

# Southeast Getaway Travel Newsletter

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Dear Harry,

I think this is truly the best time of the year to travel. Gas prices are dropping, the roads are not crowded and people are warm and friendly as the cool weather sets in and nature slides off to sleep. There is also so much to choose from if you are looking for something great to do. In this issue we will cover some of the spectacular events happening in the southeast. This is just a sprinkling of all that is going on so be sure to check out our website for more events.

### • Spotlight on Service-Savannah Getaways

Whether you are looking for a romantic Savannah weekend getaway or a longer vacation rental, planning your wedding or honeymoon, or looking for a short term/long term corporate rental, Savannah Getaways invites you to join the growing list of friends who've stayed in their fully equipped and fully furnished properties.



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### • NEW FEATURE: FAQ's: Where can I take a hot air balloon ride?

Thompson Aire - Hot Air Balloon Rides  
 Telephone: 407-421-9322 If you are going to be in Orlando or coming to the Disney parks don't miss one of the most spectacular rides of your life. See the real Florida by floating effortlessly across the pristine beauty that is the real Florida. Areas absolutely untouched by human hands. Nature in all of its awesome glory. This is an experience you will talk about the rest of your life. Hot air balloon flights in the Disney area 7 days a week at sunrise.



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### • Plan Ahead Events: Atlanta, GA

#### Lighting of the Great Tree at Macy's

Formerly called Rich's Great Tree and now held at Lenox Square Mall in the Buckhead Area outside of Atlanta Even though Rich's once-proud downtown flagship store is gone, this holiday tradition begun in 1948 still continues. At 7 PM on Thanksgiving night, thousands of Atlantans gather to sing carols with mass choirs and await the lighting of Macy's Great Tree, an enormous evergreen decorated with basketball-size ornaments.

#### Holiday Celebration Georgia's Stone Mountain Park

U.S. Hwy. 78 east to Stone Mountain Park exit (770) 498-5702 The park's holiday party goes on seven nights a week, with horse-drawn carriage rides, a decorated plantation home, Christmas music and a holiday laser show. The guest of honor, is Santa, accompanied by his elves. More than two million lights are strung throughout the park, and you can go on a driving tour to see all the designs. The lights are displayed from the Friday after Thanksgiving through New Year's Eve.

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### • Little Gem of the South:Greensboro, NC

The gentle rolling hills of Greensboro, North Carolina are nestled between the coast and the Blue Ridge range of the Appalachians, making for a pleasant climate and beautiful scenery all year long. Just the sight of the mountains and the sound of the running streams, tempt even the devout city dweller to take a deep breath and relax. Enjoying the weather is just one of the natural benefits of Greensboro. It is also a city rich in history and the preservation of memories of past events. One of these is the Reenactment of the Revolutionary War Battle of Guilford Courthouse. "Explore History Days Events" held throughout the year, are highlighted by the reenactment of the battle. The activities take place at the Special Events Field in Military Park. The 220 acre site includes wayside exhibits and a visitor center with displays, films, and brochures.

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## Lights, Camera, Action-Savannah, GA



The Savannah Film Festival dazzles the historic city from October 28th to November 4th. Star sightings have been known to happen. If meeting some big stars and mingling with famous directors while enjoying new movies sounds like fun to you then Savannah is the place to be.

Savannah College of Art and Design, known to us locals as SCAD, offers degrees in cinematic studies originated this film festival. These students assist production crews when Savannah serves as the local for a film such as Midnight in the Garden of Good and Evil. For nine years this festival is a star event for Savannah.

Opening night kicks off with a street party and then a variety of feature-length documentary, independent, student and animated works. The restored Trustees Theatre with a state-of-the-art sound system hosts the main feature. Another historic venue is the Lucas Theatre for the arts. We give this festival a thumbs up.

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