

EVENTS AROUND TOWN



ATLANTA TOURIST LOOP

Climb on board and travel to events around town this month!

July 14-23, 2006

BLACK ARTS FESTIVAL

Ten days of dance, music, film, theatre, visual arts, literary arts and family events of the African Diaspora.



July 19-July 22, 2006

MegaFest 2006, Bishop T. D. Jakes' mega event of epic proportions is ripe and poised to descend on the city of Atlanta, July 19-22, 2006.

With festival standards like the elite Fashion Show, the Just Chuchin' Comedy show highlighting the comedic styling of Tommy Davidson and Jonathan Slocumb, and the Celebrity Golf Tournament, this year's event will also include a Mega Finale for the entire family. Also new is a special Celebration of Unity concert commemorating Bishop Jakes' 30 years in ministry featuring Aretha Franklin, Donnie McClurkin, Shirley Caesar and many other world-renowned artists, along with a few surprises you'll have to see to believe.

For more information on MegaFest 2006 or to register, visit www.Mega-Fest.com or call 1-877-TDJ-MEGA.

breeze BULLETIN

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BREEZE UPDATES

MARTA's conversion to the new Breeze smart card system is reaching an important milestone. By mid-July, all of MARTA's rail stations will have the new fare gates and vending machines. Bus installation is well underway and expected to be complete by the end of July.

Until the new system is completely installed on rail and buses, customers can continue to use either cash, tokens, TransCards or Breeze Tickets to ride MARTA. However, as of September 30, 2006, tokens will no longer be accepted in Breeze Vending Machines and bus fare boxes. Customers still possessing tokens at that time will have until March 30, 2007, to exchange them for an equivalent value on Breeze Cards. Today's 10 and 20 token rolls will be replaced with 10-trip and 20-trip Breeze Cards at the same prices of \$17.50 and \$30.00, respectively. For more information and updates on Breeze, visit www.breezecard.com or call 404-848-5000.

PUBLIC HEARING INFORMATION

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Directors of the Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority will hold a Public Hearing regarding:

Breeze Implementation—Proposed Fare Structure & Associated Costs

The public hearings will be held at the following locations, dates and times. Call 404-848-5660 for more information.

Monday, July 24, 2006 at 7:00 p.m.

Maloof Auditorium

1300 Commerce Drive, Decatur

South Fulton Service Center

5600 Stonewall Tell Road, College Park


Tuesday, July 25, 2006 at 7:00 p.m.

Atlanta City Hall

55 Trinity Avenue, Atlanta

North Fulton Service Center

7741 Roswell Road, Sandy Springs

Breeze. We're Building a Better Way. 

MARTA SERVICE SCHEDULE

Changes have been made to the following bus routes: 3, 5, 10, 13, 16, 21, 23, 29, 42, 45, 55, 57, 67, 69, 70, 72, 74, 86, 88, 113, 115, 120, 121, 124, 129, 140, 170, 182, 216, 245. Please visit www.itsmarta.com or call 404-848-5000 for details on changes.



PEACHTREE STREET BRIDGE REPLACEMENT AT FIVE POINTS

Due to a Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) project, Peachtree Street will be closed to vehicle traffic beginning on July 23, 2006 between Alabama Street and Marietta Street/Decatur Street and will remain closed throughout the duration of the project. The projected re-open date is March, 2008.

The ADA ramp running from the Peachtree Street side of Five Points Station to the Station Plaza will be in the construction zone; therefore, it will be closed off during this GDOT construction.

The Alabama Street & Forsyth Street ADA ramps will remain open during all phases of the GDOT construction for access to the Station Plaza.

MARTA's Five Points Station Peachtree Street Entrance will remain open. Peachtree Street entrances to the No. 2 Peachtree Street Building, the Wachovia Bank Building and the Five Points Plaza Building will be closed during construction; however, entrances to those buildings along adjacent streets will be available. The following MARTA bus routes will be adjusted: 3, 10, 16, 21, 42, 55 and 74. For additional information on these adjustments call 404-848-5000 for schedule information or visit www.itsmarta.com.

Visit www.dot.state.ga.us and search under "Road Construction Projects" for more information on the Georgia DOT Peachtree Street Bridge replacement project.

If you have any questions, please contact Mark McKinnon at 770-986-1011 or mark.mckinnon@dot.state.ga.us. Information is available in accessible format by contacting 404-848-4037.

CUSTOMER CORNER



Look at what this customer had to say regarding our new Atlanta Tourist Loop Service and the bus driver...

"I was on Route 100 (Atlanta Tourist Loop-Downtown) on June 23 beginning at 12 noon. The driver was extremely helpful. My family and I were first-time visitors to Atlanta and first-time users of MARTA buses and trains. I cannot say enough good things about the driver of our bus. His information along the route, his suggestions on area attractions and destinations, and his help on navigating our way through downtown Atlanta were Great!"

J. Norman, Florida

We want to hear from you! Please submit your comments or MARTA stories that you would like published by using our Customer Comment Cards located at any train station, sending us an e-mail at custserv@itsmarta.com or contacting us by phone 404-848-5000. We value your opinions.

FUN ZONE

Unscramble these words.

EBZEEER _____
 NRITA _____
 TITOSNA _____
 ON FFTRICA _____
 VICNOTENEN _____
 USB OTPS _____

Answers: 1. Breeze 2. Train 3. Station 4. No Traffic 5. Convenient 6. Bus Stop