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Atlanta is one of the most accessible cities in the United States – with the world's busiest airport, Amtrak train service, and major interstate highways.

Air Travel

Hartsfield-Jackson International Airport, located south of downtown Atlanta, is a two-hour flight (or less) from 80% of the population of the United States. Atlanta's rapid rail system, MARTA, has a station at the airport. It is a 20 minute ride to the Midtown Station (the closest to Georgia Tech) and costs only \$1.75. See MARTA below for more information. Of course there are also taxi cabs (at least \$32) and shuttles (about \$20) that will take you from the airport to the Georgia Tech campus. See the "Ground Transportation" information on the airport website for more details.

Automotive Travel

For those planning to drive, Atlanta is accessible by three major interstate highways: I-75, I-85, and I-20. **Note:** Atlanta is notorious for its traffic. There is also major ongoing construction to I-75 and I-85 downtown that has closed several exits near the Georgia Tech campus. Your GPS system may direct you to an exit that is currently closed. Driving directions to get to the campus dorms and apartments will be sent to all registrations prior to the festival. Current traffic and construction information is available through the Georgia Navigator website,

Arriving by Bus

Greyhound offers bus service from throughout the United States to Atlanta. The "temporary" station is adjacent to MARTA's Garnett station; take any northbound **MARTA** train to the Midtown Station (see MARTA, below). You can also take a cab from the bus station to the Georgia Tech campus.

MARTA

Atlanta boasts the second-highest rated public transportation system in North America - The **Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority, MARTA**. There is rapid rail ("subway train") service directly from Hartsfield International Airport to the Midtown Station (\$1.75 fare). We will offer shuttle service from this station directly to the Georgia Tech dorms and apartments on the opening and closing days of the festival (i.e., Tuesday and Sunday). Details about the shuttle service will be sent to registrants prior to the festival.

Passenger Train Service

Amtrak's Crescent runs daily from New York to Atlanta and daily between Atlanta and New Orleans. It stops at Brookwood Station between the Buckhead shopping district and Midtown Atlanta. This is less than three miles from the Georgia Tech dorms and apartments.