15 ways to experience Atlanta

For those who are looking for something to do after attending courses and visiting the exhibit hall, Atlanta is often considered one of the most exciting cities in the country. From top attractions to history, there is sure to be something for everyone. Here are 15 attractions to help get you started.

**Georgia Aquarium**
The world's largest aquarium, it is home to beluga whales, whale sharks, penguins and other aquatic animals from around the globe.

**World of Coca-Cola**
The Coke museum features a multi-sensory 4-D theater, an 1880s soda fountain and a live-action bottling line, plus an opportunity to sample nearly 70 different beverages from around the world.

**Georgia Dome**
The Georgia Dome, the largest cable-supported domed stadium in the world.

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A view of Atlanta. Photo/Provided by the Georgia World Congress Center

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innovative exhibits and the parties of the century,” said Dr. Allen French, gen-
eral chairman of the 2012 Hinman Den-
tal Meeting. “What started as a study club in 1912 has grown to become one of the preeminent dental meetings in the country with a 100-year legacy of excel-
ence.”

Continuing education
Hinman’s 2012 continuing education program will feature more than 65 na-
tionally renowned clinicians and leaders and more than 250 lectures and workshops, a quarter of which are participation courses.

New this year to Hinman is a three-
day educational track, “Emerging Den-
tist’s Survival Guide,” designed for new-
dentists and dental students. Courses will be held today from 1–4 p.m., Friday from 8:30 a.m.–5 p.m. and Saturday from 8:30–11:30 a.m.

The “Business Fast Track” returns this year and offers a total of eight courses held today and Friday. Returning for a third year are the all-day educational tracks designed specifically for dental hygienists, dental assistants and busi-
ness executives.

“Prevention Convention,” which is to-
day and Friday from 9 a.m.–3:30 p.m., is for hygienists. “Assisting Extravaganza,” taking place Friday from 9:30 a.m.–5 p.m., is for dental assistants. “Busi-
ness Office Bonanza,” on Friday from 8:30 a.m.–4 p.m., is for office staff.

All three full-day tracks feature six 50-minute lectures and cover a broad range of topics geared to the dental staff member.

Exhibit hall
In addition to a complete continuing education program, Hinman will feature nearly 400 companies, all located in one hall and on one level. New this year and in honor of the 100th meeting, the exhibit hall will feature Dental Office Pavilions, a special “100 Years of Hinman” exhibit and a New Product Pavilion featuring the industry’s newest innovations.

Two giveaways will also be going on in the exhibit hall. The Diamond-A-Day Giveaway will take place in celebration of the Hinman 100th diamond anniver-
sary. Ticket tumbler will be located in the Hinman History Pavilion today and Friday from 9–4:45 p.m., and the winner must be present at 4:45 p.m. to claim the prize. On Saturday, the tumbler are in the Hinman History Pavilion from 2:45–
3:30 p.m., and the winner must be present at 3:30 p.m. to claim the prize.

In addition, look for Dr. and Mrs. Hin-
man on the show floor for your chance to win several $100 cash prize giveaways. Attendees must turn in their completed ticket to Dr. or Mrs. Hinman when they see them. Dr. and Mrs. Hinman will be walking around in the exhibit hall to-
day and Friday from 9:30–11:40 a.m. and from 3:30–5:30 p.m. and on Saturday from 9:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m. The winners will be called on their cell phones and do not need to be present.

The exhibit hall is open from 9 a.m.
to 5:30 p.m. today and Friday and from 9 a.m. to 10:30 p.m. on Saturday.

Social activities
There is always more to the Hinman Dental Meeting than just the educational courses and the exhibit hall, and this year is no exception. This year’s meeting highlights include:

• Keynote Session with former First Lady Laura Bush. The Keynote Session will take place today in the Thomas Murphy Ballroom (GWCC Building B, Level 5). Doors and cash bars open at 4:30 p.m., and everything is first come, first served.

• A Dental Student Orientation Reception: The reception will take place Friday afternoon at 4 p.m. and is being held to familiarize dental students with the Hin-
man Dental Meeting and the continuing education process.

• Two “Parties of the Century”: Both the annual Dentist Reception and the Aux-
iliary Reception will take place Friday night in the Omni Hotel. Both receptions offer food, drinks and music.

For more information on the Hinman Dental Meeting, download the mobile app on your smartphone or tablet.

(Source: The Hinman Dental Society of Atlanta)

• ATLANTA Page 1 opened in 1992. Located in downtown Atlanta, the dome is the home venue for the Atlanta Falcons. Annually, the dome hosts the Bank of America Atlanta Foot-
ball Classic, the SEC Football Championship and the Chick-Fil-A Bowl.

Margaret Mitchell House
The three-story Tudor Revival mansion in Midtown was the home of author Mar-
garet Mitchell, who wrote the Pulitzer Prize-winning novel, Gone With the Wind. The house offers tours, a museum and shop, as well as a literature series.

Jimmy Carter Presidential Library
Learn about the life and work of the 39th president. Explore an exact replica of the Oval Office, view special exhibits and lis-
ten to oral histories and interviews from the Chief OPerating Offi cer Eric Seid er in chief dental tribune.

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