

ATL Airport District is Back with Another Year of Holiday Celebration

From Snow Slides to Tinsel Trails, the Cities of College Park and Hapeville Bring the Community Together for Holiday Experiences

Atlanta - November 22, 2022 - The ATL Airport District, the destination marketing organization for the cities of College Park, Hapeville, and Union City, Georgia, today announced a variety of fun, memorable holiday events and activities that will bring holiday joy to all guests. Hosted by both local businesses and community government officials, families can enjoy themed games, warm drinks and community pride.

"The holidays are always a special time in The District, and with an abundance of unique events planned by members of our community, as well as some long-standing area traditions, the cities are going to shine more than ever before," said Cookie Smoak, president of the ATL Airport District.

The District will feature multiple events throughout the season, with the goal of creating enriching experiences that encourage creativity and unity. A sampling of the events coming up include:

Hapeville for the Holidays: Tuesday, November 22, Hapeville will host a family-friendly holiday extravaganza in Jesse Lucas Y-Teen Park. Starting at 5:30 p.m., guests of all ages can zip down the snow slides, play themed games and visit Santa Claus. Locals and visitors can cozy up and sip hot chocolate while watching the countdown at 7:15 p.m. for the tree lighting. After the tree lighting, all guests are invited to Hapeville First Baptist Church for its annual non-denominational Thanksgiving community service.

Light Up the City: Monday, November 28, the City of College Park Recreation and Cultural Arts and the College Park Main Street Association will illuminate the streets to bring in the holiday season. In the holiday spirit, locals have pre-ordered and decorated the trees being presented in the Tinsel Trail scattered from the front lawns of the Jack P. Longino City Hall to the city auditorium. The streets of College Park will be lit at 6 p.m. accompanied by live performances from artists like the talented saxophonist Victor Beasley and enjoy greetings from Mr. & Mrs. Claus. Each year Mayor Bianca Motley Broom and other city officials bring warm welcomes along with holiday refreshments (including warm cookies and a Hot Toddy station).

Holiday Artist Market: Saturday, December 3, Arches Brewing is shutting down Hapeville with a festive holiday market to promote local artisans. From 2 to 7 p.m., craft beer fans can cozy up by Biergarten firepits – where Arches Brewing will serve seasonal beers including two taproom exclusives, the Double IPA Sap Stories: Chapter 3 and Holiday Ale Jubilance – and enjoy browsing art, collections and vintage

goods that make the perfect holiday gifts. The market will feature a special "Moments Out West" indoor photography exhibit by Bretagne Isler. At 8 p.m. on the taproom stage, the renowned Douglas Dewey Creative drag cabaret's "Holiday Spec-TACKY-lar" will take place. Cabaret tickets are available on <u>douglasdeweycreative.com</u>.

For more information on holiday events in the ATL Airport District, visit <u>www.atldistrict.com/plan-your-</u> <u>visit/upcoming-events/full-calendar</u> or call 404.334.7500. For updates on everything in "The District", follow @ATLDistrict on <u>Facebook</u>, <u>Twitter</u> and <u>Instagram</u>.

About the ATL Airport District

ATL Airport District is the official convention and visitor bureau for the cities of College Park, Hapeville and Union City, Ga. The District's mission is to generate economic development for its cities by representing the community as preferred tourism, convention and meeting destination. With the airport having access to 150 cities in the U.S. and 60 cities internationally, over 7,000 hotel rooms with amenities from airport shuttles to pools, walkable restaurants, shops, breweries and more all guests experience southern hospitality with modern work-focused energy.

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