



ANNUAL FORUM

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October 9-12 Loews Hotel Atlanta

Spouse & Guest Program Agenda

Excursions will depart from the lobby of the Loews Atlanta Hotel promptly at the specified time. All Spouse & Guest Program participants are invited to attend the NEMA President's Reception on Saturday, October 11.

Thursday, October 9, 2014

9:00 am – 1:00 pm

All About Atlanta

Today's tour begins on Atlanta's longest and most famous street – Peachtree Street. Guests will see downtown's soaring skyscrapers, midtown's "Fabulous" Fox Theatre, the High Museum of Art and "The Dump", where Margaret Mitchell wrote *Gone with the Wind*. Next stop Buckhead – an area of exquisite homes often called the Beverly Hills of the South. Nestled in this exclusive area are the Governor's Mansion, Atlanta History Center and the Swan House.

On the way back to town, guests will see the shopping and entertainment district—Atlantic Station, the Georgia Tech campus and many Olympic venues. Guests will also see the Georgia Aquarium, World of Coca-Cola, Centennial Olympic Park and the CNN Center. Guests will then enjoy a driving tour of Sweet Auburn Avenue, the first, and for a long time the most thriving black business district in the south and important landmark of the Civil Rights Movement. Guests will visit Martin Luther King's Center and Ebenezer Baptist Church where Dr. King and his father were pastors. No tour in Atlanta would be complete without a look at Turner Field – Home of the Braves and the golden domed State Capitol Building. Guests will be both entertained and enlightened on this panoramic tour of Atlanta.

Friday, October 10, 2014

1:30 pm – 5:00 pm

Art & Antiques

Why not spend today exploring art and antiques in Atlanta. Your guests will begin by visiting Bennett Street. From its beginnings as a country road, it evolved into a warehouse district and then a 1970's singles scene. In the mid-1970's, art studios and galleries began moving in. Today, the street offers an intriguing jumble of antique shops, galleries, studios and restaurants. Atlanta Magazine says this area is filled with, "Charming shops with antiques and reproductions at feasible prices; ditto for art galleries."

Next is a visit to Miami Circle. Originally a small group of antique shops, Miami Circle is now a top resource for both the interior designer and retail customer. It is one of the few places in Atlanta where you can find an extensive and diverse selection of shops to suit all of your guests home décor needs. From traditional to modern, antique to new, The Shops of Miami Circle provide a world of opportunities.

Saturday, October 11, 2014

10:00 am – 2:00 pm

Stone Mountain Park

Depart for Atlanta's most visited attraction, Georgia's Stone Mountain Park. This 3,200-acre park features the world's largest piece of exposed granite. View the Mountain's majestic carving of General Robert E. Lee, "Stonewall" Jackson and Jefferson Davis from the newly renovated Memorial Hall. Learn more about the history of the carving in the Discovering Stone Mountain Museum.

Take an uplifting journey on the Summit Sky Ride to the top of the mountain for a spectacular view or ride around the mountain on the Scenic Railroad complete with a 1940's locomotive! You will be treated to a lovely boxed picnic lunch while visiting Stone Mountain.