

DISCOVER ALBANY GEORGIA

Where history & nature flow

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Small Meetings/Groups Connect in Albany

- Albany has more than two dozen hotels
- Flexible meeting space available in many hotels
- Small meeting space, unique reception and dining venues at event facilities at major attractions: Albany Museum of Art, Flint RiverQuarium and Chehaw and historic sites including the Carnegie Library and Thronateeska Heritage Plaza
- Equipped venues are at several colleges, including Albany State University

Affordable and easy on the budget

- Loads of group-friendly restaurants
- One-of-a-kind attractions and entertainment
 - 10 day trip options

Food, Faith and Functions

Here is a small sampling of Albany's one-of-a-kind meeting sites:

The Parks at Chehaw (accommodates up to 300 attendees)

Nearly 800 acres of fun • Wild Animal Park • Southeast Georgia's largest play park • petting zoo and miniature train • Nature trails • Camp grounds • RV camping hook-ups • Indoor and outdoor pavilions • Breakfast with cheetahs (advance reservations)

11 screened and open pavilions plus Creekside Education Center: suitable for up to 300; staff assists with meeting planning; entire facility rentals includes covered deck surrounded by Chehaw's native wildlife and plants and overlooks the beautiful Muckalee Creek www.parksatchehaw.org

Flint RiverQuarium (accommodates up to 300 attendees)

175,000-gallon aquarium • Blue Hole Spring • Over 30 species of birds in the new open-air aviary • Learn the story of the Flint River • Come face to face with the creatures of the deep

Skywater Room and Imagination Theater are available for rental

www.flintriverquarium.com

Albany Civil Rights Institute (accommodates up to 250 attendees)

New interactive museum and exhibit tells the story of the Civil Rights Movement in Albany • Multi-media exhibits • Oral histories • Research facility • Old Mount Zion Baptist Church • Auditorium/multipurpose room • Outdoor Freedom Garden • Grand lobby

Freedom Singers perform the 2nd Saturday of each month

www.albanycivilrightsinstitute.org

Albany offers additional meeting, meal function and reunion space in historic, cultural and outdoor venues and in modern hotel and convention centers. For a complete list of options, call Liz Gray at the Albany CVB



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NEW! “On Location” Movie Set Tour

Faith-based guided tour * Behind-the-scenes stories * Set locations: Fireproof (No. 1 Inspiration Movie of the Year) and Facing the Giants

NEW! Thronateeska Heritage Center and Wetherbee Planetarium

Tour the night sky • Country’s only hi-def planetarium • 40-foot dome • Digital projection • Historic buildings • New Science Discovery Center (archeology, paleontology, geology, water science) • Interactive weather center

Paula Deen Hometown Tour

Trace the Albany years of the queen of Southern cuisine, includes Paula’s favorite shops

Albany CVB Group Services

Planning your event:

- Albany CVB staff will assist with bids for accommodations, meeting and gathering space, and will make certain you have the appropriate contacts to take care of all your needs
- Albany CVB staff will assist with planning specialty tours for your groups.
- Albany CVB staff will arrange for welcome bags and greeting

Upon arrival in Albany:

The Albany Welcome Center is located in the Historic Bridge House on the Flint River.

- The first stop for groups should be the Albany Welcome Center
- Staff will welcome your group and hand out welcome bags
- Groups can see the film, “From the Heart of Southwest Georgia”, a great introduction to Albany and the SWGA region
- Brochures, maps and one-of-a-kind Albany souvenirs are available
- Riverfront Plaza, Turtle Grove Play Park and the Ray Charles Plaza are located next to the Albany Welcome Center, making a perfect spot for gathering the group together in a unique to Albany setting

NOTE: All assistance with bids, requests for welcome bags and greeting, and special tours must be made in advance

Hub & Spoke Tours:

Within approximately an hour’s drive of Albany:

- Thomasville Historic District
- Swamp Gravy Folk Life Play
- Still Pond Vineyard
- Blue and Gray Museum
- Habitat for Humanity Global Village
- Georgia Agrirama
- Jimmy Carter National Historic Site and Boyhood Farm
- Pebble Hill Plantation
- Andersonville National Historic Site and POW Museum
- Wild Adventures