

DOWNTOWN LIVE



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Welcome to "Downtown Live," a monthly newsletter highlighting just a few of the great things going on this month in Downtown Atlanta. This month's edition of Downtown Live is sponsored by [TWELVE Hotel Centennial Park](#).



It may be hot outside, but it's a cool time to book year-end holiday events at Downtown's best boutique hotel, **TWELVE Centennial Park**. The event space at TWELVE includes two adjoining meeting rooms, a beautiful lounge with bar, pre-function area and a stately board room—a total of 5,600 square feet. Any or all of these can be reserved for your event, offering the perfect space for any group from 12 to 300. Guests will enjoy spectacular city views, stylish surroundings and exceptional food catered by in-house restaurant, ROOM. Book your holiday group event

by August 31st and receive the following:

- \$50 Concentrics Hospitality card when you book a holiday group lunch
- \$100 Concentrics Hospitality card when you book a holiday group dinner

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August 2, 2008 Roam the Dome with a visit to the Atlanta Falcons renovated home and watch a simulated game, right down to a performance of the national anthem, a coin toss and player introductions. Tours of the Dome include stops at the visitors' locker room, coaches' booths and press box. After the simulated game, fans can participate in drills on the field with players.

[www.atlantafalcons.com/Schedule/Events/2008/08/Roam the Dome.aspx](http://www.atlantafalcons.com/Schedule/Events/2008/08/Roam_the_Dome.aspx)

August 4, 2008 Get Active Atlanta kicks off a free eight-week training program combining fitness, fun, and healthy lifestyle choices offered exclusively for registered corporate teams who will participate in the Kaiser Permanente Corporate Run/Walk & Fitness Program.

www.kpcorporaterunwalk.com

August 5, 2008 World Wrestling Entertainment (WWE) presents two of the most exciting televised shows in sports entertainment live under the same roof on the same night at **Philips Arena**. Watch SmackDown and Extreme Championship Wrestling (ECW) to see all your favorite stars. www.philipsarena.com

The **Atlanta New Century School** has relocated to a new, permanent home at 120 Ralph McGill Boulevard, across from the Atlanta Civic Center and the Georgia Power building. This move is a major step for Downtown Atlanta's premier independent school. The completed renovated facility allows for more programs and is crucial to upholding the school philosophy that the classrooms encompass the museums, universities, libraries, and educational resources of Downtown Atlanta. The Atlanta New Century School is currently enrolling and hosting Open Houses **August 6, 7 & 13**. www.ancs.us

August 7, 2008 Turner First Thursdays Artswalk offers a unique way to explore Downtown, get some exercise and appreciate local art, on the first Thursday of the month from 5-8 p.m. The arts venues time their new exhibits for unveiling on Turner First Thursdays, so there's always something new to see. www.atlantadowntown.com/HavingFun_FirstThursdays.asp

August 9 & 10, 2008 You don't have to go to China to experience the magic of the Olympics. Take part in the opening ceremony of the **Imagine It! The Children's Museum Of Atlanta** Olympic Games, complete with a torch relay, parade of nations, and celebration of the 2008 Olympic Mascots - the five Fuwa (good luck dolls): Beibei, Jingjing, Huanhuan, Yingying, and Nini. www.imagineit-cma.org/home.asp

August 20, 2008 Feed Your Senses at the **Rialto Center for the Arts**. Celebrate Caribbean culture with We Kinda Ting, the Atlanta Carnival Band. This lunchtime event features a different artist or speaker each month providing an insider's look at their craft. Admission is free, so bring your lunch or purchase a boxed lunch for \$5.00. www.rialtocenter.org

August 22, 2008 In collaboration with Spelman College, the Auburn Avenue Research Library presents **Skirts: Petticoat to Crinoline: A Historical Apparel Experience 1887-1950**. This unique historical exhibition celebrates the fashions worn by black women at home, at leisure, and in their communities. www.afplweb.com

August 23, 2008 Enjoy an afternoon of free family fun at **Centennial Olympic Park's Fourth Saturday Family Fun Day**. The event is full of interactive, entertaining and educational activities for children. The Park invites civic organizations, hobby enthusiasts, artisans, school groups and entertainers from around the Southeast to participate in the program. The theme for August is Games and Gadgets. www.centennialpark.com/events/fsffd.html

August 23, 2008 The 5th Annual **German Bierfest** at Woodruff Park is the event for people interested in spending a fun day outside while experiencing real German beer, food and music right here in Downtown Atlanta. The Bierfest offers a chance to explore the best of what the German beer world has to offer. Purchase raffle tickets to win the official Bierfest smart car and **Downtown Live subscribers** save \$5 off tickets by entering the promo code CAP. www.germanbierfest.com

August 23, 2008 Rickey Smiley and **Fantasia Barrino** headline the comedy and R&B festival, **Laughter for your Soul**, at the Atlanta Civic Center. The festival, hosted by Wanda Smith of V-103, promises to keep you on the edge of your seat. www.atlantaciviccenter.com/events/rickeysmiley.htm

August 24, 2008 Underground Atlanta welcomes the **Festival Peachtree Latino**. The festival creates an international setting where over 20 different Latin American nations dance in the streets and share their art, culture, and traditions. www.festivalpeachtreelatino.com

Every Friday through September, Downtown workers relax at **SunTrust Lunch on Broad**. Soak up the sounds of local musicians and enjoy the company of friends and co-workers on your lunch break. From noon - 1:30 p.m. in the heart of Downtown Atlanta's Historic Fairlie-Poplar District. www.atlantadowntown.com/HavingFun_LunchBroad.asp

Morton's The Steakhouse celebrates a 30th anniversary by partnering with the Make-A-Wish Foundation with a goal of making 30 wishes come true for children diagnosed with life-threatening conditions. Every Sunday through September, Morton's is serving the "**Million Dollar Burger**" specially priced at \$19.78 and \$5.00 goes to the Make-A-Wish Foundation. www.mortons.com/location_detail.php?pageid=location_detail&idlocation=24

Studioplex hosts a weekly **green market** every Saturday from 8:00 a.m. - noon through the fall. The green market brings an abundance of fresh produce from farmers in Habersham and Rabun counties in North Georgia. Danneman's Coffee provides coffee available for purchase. www.studioplexlofts.com

Through **November 5, 2008** **Agatha's** presents "Annie Get your Uzi," a tale of Annie Oakie Fanokie and a cast western villains. Agatha's is a comedy murder mystery dinner theater with audience participation. All shows are original comedy murder mystery plays that take place in the dining room between the courses of the meal. www.agathas.com/index.html

The World of Coca-Cola is proud to present an exhibition by famed Georgia portrait artist, **Steve Penley** in the Pop Culture gallery. This is the first time a collection of Penley's Coca-Cola themed work of this scale will be presented to the public. On display through May 2009, the Penley collection will feature more than 15 pieces, including video footage of the artist at work in his studio, more than 12 paintings and a charcoal Coca-Cola icon bottle line drawing sketched by his 6-year old son. www.worldofcocacola.com

Need a cool place to relax during the hot summer days? Visit the **Georgia Aquarium** as many times as you'd like with the new Summer Splash Pass. The pass is available to adults, children and seniors for the low price of \$40. It is valid 90 days from the date of purchase and grants the pass holder unlimited visits to the Aquarium and immediate entry through the Member's entrance. www.georgiaaquarium.org/summersplashpass.aspx

New Downtown Restaurants

Dogwood is located on the ground floor of the Reynolds condominium building at 565 Peachtree Street. Chef Shane Touhy and Scott Black fuse elegance, sophistication and stellar regional cuisine in their first restaurant. www.dogwoodrestaurant.com

Noni's Italian Deli & Bar is located at 357 Edgewood Avenue and offers a delicious menu consisting of deli sandwiches and paninis, homemade pasta, and beer and wine imports. www.nonisdeli.com

This service is provided by your friends at [Central Atlanta Progress/Atlanta Downtown Improvement District](#), a private, non-profit organization dedicated to building a thriving, culturally rich and diverse city center - a place where YOU want to live, work and play.

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