



SSPPS2019 SAVANNAH, GA

Southeastern State Parks Programs Seminar



**December
9-13, 2019**

**DeSoto Hotel
15 East Liberty Street, Savannah, GA 31401**

SSPPS 2019

This year, the Georgia State Parks, Recreation and Historic Sites Division has the privilege of hosting the 2019 Southeastern State Parks Programs Seminar (SSPPS).

SSPPS is an annual conference dedicated to the promotion and advancement of educational opportunities that our state parks have to offer. Each year, park staff gather to discuss new ideas and trends while discovering beautiful park settings.

Georgia State Parks and Historic Sites invites you and your company to support the initiatives behind the SSPPS, as we bring together those who directly impact the success of their state park systems and, in turn, your business. This unique opportunity allows us to not only highlight Georgia's cultural and natural resources, but also to showcase the benefits your businesses or services offer our southeastern state parks. We look forward to hosting both formal and informal settings for you to advertise your business and spend quality time with state park officials.

Over 100 state park personnel from 14 states in the Southeastern region will be staying in Historic Savannah.



As a sponsor at the Southeastern State Parks Programs Seminar, you'll have the unique opportunity to spend several days with state park rangers, interpreters, naturalists, resource managers and other park officials from across the southeastern United States.

WELCOMESPONSORS

To Historic Savannah, Georgia!

Each year Savannah attracts millions of visitors to its cobblestone streets, parks, and notable historic buildings. Savannah is now known as a year-round vacation destination for business and pleasure and consistently named one of the “world’s friendliest cities.” Our conference attendees will be staying in the heart of the historic district and taking day excursions to see the other sides of the low country.

THEDESOTO

15 East Liberty Street, Savannah, GA 31401

Overlooking Madison Square in the heart of Savannah’s Historic District, The DeSoto is a treasured landmark blending the elegance, history, and charm of one of Georgia’s oldest cities with a generous dash of modern Southern hospitality. Warm smiles from long-tenured staff, a museum-worthy lobby art gallery showcasing the Savannah College of Art & Design, imaginative cocktails at Edgar’s Proof & Provision, and farm-fresh ingredients at 1540 Room.

www.thedesotosavannah.com

Hotel Transportation

Savannah, GA is easily accessible from several cities:

Jacksonville,FL (JAX): approximately 2 hours

Charleston, SC (CHS): approximately 2 hours

Savannah Airport: SavannahAirport.com



SPONSORSHIP INFORMATION

Upper-level tiered sponsors will receive full registration benefits, allowing full participation in meals, field trips and adventures, presentations, guest speakers and much more.

We invite you to support the Southeastern State Parks Programs Seminar. Several sponsorship opportunities exist, and all sponsors will be recognized throughout the conference. Vendor showcasing will also be available during conference breaks and some hospitality breaks.

RIGHT WHALE - \$2500+

- 2 full conference registrations
- Sponsor listing on the conference website and in the conference booklet
- Tabletop advertisements at sponsored meals
- Logo placement on conference signage
- Insert in registration packet (1 page max)
- Opportunity to sponsor a meal (breakfast, lunch, or dinner) or a break/ event period snack
- Specific mention at sponsored event or meal (“Brought to you by...”)
- Opportunity to set up a table display for entire conference
- Opportunity to include item for give-a-way to conference attendees

LIVE OAK - \$1000

- 1 full conference registration
- Sponsor listing on the conference website and in the conference booklet
- Logo placement on conference signage
- Opportunity to sponsor a meal or a break/ event period
- Specific mention at sponsored event or meal (“Brought to you by...”)
- Opportunity to include item for give-a-way to conference attendees
- Opportunity to set up a table display for entire conference
- Sponsor appreciation certificate



SPONSORSHIP **INFORMATION** (CONTINUED)

GOPHER TORTOISE - \$500

- Sponsor appreciation certificate
- Sponsor listing on the conference website and in the conference booklet
- Opportunity to include item for give-a-way to conference attendees
- Placement of business card, flyer or company brochure in SSPPS welcome package

PAINTED BUNTING - \$250

- Sponsor appreciation certificate
- Sponsor listing on the conference website and in the conference booklet
- Opportunity to include item for give-a-way to conference attendees

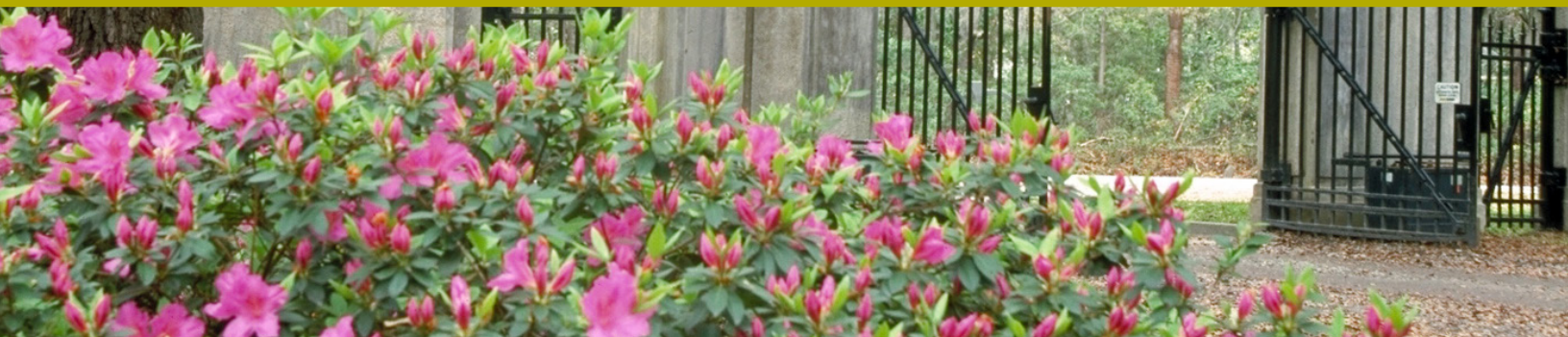
FIDDLER CRAB - SILENT & LIVE AUCTION ITEMS

- Logo placed with auction items
- Sponsor listing on the conference website and in the conference booklet
- Sponsor mentioned at live auction as item is auctioned off
- Sponsor listed next to item as “donated by” at silent auction FRIENDS OF SSPPS

REGISTRATION **INFORMATION**

All attending sponsors must be registered for the conference to attend meals and functions. Please visit the Southeastern State Parks Programs Seminar Website for all registration information and to purchase registrations in addition to those provided with your sponsorship.

GaStateParks.org/SSPPS



CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

(Draft Only)

MONDAY 9TH

9:00AM-7:00PM Arrival/Registration

9:00AM-3:00PM Field Trips

7:00PM-9:00PM Welcome

9:00PM-11:00PM Hospitality Open

TUESDAY 10TH

7:30AM-8:30AM Breakfast

8:30AM-9:00AM Welcome

9:00AM-10:00AM Morning Sessions

10:15AM-11:30AM Statewide Showcases

11:30AM Depart for Skidaway State Park

12:00PM-1:00PM Lunch at Skidaway State Park

1:15PM-3:15PM Explore Skidaway State Park

3:15PM Depart Skidaway for Wormsloe

3:30PM-5:00PM Wormsloe State Historic Site Tour

5:00PM Depart Wormsloe for Desoto

7:30PM Scavenger Hunt Downtown

9:00PM-11:00PM Hospitality Open

WEDNESDAY 11TH

7:30AM-8:30AM Breakfast

8:30AM-10:45AM Statewide Showcases

11:00AM-12:00AM Morning Sessions

12:00PM Depart for Fort McAllister State Park - Lunch on Van

1:00PM-5:00PM Explore Fort McAllister

5:00PM Low Country Boil & Keynote Speaker

6:45PM Cannon Fire

7:15PM Depart Fort McAllister for Desoto

9:00PM-11:00PM Hospitality Open

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE (CONTINUED)

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THURSDAY 12TH

7:30AM-8:30AM

Breakfast

8:30AM-10:15AM

Statewide Showcases

10:30AM-11:30AM

Morning Sessions

12:00PM-1:00PM

Lunch On Your Own

1:00PM-4:00PM

Savannah Downtown

6:00PM-8:00PM

Banquet, Dinner, Auction

9:00PM-11:00PM

Hospitality Open

FRIDAY 13TH

7:30AM-8:30AM

Snacks For Departing

8:30AM

Airport Shuttles Begin

