E. Watson's beloved home. 502 Hickory Hill Dr., Thomson, 30824 hickory-hill.org | 706-595-7777

December 2-3, 2011

# T'was the Night Before Lighted Boat

### Parade & Christmas Light Up Spectacular Boat parade along the Savannah River features boats of all

sizes decorated with lights and holiday themes.
Jessye Norman Amphitheatre
Downtown Augusta, 30901
myaugustadowntown.com | 706-722-8000

December 3, 2011

### **Holidays in Olde Lincoln Towne**

Holiday festival and Christmas parade, food, crafts and local vendors.

Main St., Lincolnton, 30817 lincolncountyga.org | 706-359-7970

December 3-4, 2011

### Christmas Tour of Homes & Festival off Main

Come enjoy the Depot Dash, arts and crafts festival, live entertainment and a winter wonderland parade. 111 Railroad St., Thomson, 30824 exploremcduffiecounty.com | 706-597-1000

December 10-11, 2011

### Annual Christmas Tour of Homes & Colonial Dinner

Private homes tour and holiday dinner. Washington, 30673 washingtonwilkes.org | 706-678-2013



# **Historic Heartland**

December 1-4, 2011

### 2011 Historical Society Christmas Tour of Homes

Privately owned historic homes open to the public. 277 S. Main St., Madison, 30650 friendsofheritagehall.org | 706-342-9627

December 2, 2011

### Olde Town Conyers Christmas Party

Visits with Santa, carriage and train rides, and ice-skating.

901 Railroad St., Conyers, 30012 conyersga.com | 800-266-9377

December 3-22, 2011

### Antebellum Christmas at the Old Governor's Mansion

The mansion will be decorated with mid-19th-century, all-natural decorations. Old Governor's Mansion 120 S. Clark St., Milledgeville, 31061 gcsu.edu/mansion | 478-445-4545



# Magnolia Midlands

December 3, 2011

### Winter Wonderland & Christmas Parade

Christmas parade and winter wonderland with a block of snow for snow sledding and hot chocolate with Santa. Downtown Baxley, 31513 baxley.org | 912-367-8300

December 17, 2011

### **Christmas on the Pond**

Storytelling, hayrides, refreshments and Santa will usher in the holiday season.

46 John Coffee Rd., Nicholls, 31554 georgiastateparks.org | 912-384-7082



# **Historic High Country**

December 2, 2011-January 1, 2012

### LaFayette's Amazing Christmas

Enjoy the whimsical display from the city park or in the warmth of your car. More than 200,000 lights and songs with dancing color arrangements.
304 N. Main St., LaFayette, 30728 cityoflafayettega.org



# **Northeast Mountains**

December 2-3, 2011

### **Banks County Christmas Festival**

Holiday vendors, entertainment, parade and fun for the whole family.

106 Yonah Homer Rd., Homer, 30547 bankscountyga.org I 706-677-2108

December 2-4, 2011

### Mountain Top Georgia Tour of Homes and Art Walk

Tour decorated homes in Northeast Georgia Mountains and Lake Chatuge.

Various sites throughout Towns County

Various sites throughout Towns County Hiawassee, 30546 mountaintopga.com | 706-896-4966

December 2-4, 2011

### Winter Wine Highway Weekend

Wine and food pairing, barrel tasting and music. Various locations throughout northeast Georgia georgiawine.com | 813-503-0550

December 2-4, 10-11, 17-18, 2011

# Christmas Wine Celebration at Three Sisters Vineyards

Special tastings will be combined with live music in beautiful holiday surroundings.

439 Vineyard Way, Dahlongga, 30533

439 Vineyard Way, Dahlonega, 30533 threesistersvineyards.com | 706-865-9463

# (January 2012)



### December 3, 2011

### Deck the Halls at Unicoi

Holiday crafts, hayrides (weather permitting), visits with Santa and Mrs. Claus, a special meal in the park's restaurant and live music

Unicoi State Park

1788 GA Hwy. 356, Helen, 30545 georgiastateparks.org/unicoi I 706-878-2201

December 3, 2011

### Historic Moonshine Highway Holiday Tour

All the businesses along GA 197 will have open houses and will be selling special collective holiday ornaments made by the potters on Scenic 197.

Scenic 197, Clarkesville, 30523 scenic 197.org | 706-947-1351

December 9-10, 2011

### **Christmas in Cumming Arts & Crafts Festival**

Cumming Fairgrounds, Cumming, 30041 cummingfair.net | 706-781-3491



# **Plantation Trace**

December 3, 2011

### **Holiday Open House & Festival**

Holiday shopping, street vendors, horse-drawn carriages, visits with Santa, ice-skating rink, live entertainment, community Christmas parade and more.
Downtown Valdosta, 31601
valdostamainstreet.com | 229-259-3577

December 8-9, 2011

### Victorian Christmas in Thomasville

Horse-drawn carriages, strolling carolers, holiday shopping, dancers, musicians, museums, holiday delicacies and St. Nicholas

Downtown Thomasville, 31792 downtownthomasville.com | 866-577-3600

December 10, 2011

### Victorian Christmas

Live entertainment, demonstrations, syrup cooking, dessert sampler, train rides, hayrides and Santa Claus. Georgia Museum of Agriculture, Tifton, 31793 agrirama.com | 229-391-5200



# **Presidential Pathways**

December 1-3, 2011

### Journey to the Manger

Experience a reenactment of the first Christmas. Walk through Bethlehem, meet the wise men and see a live nativity. Free.

The Rock Ranch, The Rock, 30285 therockranch.com | 706-647-6374

December 1-3, 2011

### Victorian Holiday Open House at Port Columbus

Visit with a Civil War–era Santa Claus and see the museum decorated in traditional Victorian style. 1002 Victory Dr., Columbus, 31901 portcolumbus.org | 706-327-9798

# January 2012



January 1-February 28, 2012

### **Island Treasures**

Jekyll Island commissions a group of highly skilled artisans to create an array of stunning, hand-worked glass globes. 100 James Rd., Jekyll Island, 31527 jekyllisland.com/islandtreasures I 877-4JEKYLL

January 28, 2012

# Sunbury and the War Between the States at Fort Morris

Observe a Confederate encampment, musket drills, soldier talks and cannon demonstrations. 2559 Ft. Morris Rd., Midway, 31320 georgiastateparks.org | 912-884-5999



# **Classic South**

January 14-15, 2012

### **Dulcimer Jam at Mistletoe**

This beautiful folk instrument is one of the easiest to play. Join in hands-on demonstrations and you will soon be sounding like a pro.

3725 Mistletoe Rd., Appling, 30802 georgiastateparks.org | 800-864-7275

January 20-28, 2012

### Augusta Cutting Horse Futurity

Features horses and their riders working to cut and isolate a cow from the herd.
601 Seventh St., Augusta, 30901

augustafuturity.com | 706-722-3521



# **Magnolia Midlands**

January 26, 2012

# Club Swing

This was once the hottest spot to see great entertainment. Now, the wrecking ball is poised to strike Club Swing down. Can Joe Sullivan, the club's former mixologist, prevent this tragedy from occurring? Five By Design enchants audiences all the way to the blockbuster finale.

Averitt Center for the Arts.

33 E. Main St., Statesboro, 30458 averittcenterforthearts.org | 912-212-2787



# **Northeast Mountains**

January 1, 2012

### **Polar Bear Swim**

Be a brave soul at the Lake Lanier Olympic venue and take an icy plunge into the frigid waters. Lanier Canoe & Kayak Club 3105 Clarks Bridge Rd., Gainesville, 30506 lckc.org | 770-287-7888





January 28, 2012

## Rattlesnake Round-Up

More than 40 years old and attracting approximately 40.000 visitors. Rattlesnake Grounds

Hwy. 84, Whigham, 39897 bainbridgega.com/chamber/rattlesnake.shtml 229-377-3663



## **Presidential Pathways**

January 1-31, 2012

## Free admission at Callaway Gardens

Explore a Winter Garden and enjoy Callaway Gardens when everything looks and sounds different. Callaway Gardens, Pine Mountain, 31822 callawaygardens.org | 800-CALLAWAY

January 27-29, 2012

## 25th Annual Southern Gardening Symposium

A one-stop gardening marketplace featuring workshops and auctions for unique plants and garden items. Callaway Gardens, Pine Mountain, 31822 callawaygardens.org | 800-CALLAWAY

## February 2012



## Atlanta Metro

February 2, 2012

## **Groundhog Day at the Yellow River Game Ranch**

Thousands gather to hear General Beauregard Lee's annual prediction.

4525 Stone Mountain Hwy., Lilburn, 30047 yellowrivergameranch.com | 770-972-6643

February 6-26, 2012

## 12th Annual Atlanta Jewish Film Festival

The largest film festival in Atlanta showcases an international collection of narrative and documentary films exploring Jewish life, culture and history. 9700 Medlock Bridge Rd., Johns Creek, 30097 ajff.org | 770-814-0768



February 1-12, 2012

## 23rd Annual Savannah Black Heritage Festival

Exposure to the performing and visual arts as well as ethnic cuisine and crafts; fun and family are emphasized. 101 E. Bay St., Savannah, 31401 savannahblackheritagefestival.com | 877-728-2662

# February 2012)

February 3-4, 2012

#### Colonial Faire & Muster

Learn about colonial Georgia during the 18th century with a military encampment and craft demonstrations. 7601 Skidaway Rd., Savannah, 31406 georgiastateparks.org | 912-353-3023

February 3-5, 2012

## 5th Annual Savannah Book Festival

World-class literary event bringing dozens of acclaimed authors and thousands of readers together. 101 E. Bay St., Savannah, 31401 savannahbookfestival.org | 877-728-2662

February 10-11, 2012

## 2011 Mardi Gras Tybee - Tybee Island

Encompasses the traditions of Mardi Gras, an event with origins dating back to the ancient Romans. 802 First St., Tybee Island, 31328 tybeevisit.com | 800-868-2322

February 11, 2012

## Wings Over the Swamp

Something for everyone. The stars of the show are sandhill cranes.

Okefenokee National Wildlife Refuge, Folkston, 31537 fws.gov/okefenokee | 912-496-7836

February 18, 2012

## Arbor Day Festival at Melon Bluff

Melon Bluff Heritage & Nature Center 2999 Islands Hwy., Midway, 31320 melonbluff.com | 888-246-8188

February 18, 2012

## Fort Frederica Festival

This family-oriented festival is a wonderful way to discover Georgia's early colonial history. Fort Frederica National Monument 6515 Frederica Rd., St. Simons Island, 31522 nps.gov/fofr | 912-638-3639

February 18-19, 2012

## 20th Annual Savannah Irish Festival

Four stages of continuous entertainment bring fun for the entire family throughout the weekend. 101 E. Bay St., Savannah, 31401 savannahirish.org | 877-728-2662



# Classic South

February 11-12, 2012

## **Battle of Kettle Creek**

This battle, fought on Feb. 14, 1779, was one of the most important in the Revolutionary War in Georgia. Each year a reenactment is held at the battle site. Washington, 30673

washingtonwilkes.org | 706-678-2013



February 23-25, 2012

## Georgia National Rodeo

Specialty acts plus cowboys and cowgirls from across the country competing in several different events. 401 Larry Walker Pkwy., Perry, 31069 gnfa.com | 478-387-3247

# (March 2012)





## **Historic High Country**

February 4-5, 2012

## Chickamauga Civil War Show & Sale

Show features more than 400 tables of Civil War collectibles in one hall with acres of free parking. 2211 Dug Gap Battle Rd., Dalton, 30720 daltontradecenter.com | 800-824-7469



## **Northeast Mountains**

February 4-5, 11-12, 18-19, 2012

## Wine & Chocolate Lovers' Celebration

## at Three Sisters Vineyards

Event includes a barrel tasting, large souvenir wine glass, special chocolates and treats. 439 Vineyard Way, Dahlonega, 30533 threesistersvineyards.com | 706-865-9463

February 18-19, 2012

## Fireside Arts & Crafts Show

More than 60 of the Southeast's finest artists and craftspeople. This juried show balances fine arts and quality crafts. Unicoi State Park and Lodge 1788 Hwy. 356, Helen, 30545 georgiastateparks.org, helenga.org 706-878-2201, ext. 501



## **Plantation Trace**

February 23-26, 2012

## Thomasville Antiques Show and Sale

Dealers showcase antique furniture, paintings, rugs, jewelry, tableware, accessories and collectibles. Exchange Club Fairgrounds State Rd. 122 E, Thomasville, 31792 thomasvilleantiquesshow.com I 229-225-9354



## **Presidential Pathways**

February 1-28, 2012

## Free Admission at Callaway Gardens

Explore a Winter Garden and enjoy Callaway Gardens when everything looks and sounds different. Callaway Gardens, Pine Mountain, 31822 callawaygardens.org | 800-CALLAWAY

February 10-13, 2012

## **Great Backyard Bird Count**

FDR was an avid bird collector in his youth, and guests can join in the Great Backyard Bird Count.
Rosevelt's Little White House Historic Site
401 Little White House Rd., Warm Springs, 31830 audubon.org/gbbc/index.shtml

February 21, 2012

# Founders Day and Free Admission at Callaway Gardens

In memory of its founder, Callaway Gardens welcomes the public to visit for free on Virginia Callaway's birthday. Callaway Gardens, Pine Mountain, 31822 callawaygardens.com | 800-CALLAWAY

## March 2012



## Atlanta Metro

March 10-18, 2012

## **Great American Cover-Up Annual Quilt Show**

More than 200 antique and contemporary quilts as well as demonstrations and programs at historic Bulloch Hall. 180 Bulloch Ave., Roswell, 30075 bullochhall.org | 770-992-1731

March 17, 2012

## **Yellow Pollen Street Festival**

Recognize and celebrate pollen with a festival of food and craft.

Historic Downtown Hampton, 30228 cityofhampton-ga.gov | 770-897-0520



## Coast

March 1-4, 2012

## Skidaway Island Antiques Show and Sale

Fine antiques, delicious food and spring flowers. St. Peter's Episcopal Church 3 W. Ridge Rd., Savannah, 31411 stpeterssavannah.org/pageview.aspx?pageid=92 912-598-7242

March 3, 2012

## 15th Annual Collard Greens Festival

A parade, Collards 'n' Cornbread Cook-Off, barbecue, games and family fun. Promised Land Farm, Monteith, 31407 visitportwentworth.com | 912-224-1199

March 3, 2012

#### Azalea Festival

Arts and crafts country store; flowering trees and plants will be available for purchase.

St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Waycross, 31501

912-283-3744

## March 9-11, 2012 Jekyll Island Art Festival

Members of the Jekyll Island Arts Association showcase their works of art. Goodyear Cottage, Jekyll Island, 31527 jekyllisland.com | 877-4JEKYLL

March 10, 2012

## Tara Feis Irish Celebration

Family-friendly, outdoor celebration of all things Irish, featuring two stages of live entertainment, food, arts and crafts and children's activities.

Emmet Park, Savannah, 31401
savannahga.gov/arts | 912-651-6417

March 10-12, 2012

## Celebrate Girl Scout Week [Free Tour]

Special exhibit of historical Girl Scout uniforms and sampling of Girl Scout cookies.

10 E. Oglethorpe Ave.
(Corner of Bull St. and Oglethorpe Ave.)
Savannah, 31401
juliettegordonlowbirthplace.org | 912-233-4502



# (March 2012)

March 13, 2012

## Sheep to Shawl

Observe and participate in the creation of a shawl from sheep shearing, weaving and dying of wool; also pony rides, hayrides and food.
711 Sandtown Rd., Savannah, 31410 oatlandisland.org | 912-395-1212

March 16-17, 2012

## St. Patrick's Celebration on the River

It's the wearing, drinking, eating and celebrating of the green on historic River Street.

Savannah, 31401

Savaririari, S1401

riverstreetsavannah.com | 912-234-0295

March 17, 2012

## "Run About in the Royal District" Auto Show

Auto display and show. Downtown Kingsland, 31548 kingslanddda.com | 912-729-2848

March 17, 2012

## Scottish Heritage Day Encampment

Living history demonstrations portraying colonial and particularly Scottish culture; also battle reenactment. Fort King George Historic Site, Darien, 31305 912-437-4770

March 17, 2012

## **Yellow Pollen Street Festival**

Celebrating the onset of spring with food, arts, crafts, kids activities and fun run. Hampton, 30228 visithenrycountygeorgia.com

March 18, 2012

## Jazz 'n' Arts on the Satilla Riverwalk

Jazz and fine art exhibits on the Satilla Riverwalk. Woodbine, 31569 912-576-1162

March 19-April 18, 2012

## Spring Steam Days at the Roundhouse

Catch a ride on the passenger car powered by our diesel engine. Rides offered on Saturdays and Sundays only. 301 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., Savannah, 31401 chsgeorgia.org | 912-651-6840

March 20, 2012

## Christ Church 57th Annual Tour of Homes

View homes and gardens on both Sea Island and St. Simons Island, featuring styles ranging from low-country, Old South plantations to old world European estates. 4 Glynn Ave., Brunswick, 31520

christchurchtourofhomes.org | 912-265-0620

March 20, 2012

#### Go-pher a Carnival

Carnival games, prizes, face painting, hayrides and pony rides, scavenger hunts, music, food and animals. 52 Diamond Cswy., Savannah, 31411 georgiastateparks.org/info/skidaway 912-598-2300

March 22-25, 2012

## 77th Savannah Tour of Homes and Gardens

Offers a rare opportunity to enter some of Savannah's finest private homes. 101 E. Bay St., Savannah, 31401 savannahtourofhomes.org I 877-728-2662

March 22-April 7, 2012

## Savannah Music Festival

A 17-day music extravaganza with world-class artists from all musical genres.

Downtown Savannah, 31401
savannahmusicfestival.org | 912-234-3378

March 24, 2012

## St. Patrick's Day Celebration

Parade and all-day entertainment. Shellman Bluff Rd., Shellman Bluff, 31331 thefriendsofshellmanbluff.org



## Classic South

March 17, 2012

## Lake Oconee Builders Association Home & Garden Show

Home and garden ideas and displays and a classic antique car show.

Greene County Public Service Campus Greensboro, 30642 lakeoconeehomeshow.com | 706-999-1591

March 30-31, 2012

## Washington-Wilkes Spring Tour of Homes

This tour of homes features at least 10 homes throughout the weekend.

Washington, 30673

wwtourofhomes.com | 706-678-2013



## **Historic Heartland**

March 10-11, 2012

## 25th Annual Forsythia Festival

Arts and crafts featuring one-of-a-kind art, food and activities for children.

Johnston St., Downtown Forsyth, 31029

forsythiafestival.com | 888-642-4628

March 16-26, 2012

## International Cherry Blossom Festival

Hot-air balloons, colorful parades, historic tours, a sea lion show, fireworks displays and amusement rides for all ages. Macon, 31201

cherryblossom.com | 478-751-7429

March 24-25, 2012

## 31st Annual Cherry Blossom Festival of Conyers

Visual arts and crafts, continuous performances and a variety of food. 1996 Centennial Olympic Pkwy., Conyers, 30013 conyerscherryblossomfest.com | 770-602-2606



## **Magnolia Midlands**

March 9-10, 2012

## Peaches to the Beaches Yard Sale

Yard sale stretching 200-plus miles from middle Georgia to Brunswick and the Golden Isles. Hwy. 341, Baxley, 31513 peachestothebeaches.com | 912-367-7731

# March 2012)



March 10-12, 2012

## **Home & Garden Showcase**

Home and garden show complete with demonstrations and vendors. 200 S. Madison Ave., Douglas, 31533

cityofdouglas.com | 912-384-4555

March 17, 2012

## Spring Bling Fling Thing

Kite flying, bubble blowing, flower planting, birdhouse making and nature walking at Little Ocmulgee State Park. 80 Live Oak Trail, Helena, 31037 georgiastateparks.org | 229-868-7474

March 17-18, 2012

## St. Patrick's Festival

Festival includes a hot-air balloon fest, parade, arts, crafts, leprechaun contest and road race.

Downtown Dublin, 31021

saintpatricksfestival.com | 478-272-5766



## **Historic High Country**

March 8-11, 2012

## 9th Annual Southeastern Cowboy Gathering

Live cowboy music, cowboy poetry, chuck wagon, Dutchoven cooking and other family activities. 501 Museum Dr., Cartersville, 30120 boothmuseum.org | 770-387-1300

March 17, 2012

## Artifact Identification Day

Professional archaeologist will be available to date and identify artifacts brought in by visitors. 813 Indian Mounds Rd., Cartersville, 30120 georgiastateparks.org | 770-387-3747

March 17-18, 2012

## Shamrock City

Fifth annual Irish celebration and festival featuring Irish music, food and entertainment. 1400 Patten Rd., Lookout Mountain, 30750 seerockcity.com/shamrockcity | 706-820-2531



March 16-17, 2012

## Top of Georgia Bluegrass Jamboree

A weekend of bluegrass music at the Dillard House. 762 Franklin St., Dillard, 30537 gabluegrassjamboree.com I 706-746-2690

March 17-18, 2012

#### St. Patty's Day Wine Celebration

Live Irish music by Mulligan Stew, complimentary tasting, plus paid "Vintner's Tasting" and sampling of Sweet Grass cheeses.

Three Sisters Vineyards & Winery 439 Vineyard Way, Dahlonega, 30533 threesistersvineyards.com | 706-865-9463 March 21-26, 2012

## Fort Yargo Colonial Market Faire

This 18th-century living-history event will feature persons dressed in 18th-century fashion and proprietors of fine wares.

210 S. Broad St., Winder, 30680 georgiastateparks.org | 770-867-3489

March 23-25, 2012

## Spring Wine Highway Weekend

Enjoy unique open-house-format events with wine and food pairings, music, barrel tastings, discounts, drawings and other special attractions. Various wineries throughout northeast Georgia

georgiawine.com/events/wine-highway-weekend 706-878-9463

March 31, 2012

## Magical Easter Eggstravaganza

Easter Bunny Breakfast, arts and crafts festival, dancing, Cabbage Patch Kids costume characters, prize drawings and an Easter Egg hunt.

300 NOK Dr., Cleveland, 30528

whitecountychamber.org/babyland-general I 706-865-2171



March 1-3, 2012

## Azalea International Folk Fair of Valdosta

Food, games, puzzles, bazaar, arts and crafts. Valdosta-Lowndes Conference Center Valdosta, 31601 gainternationalfolkfair.org

March 1-31, 2012

## Swamp Gravy (Georgia's Official Folk Life Play)

An original, crowd-pleasing blend of comedy, drama and music featuring a cast of volunteers who transform Southern life into unforgettable theater.

Cotton Hall Theatre 166 Main St., Colquitt, 39837 swampgravy.com | 229-758-5450

March 2-4, 2012

## Rock, Roll & Run in Downtown Albany

Festivities include a music festival with live bands, vendors. kids activities, running expo, marathon and half-marathon, bicycle races and Flint RiverQuarium Turtle Race. 112 N. Front St., Albany, 31701 visitalbanyga.com | 229-317-4760

March 10-11 2012

## Valdosta-Lowndes Azalea Festival

Arts and crafts, food, roaming entertainers, a Native American village and Robinson's Racing Pigs. Drexel Park, Valdosta, 31603 azaleafestival.com | 229-269-9381

March 17, 2012

## Fitzgerald's Wild Chicken Festival

Arts and crafts festival that includes a crowing contest, chicken safari rides and activities for kids. Downtown Historic Fitzgerald, 31750 wildchickenfestival.com | 800-386-4642

March 17-18, 2012

## Calico Spring Arts and Crafts Show

More than 300 booths of homemade arts and crafts. 290-G Harper Blvd., Moultrie, 31788 calicocrafts.com | 229-985-1968



March 23-24, 2012

## 91st Annual Standard Flower Show in Thomasville, Georgia

Featuring a wide variety of prized flowers from the region's expert gardeners.

Thomasville, 31792 thomasvillega.com

March 24-25, 2012

#### Fire Ant Festival

Fire-ant-calling contest, the Fire Ant Fling, giant fire ant maze, carnival, car show, arts and crafts, fireworks and drive-in movie.

Downtown Ashburn, 31714 fireantfestival.com | 229-567-9696

March 31, 2012

## 4th Annual Peanut Proud Festival

A celebration in peanut country with live entertainment, a parade, 5K run, arts and crafts, vendors, car show, and a street dance.

Blakely, 39823

peanutproud.org | 229-723-2802

March 31, 2012

## Arts in Black Festival

Explore and honor African American culture. Fulwood Park, Tifton, 31794 tiftontourism.com, tiftonartsinblack.com 229-556-7408



## **Presidential Pathways**

March 2-4, 2012

## Azalea Storytelling Festival

Storytelling, music and more. Callaway Auditorium, LaGrange, 30240 lagrange.edu/azalea | 706-880-8204

March 10-11, 2012

#### RiverRlast!

Featuring some new activities for the living-history crew and volunteers at Port Columbus. 1002 Victory Dr., Columbus, 31901 portcolumbus.org | 706-327-9798

## March 17-18, 2012

#### Thunder in the Valley Air Show

Offering aerial performances, airplane and helicopter rides, military ground displays and a children's carnival. Columbus Airport, Columbus, 31904

thunderinthevalleyairshow.com | 706-393-3000

March 23-25, 2012

## Antique Dogwood Festival

Antiques dealers gather from across the state. A variety of antique merchandise, from coin collections and Civil War memorabilia to furniture. Downtown Leslie, 31764

therealgeorgia.com | 229-928-6059

March 23-26, 2012

## Callaway Gardens Annual Plant Fair and Sale

Approximately 20 vendors from the area and surrounding states bring a wide variety of plants and unique garden items. Free admission to Plant Fair. Callaway Gardens, Pine Mountain, 31822

callawaygardens.com | 800-CALLAWAY

## March 24, 2012

## **Turkey Day Festival**

Celebrate the opening day of turkey season with food and fun for the whole family. Oglethorpe, 31068 maconcountyga.org | 478-472-2391

March 25-April 22, 2012

## Celebrate Spring! At Callaway Gardens

Thousands of azaleas, mountain laurel, dogwoods and daffodils in bloom provide the backdrop for hands-on activities, workshops and guided hikes. Callaway Gardens, Pine Mountain, 31822 callawaygardens.com | 800-CALLAWAY

## April 2012

Many communities hold activities celebrating Easter. Please visit ExploreGeorgia.org for events and dates.



## **Atlanta Metro**

April 6-14, 2012

## Stone Mountain Park's Spring FUN Break

Activities include an all-new Laughing Pizza live show, new family improv show, visits with the Easter Bunny, parade, storytelling and more.

Crossroads®, Stone Mountain, 30086 stonemountainpark.com | 770-498-5690

April 7, 2012

## **Taste of Clayton**

More than 30 food exhibitors, live entertainment, and children's activities in downtown Jonesboro. 104 N. Main St., Jonesboro, 30236 visitscarlett.com

April 14, 2012

## History Live! Sheep to Shawl

Sheep wool is washed, carded, spun, dyed and woven into a beautiful shawl. Atlanta History Center

130 W. Paces Ferry Rd., Atlanta, 30305 atlantahistorycenter.com | 404-814-4000

April 15-May 15, 2012

#### **ARTSSpring**

A monthlong celebration of the arts, including theater, music and sculpture.

Various locations throughout Sandy Springs Sandy Springs, 30328

artsandysprings.org | 770-206-1447

April 19-22, 2012

#### Lemonade Days

Bigger and better this year with more food choices, activities and rides. Brook Run Park

4770 N. Peachtree Rd., Dunwoody, 30338 dunwoodypreservationtrust.org



April 20-22, 2012

## **Atlanta Dogwood Festival**

The Atlanta Dogwood Festival features free admission, the Artist Market, live music, interactive entertainment and family fun at Piedmont Park.

1071 Piedmont Ave., Atlanta, 30309 dogwood.org | 404-876-4024

April 21-22, 2012

## 8th Annual Alpharetta Arts StreetFest

Juried fine arts festival, featuring the work of artists from throughout the U.S. as well as blues, jazz and acoustical music and a children's interactive arts experience. Historic Downtown Alpharetta, 30009 awesomealpharetta.com | 678-297-6078

April 21-22, 2012

## 36th Annual Big Shanty Festival

Featuring more than 200 arts and crafts booths. Historic Downtown Kennesaw, 30144 kennesaw.ga.us | 770-424-8274

April 26-29, 2012

## Frontier Days: Georgia Between the Wars

Live demonstrations; mounted cavalry demos, woodworking, campfire cooking, soldiers' camps of the Revolutionary and Civil wars, artillery drills, primitive skills and storytelling. Antebellum Plantation & Farmyard

Stone Mountain, 30086

stonemountainpark.com | 770-498-5690

April 28, 2012

## 14th Annual Touch a Truck

Fire engines, heavy-duty construction equipment, military vehicles, motorcycles, buses and more.

North Park, Alpharetta, 30009

awesomealpharetta.com | 678-297-6133

April 28, 2012

## Classic and Open Car Show

Auto enthusiasts check out their favorite models on display while enjoying entertainment, food and fun. McDonough, 30253 770-898-0311

April 28, 2012

## Highway 78 Yard Sale

Yard sales in downtown Villa Rica and all along Highway 78 from Villa Rica to Bremen and ending in Tallapoosa. Downtown Villa Rica, 30180

villaricatourism.com | 678-840-5959

April 28, 2012

## **Locust Grove Day**

Arts and crafts, food, parade and evening entertainment. 3644 Hwy. 42, Locust Grove, 30248 locustgrove-ga.gov | 770-957-5043

April 28–29, 2012

## **WWII Heritage Days**

Experience the sights and sounds of World War II. Falcon Field Airport, Peachtree City, 30269 dw.squawk1200.net | 678-216-0282

April 29, 2012

## **Historic Roswell Criterium**

Podiums for race winner, lap leader, U25, and overall will be presented.

Canton St., Roswell, 30075

roswellcriterium.com | 800-776-7935

April 29, 2012

## **Taste of Marietta**

Food festival featuring more than 70 restaurants and entertainment throughout the day. Marietta Sq., Marietta, 30060 tasteofmarietta.com | 800-835-0445

April 30-May 1, 2012

#### Spring Jonguil Festival

Showcasing more than 150 artists and crafters from across the country. 200 Village Green Cir., Smyrna, 30080 smyrnacity.com | 770-434-6600



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April 1, 2012

## April Fool's Rod Run

Everything from Model Ts to foreign sports cars. Twin Oaks Park, Hoboken, 31542 aprilfoolsrodrun.com | 912-283-3744

April 5-7, 2012

## Cherokee of Georgia Council Spring Pow Wow

Social event and family reunion, while providing a setting for spiritual enrichment through traditional rituals. St. George, 31562 cherokeeofgeoraia.us | 904-669-6416

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## April 6-7, 2012

## 2012 Swampfest

Concerts, climbing tower, kids games, jumping frogs, arts and crafts, Southern cooking and live theater. Historic Downtown Waycross, 31501 swampfest.us | 912-283-2112

April 14, 2012

#### 21st Annual Art and Sol Art Festival

Art fest, food, entertainment and children's art tent. Postell Park Pier Village, St. Simons Island, 31522 glynnart.org | 912-638-8770

April 14, 2012

## **Annual Rail Watch Day**

Trains on the screen, trains on the tracks. Folkston Funnel | Downtown Folkston, 31537 folkston.com/events.htm | 912-496-2536

April 20-22, 2012

## 44th Annual Blessing of the Fleet

Parade, 5K run, live music, antique car show, art in the park and an old-fashioned blessing. Downtown Darien, 31305 blessingofthefleet.com I 912-437-6684

April 21, 2012

## 4th Annual Tybee Island Wine Festival

Features 100+ wines from around the world, morsels from some of Tybee's finest restaurants and entertainment. 802 First St., Tybee Island, 31328 tybeevisit.com | 800-868-2322

April 21, 2012

## The Gathering at Geechee Kunda

A day of honoring, teaching, remembering and celebrating a culture on sacred soil. Education, entertainment, food, art, history, culture and more. 622 Ways Temple Rd. at Hwy. 17, Riceboro, 31323 geecheekunda.com | 912-884-4440



April 27-28, 2012

#### 27th Annual Crawfish Festival

Children's amusements, arts and crafts, cloggers, square dancers and live bands.

Downtown Woodbine, 31569

woodbinegeorgia.net, woodbinecrawfish.com

912-576-3211

## April 27–28, 2012 Garden Club of Savannah 37th Annual Tour

## of Hidden Gardens

The walking tour includes eight walled, private gardens in Savannah's famed Historic District. 101 E. Bay St., Savannah, 31401 gcofsavnogstour.org | 877-728-2662

April 27-28, 2012

## Savannah Garden Exposition

Full-size exhibition gardens, demonstrations by experts, children's activities and a market with growers and gardenrelated merchandise.

Roundhouse Railroad Museum 601 W. Harris St., Savannah, 31401 savannahgardenexpo.com/index.html 912-236-4795

April 27-29, 2012

## Fine Arts on the River Festival: Mercer on the River

Art, demonstrations and children's crafts; jazz, blues and symphony.

Historic River St., Savannah, 31401 riverstreetsavannah.com I 912-234-0295

April 28, 2012

## Stand Up for America Day

Parade, music, arts, crafts, food and kiddie rides. Gospel music by Eternal Vision and sensational sounds of Motown

Cantyre Festival Grounds, Port Wentworth, 31407 visitportwentworth.com | 912-966-7428

April 30, 2012

## Savannah River Spring Classic

Parade, free kiddie rides, arts and crafts and music. Fishing tournament participants compete for 15 cash prizes. Houlihan Boat Dock, Port Wentworth, 31407 visitportwentworth.com | 912-965-1999

April 30, 2012

## **SCAD Sidewalk Arts Festival**

The annual festival offers a student and alumni chalk art competition; youth drawing area for young artists. 101 E. Bay St., Savannah, 31401 scad.edu I 877-728-2662



April 15, 2012

## Best Dam Ride Ever

This annual, beautiful 58-mile ride around Clarks Hill Lake is fun for the whole family.

J. Strom Thurmond Dam at Clarks Hill chainreactionbicycles.net/page.cfm?pageid=37 706-855-2024

April 21, 2012

## **Southland Jubilee**

This festival features arts and crafts, food and entertainment. Fun for the whole family.

Downtown Greensboro, 30642

greenecoc.org | 706-453-7592

April 21-22, 2012

## Washington-Wilkes Spring Music Festival

This spring arts festival features all types of music entertainment.

Downtown Washington, 30673

April 27-29, 2012

## **Graves Mountain Rock Swap and Dig**

washingtonwilkesarts.org | 706-318-8190

Dig for gems. Great for all ages. US Hwy. 378, LincoInton, 30817 gamineral.org/commercial-gravesmountain.htm 706-401-3173

April 27-29, 2012

#### Sacred Heart Garden Festival

The 19th annual garden festival will focus on classic Southern gardens, displays and workshops. Sacred Heart Cultural Center 1301 Greene St., Augusta, 30901 sacredheartgardenfestival.com | 706-826-4700

April 28, 2012

## Car Show at the Depot

Classic car show featuring antique and collectible autos, cars and trucks.
111 Railroad St., Thomson, 30824
exploremcduffiecounty.com | 706-597-1000

April 28, 2012

## **Grovetown Heritage Festival**

Food, vendors, games, crafts, a car show and live entertainment for the whole family. Grovetown, 30813 cityofgrovetown.com



## **Historic Heartland**

April 7, 2012

# 12th Annual Bluebirds and Bluegrass Festival at Dauset Trails Nature Center

This free, fun-filled event offers something for the entire family. 360 Mt. Vernon Rd., Jackson, 30233 dausettrails.com | 770-775-6798

April 8, 2012

## 17th Annual Classic City Brew Fest

The Southeast's premier indoor beer festival features almost 200 beers for sampling, including gourmet beer available in Georgia for the first time. 295 E. Dougherty St., Athens, 30601 classicitybrew.com | 866-9ATHENS

April 13-22, 2012

## 7th Annual Fired Works:

## A Regional Ceramics Exhibition & Sale

Features work by the largest group of functional and sculptural ceramic artists from across the state. Macon, 31201 maconarts.org



April 14, 2012

## **UGA International Street Festival**

An annual festival of cultural displays, traditional costumes. dances and international bands. College Sq., Downtown Athens, 30601 uga.edu/isl/events.htm | 706-542-5867

April 14-15, 2012

## 24th Annual Perry Dogwood Festival

Arts and crafts, kids rides, 5K road race, motorcycle show, Perry Idol and food. Perry, 31069

perrydogwoodfestival.com | 478-987-1234

April 18-22, 2012

## Antebellum Trail Pilgrimage

As you travel down the trail, you will enter a magical place where time has stood still. 305 N. Madison Ave., Eatonton, 31024

atpilgrimage.com | 706-485-7701

April 20-22, 2012

## **BRAG Spring Tune-Up Ride Heritage Park**

Bike Ride Across Georgia brings back nearly 1,000 participants to ride throughout Madison and Morgan counties. 1000 Heritage Park Cir., Madison, 30650 madisonga.org

April 21, 2012

## 19th Annual Piedmont Gardeners' Garden Tour

This spring garden tour is sponsored and presented by The Piedmont Gardeners. Five gardens will be featured. Athens, 30601

visitsathensga.com | 706-548-5760

April 21, 2012

## **NAACP Parade & Festival**

The NAACP presents its annual parade and festival in downtown Madison 115 E. Jefferson St., Madison, 30650

madisonga.org | 800-709-7406

April 21-22, 2012

## **Mossy Creek Barnyard Festival**

Bluegrass bands; gospel; dance teams; fine arts and crafts; children's activities such as storytelling, horseback rides and magicians.

Lake Joy Rd., Perry, 31069

mossycreekfestival.com | 888-288-9742

April 27-28, 2012

## Twilight Criterium and Festival

Sports, music, festival fun, men's and women's criteriuma cycling race through the streets of downtown. Downtown Athens, 30601 athenstwilight.com | 706-549-6632

April 28, 2012

## **EquiFest**

Celebration of rural life; garden section; equestrian events, demonstrations and vendors.

Morgan County Ag-Center, Madison, 30650 madisonga.org | 800-709-7406

April 28, 2012

#### Madison Fest

Arts and crafts festival, live entertainment and vendors. Downtown Madison, 30650 madisonga.com | 800-709-7406

April 28-29, 2012

## 16th Annual Pan African Festival of Georgia

This weekend community event celebrates African influences from around the world. 450 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., Macon, 31201

tubmanmuseum.com i 800-768-3401

## April 30-May 8, 2012 Georgia State Fair

The fair features rides, exhibits, music, food and entertainment for everyone. Central City Park

Historic Downtown Macon, 31201 georgiastatefair.org



April 7, 2012

## **Another Bloomin' Festival**

The festival includes a motorcycle ride, a flower show, an Easter egg hunt and more. 1210 S. Lewis St., Metter, 30439

April 13-14, 2012

## 22nd Annual Baxley Tree Fest

metter-candler.com | 912-685-2159

Car show, street dance, bed race, live music and live stunt show.

305 W. Parker St., Baxley, 31513 baxley.org | 912-367-7731

April 13-15 and 20-22, 2012

#### Tales from the Altamaha

A collection of stories is drawn from more than 800 manuscripts written by Col. T. Ross Sharpe. Downtown Lyons, 30436 talesfromthealtamaha.com | 912-526-6445

April 19-22, 2012

#### 35th Annual Vidalia Onion Festival

Vidalia celebrates the harvest of Georgia's official state vegetable, the internationally famous Vidalia sweet onion. 100 Vidalia Sweet Onion Dr., Vidalia, 30474 vidaliaonionfestival.com | 912-538-8687

April 21, 2012

## Spring Fling

Nature activities and presentations on plants and animals found in the park and surrounding area; hands-on activities for kids.

46 John Coffee Rd., Nicholls, 31554 georgiastateparks.org | 912-384-7082

April 21-22, 2012

## **Hawkinsville Harness Festival**

Harness horse racing, arts and crafts, food, children's activities, live entertainment and Middle Georgia Miniature Horse Show.

Lawrence Bennett Harness Training Center Hwy. 129 S., Hawkinsville, 31036 hawkinsvillechamber.org | 478-783-1717





## **Historic High Country**

April 14, 2012

## Atlanta Steeplechase

Tailgating, picnicking, live music, air show, petting zoo, pony rides and steeplechase horse racing. Kingston Downs on US 411 Cartersville, 30120 atlantasteeplechase.org | 800-733-2280

April 14, 2012

## Blue Ridge Mountain Adventure Race

Up to 75 coed teams run, paddle, mountain bike and navigate in the beautiful North Georgia Mountains. Blue Ridge, 30513

adventureracega.com | 800-899-6867

April 14, 2012

#### **Dogwood Arts and Crafts Fair**

Parade, food and craft vendors and entertainment all day long. Downtown Tallapoosa, 30176

April 21-22, 2012

## Antiques & Arts in Adairsville

visitharalson.org | 770-630-8946

Georgia's first city to be listed in its entirety on the National Register of Historic Places welcomes top antiques dealers and artists for this two-day festival. 101 Public Sq., Adairsville, 30103 adairsvilleinapril.com | 800-733-2280

April 21-22, 2012

## **Blue Ridge Spring Fest**

Annual arts and crafts sale featuring live entertainment and free admission at the Blue Ridge Farmers Market. Blue Ridge, 30513

April 21-22, 2012

## Jasper ArtFest

Juried fine arts festival featuring work from more than 60 artists, performing arts, children's art activities and more. Jasper, 30143

April 26-29, 2012

## Clocktower Classic Handcycling Races

U.S. and international athletes compete in three races over three days.

Rome, 30161 romegeorgia.org

April 28, 2012

## More Than a Taste of Calhoun

Food, free music, arts and crafts, and storytellers for all ages.

300 S. Wall St., Calhoun, 30701 exploregordoncounty.com | 706-625-3200



April 13-14, 2012

## **Foxfire Living History Days**

Blacksmith, quilting bee, teaching and preaching in the chapel, and homeschoolers dressed in 1800s period costumes at Foxfire Museum & Heritage Center. 200 Foxfire Ln., Mountain City, 30562 foxfire.org | 706-746-5828, 706-782-4812

April 14-15, 2012

## Bear on the Square Festival

Enjoy bluegrass and old-time music, Appalachian handmade arts and crafts, and onstage performances. Downtown Dahlonega, 30533 bearonthesquare.org | 706-348-1370, 706-864-3711

April 14-15, 2012

## **Bowman Big Iron Crank-Up Festival**

Antique engines, arts and crafts, food, yard sales and children's activities. Bowman Park, Bowman, 30624 706-245-5432

April 21, 2012

## Earth Day Celebration at Crane Creek

Workshops and demos on different activities and acoustic live music

916 Crane Creek Rd., Young Harris, 30582 cranecreekvineyards.com 706-379-1236

April 21, 2012

## **Hartwell Antique Boat Festival**

Gathering of more than 50 antique and classic wood boats at Hartwell Marina. 149 Hartwell Marina Rd., Hartwell, 30643 706-376-5441

April 28, 2012

#### Spring Chicken Festival

Annual celebration honoring Gainesville's status as Poultry Capital of the World. Downtown Sq., Gainesville, 30501 chickencitycookoff.com I 770-531-1102

April 28-29, 2012

## Celebrate Clayton

Rabun County's music and arts fest. 48 Main St., Clayton, 30525 celebrateclayton.com | 706-212-0241, 706-782-4812



## **Plantation Trace**

April 7, 2012

## 22nd Annual Boston Spring Fling,

#### Auction and Cook-Off

Arts, crafts and food vendors set up on Main Street. Events include an Easter bonnet contest, parade and egg hunt, "Best BBQ Butt in Boston Cook-Off" and more. Boston, 31626

bostonga.com/events | 229-224-6201

April 14, 2012

## Folk Life Festival, Fiddlers Jamboree & Quilt Show

Experience past living traditions and artisan works with demonstrations from regional craftsmen; hear fiddlers from all over the state and country. Georgia Museum of Agriculture, Tifton, 31793

agrirama.com | 229-391-5200

April 14, 2012

## **National Grits Festival**

Live entertainment, food, crafts, pony rides, Quaker® Grits eating and cooking events, and antique tractor and antique car show.

Town Sq., Warwick, 31796 gritsfest.com | 229-869-5550



April 20-21, 2012

## Tifton Auto Show: Going Hog Wild Car and Truck Show

Unique cars and trucks from all generations. University of Georgia Tifton Campus Conference Center Tifton, 31794 tiftareaautoclub.com | 229-386-3416

April 23, 2012

## **Confederate Memorial Day**

Reenactment; living history. 338 Jeff Davis Park Rd., Fitzgerald, 31750 georgiastateparks.org I 229-831-2335

April 23-24, 2012

#### Tifton Truck and Tractor Pull

Trucks and tractors of all shapes and sizes pull for cash prizes.

American Legion Fairgrounds, Tifton, 31794 tiftontourism.com | 229-386-0216

April 26-28, 2012

#### 91st Annual Thomasville Rose Show and Festival

Rose parade, live music, food, sports events, arts and crafts and family-oriented street dance.

Downtown Thomasville, 31792
thomasvilleaa.com | 866-577-3600

April 30, 2012

## Milltown Murals Motorcade

Parade of antique autos, vendors, 5K and fun run, mural tours and entertainment.

Lakeland-Lanier Chamber, Lakeland, 31635



## **Presidential Pathways**

April 7, 2012

## Festival by the Lake

Craft vendors, entertainment, food and games. GA Hwy. 39, Omaha, 31821 georgiastateparks.org | 229-838-4706

lakelandlanierchamber.com | 229-482-9755

April 7-8, 2012

## Smoke on the Water BBQ and Bluegrass Festival

Great live music on Friday and Saturday nights. Arts and crafts, jolly jump, pony rides, rock climbing, fishing, horse-shoes, barbecue.

Bickley's Lake, Thomaston, 30268 bbqandbluegrassfestival.com | 706-647-9686 April 13, 2012

## Symphony on the Sand featuring the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra

Enjoy the ASO's music under the stars on a spring night from the shores of Robin Lake at Callaway Gardens. Callaway Gardens, Pine Mountain, 31822 callawaygardens.com | 800-CALLAWAY

April 14-15, 2012

## **FDR Days & Spring Fling**

Parade, entertainment, children's activities and vendors selling handcrafted items.

1 Broad St., Warm Springs, 31830 warmspringsga.ws | 800-337-1927

April 15-22, 2012

## Plein Air Paint Out, Art Show & Sale

Observe well-known artists from across the U.S. as they capture Callaway Gardens in bloom on their canvases. Callaway Gardens, Pine Mountain, 31822 callawaygardens.com | 800-CALLAWAY

April 19-22, 2012

## Southeast Electric Flight Festival

The largest electric model airplane fly-in in the world. 428 Neil Hodges Rd., Andersonville, 31711 fayetteflyers.com | 229-924-9505

April 20-21, 2012

## Spring Swap Meet & Yard Sale

One man's trash is another man's treasure. Come out and see what you can find!
The Rock Ranch, The Rock, 30285
therockranch.com | 706-647-6374

April 21-22, 2012

## Georgia Strawberry Festival

"Jam"-packed with fun for all, including parades, arts and crafts, lawn-mower races and more. Downtown Reynolds, 31076 ga-strawberry.org | 478-847-5301

April 26-28, 2012

## Westville's Spring Days

Spring has sprung at Historic Westville! Enjoy spring activities and fun. Learn how farmers in 1850 took care of their animals and how their animals took care of them. Historic Westville, Lumpkin, 31815 westville.org | 888-733-1850

April 28-29, 2012

## **Mayfling Arts and Crafts Festival**

Arts and crafts festival with food, local entertainment, and fine arts and crafts.

Griffin City Park, Griffin, 30223





# Peach County Chamber of Commerce www.peachchamber.com

Welcome to Georgia's youngest county, established in 1924. We put the peach in Georgial Please visit our website for a complete calendar of Peach County events.

## Peach Festival

## www.worldslargestpeachcobbler.com

June 4–11, 2011 & June 2–9, 2012, Fort Valley and Byron. Home of the World's Largest Peach Cobbler. Concerts, parade, food, peach ice cream, arts and crafts, music and dancing, and fireworks.

# Lane Southern Orchards www.lanesouthernorchards.com

For over a century, Lane Southern Orchards has been dedicated to planting, growing and harvesting the best-tasting peaches and pecans in Georgia. We also carry Indian River Citrus, direct from our groves in Florida. Gifts, gourmet shop, café, and farm tours. Strawbernies (Apr–May), Indian River Citrus (Nov–May), Peaches (May–Mid-Aug), and Pecans (Oct–Jan).

# Georgia Bob's Cane River Vineyard www.georgiabobs.com & www.canerivervineyard.com

Wine Tasting & Shopping: Mon-Sat | 1:00 – 8:00. Step Next Door for True Southern BBQ (open 7 days), Your "One Stop" for A True Southern Experience. Interstate 75 Exit 149 go ¼ mile East. 144 Cane River Drive, Byron, GA.

# Byron Welcome Center www.tourbyron.com

Visit the Cow and a Calf Art Gallery featuring dozens of local artists and Byron Welcome Center located in The Peach Shops at Byron-Interstate 75 to Exit 149. 300 yards north on Highway 49 on left. (Right next to the Big Peach Antique Mall!)

# Battle of Byron www.battleofbyron.com

The Battle of Byron is held each year on the first Saturday in May. The battle consists of a festival of challenges; pie eating, mud volleyball, bed races and much more! The day is filled with entertainment for all ages. For information call (478) 954-4592.

