

Freedom Park Designated as an Atlanta Public Art Park

On Monday, March 19, 2007, the Atlanta City Council unanimously passed Resolution 07-R-0447, designating Freedom Park as Atlanta's Public Art Park.

"The Council of the City of Atlanta, Georgia, hereby resolves that the Mayor be and is hereby authorized to designate Freedom Park as an Atlanta Public Art Park to serve as a venue for the installation of temporary and permanent public art and sitting works of sculpture, for the purpose of introducing the arts to the citizens of the City of Atlanta."

Comprised of 210 acres and located northeast of downtown Atlanta, along Freedom Parkway, Freedom Park is the largest public green space set aside in a major metropolitan area in the United States in the last century. The main thoroughfares through the park, Freedom Parkway and Moreland Avenue, can easily accommodate 43,500 people daily. With almost six miles long of open rolling terrain, the park's landscape provides plenty of room to accommodate runners, strollers, bicyclists, families as well as a venue for public art in Atlanta.

The legislation was drafted with the support of many in Atlanta's oldest in-town neighborhoods such as Old Fourth Ward, Midtown, Inman Park, Reynoldstown, Ponce-Highlands, Candler Park, Lake Claire, Druid Hills and Virginia-Highlands as well as the Department of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs, Art in Freedom Park Task Force, the Freedom Park Conservancy, the John Lewis Plaza Committee, PAAC, Park Pride and Public Space Initiative.

"The Office of Cultural Affairs is looking forward to working with the Atlanta community on the installation of permanent and temporary works of art in Freedom Park and other Atlanta parks as a way of enlivening public spaces and providing opportunities for residents and visitors to enjoy and appreciate great art," said Camille Russell Love, director of the City of Atlanta Office of Cultural Affairs (OCA) and administrator of the Public Art Program.

OCA is a division of the Department of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs, established in 1974, OCA encourages and supports Atlanta's cultural resources. In order to improve the social fabric and quality of life for Atlanta's citizens and visitors, the Office is committed to nurturing excellence and diversity in the city's artistic offerings.

To review the resolution, please [visit here](#).

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