

DON'T MISS THE GEORGIA AQUARIUM! Thursday July 20th, 2006

There is so much about the Georgia Aquarium that makes it unlike anything visitors have ever experienced before.

First, there are the fish and the animals. More than 100,000 of them. No other aquarium has that many and some of the fish have never been seen before in an aquarium in North America.

Then there are the gallons of water. Eight Million Gallons! More than six million gallons in one habitat alone.

There's the music, created specifically to match the visual experience as you walk through exhibits, and the lighting which somehow seems just right.

But most of all, there are the galleries. Think the Louvre meets Disney World. Or the Ritz at 20,000 leagues under the sea.

Here is just a glimpse of what you will experience at the Georgia Aquarium...

The Georgia Coast Gallery is a highly interactive gallery with a large children's play area and touch tanks full of horseshoe crabs, sea stars, stingrays and shrimp. Several exhibits also feature sea turtles and the fishes of Gray's Reef – the only National Marine Sanctuary off the Georgia Coast.

The River Scout – Freshwater Mysteries Gallery features a river that runs overhead of visitors giving them a unique perspective of the water and a variety of freshwater fish from around the world.

Cold Water Quest – The Chilly Unknown Gallery teams cold ocean water fish and marine mammals in this indoor and outdoor exhibit. A certain attention-getter will be the 800,000 gallon tank in which beautiful beluga whales draw visitors near and mesmerize them as they frolic in the water. As an added bonus, these magnificent creatures will also entertain us during the delicious Southern style dinner.

Ocean Voyager – Journey with Giants Gallery will make visitors feel like scuba divers in an endless blue sea, mesmerized by nearly 100,000 fish, including whale sharks the largest fish in the ocean. This ocean habitat contains more than 6 million gallons of sea water.

Tropical Diver – The Coral Kingdom is truly a paradise under the sea. In this gallery, visitors will walk through mesmerizing jellies, certain to hypnotize them with their movement. Also here are seahorses, fairy basslets, yellow-head jawfish and other jewels of the sea. The living reef exhibit is large with thousands of colorful reef fishes moving throughout.

Please join us for this exciting event during the 10th International Fragile X Conference. Tickets are available for purchase when you complete your conference registration. Tickets include a 2 hour tour of the exhibits and a delicious Southern-style dinner with a private viewing of two breathtaking aquatic environments. Tickets are \$75 for Adults and \$50 for Children