



SCULPT A SUPERB SOUTHEASTERN STAYCATION THIS FALL WITH THE ATLANTA ARTS FESTIVAL

Travel to Atlanta for the Best Local, Regional and National Pieces in One Weekend

WHAT:	3 rd Annual Atlanta Arts Festival
WHEN:	September 12 – 13, 2009 Saturday, September 12 th / 10 am – 7 pm Sunday, September 13 th / 10 am – 6 pm
WHERE:	Piedmont Park - Atlanta, GA
COST:	FREE

ATLANTA – Whether your vacation budget is 4-star resort or pop-up tent, travel through this fall in high artistic style with the 3rd Annual Atlanta Arts Festival. Voted as one of the top ten art destinations among big cities by readers of *American Style*, Atlanta is a cultural hot spot (April 2009). With 200 of the best local, regional and national artists in 12 mediums all in one place, everyone can afford the best looks in jewelry, sculpture, painting and more on their wish list at the Southeast's favorite art festival. Check out the mock itinerary below for ideas on how to find that perfect piece at any price point. Passport not required!

- ❖ **Economy:** Be one of many visitors to Atlanta, exploring a culturally rich city. The Atlanta Arts Festival recognizes the need to keep the arts alive and help support both the local and national art scene, particularly with the current state of the economy.
- ❖ **Local Atlanta Culture:** Find out how you can further support the local arts arena by visiting the booths of arts and cultural organizations like Muèò Arts, a community dedicated to recovering the important role of arts in our culture and fostering a holistic environment where people are free to explore and thrive in the arts. The Atlanta Arts Festival supports the arts across all disciplines! Be sure to also visit the Woodruff Arts Center, including the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra, The Alliance Theatre, The High Museum of Art and Young Audiences.
- ❖ **Insider Tips:** Discover why the 200 local and national artists were selected by the 6 members of the professional jury. Among the jurors is an artist who has more than 100 awards and honors to her own credit, a recipient of an artist-in-residence grant from the National Endowment for the Arts and Rockefeller Foundation and an artist whose work has been shown in the Renwick Gallery of the Smithsonian Institute.
- ❖ **Top Things to See and Do:** From Los Angeles to Pittsburgh, Atlanta to Savannah and everywhere in between, the 200 artists selected for this festival are the very best in their categories and have been included in publications such as *American Artist*, *The Artist Magazine*, *Clay Times* and *Southern Living*. Why gallery hop when you have it all in one city and in one festival?
- ❖ **Entertainment , Other Activities and Local Fare:** Escape to the shade, grab a cold drink and enjoy live tunes by local musicians in the Acoustic Café & Beer Garden or take a break and nosh on fun festival fare; foster the artistic education of the budding artists in your family at the RE-ART Center, where children can craft unique green creations using repurposed materials collected from Piedmont Park!
- ❖ **Where to Stay:** Residence Inn Atlanta Midtown/17th Street – 404.745.1000. Book by August 21, 2009 for special rate: \$89/night for studio suite or \$99/night for one-bedroom suite.

The Atlanta Arts Festival is a professionally-juried fine arts event that will fill Piedmont Park with color and life, September 12 - 13, 2009. The festival brings to the drawing board 200 local and nationally recognized artists from an eclectic mix of 12 mediums, including jewelry, painting, photography, ceramics and sculpture, leather and metal, glassblowing and more – all in one weekend!

For more information visit www.AtlantaArtsFestival.com, or call the Atlanta Arts Festival at 770.941.9660.

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