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## **Lake Lanier Islands Resort Celebrates 15th Annual Magical Nights of Lights**

***Holiday festivities include incredible light displays and special hotel package options***

Rekindle an old tradition or create a new one at Lake Lanier Islands Resort's 15th annual Magical Nights of Lights celebration. Known as the world's largest animated light extravaganza, the holiday celebration begins Saturday, November 17th and runs through Sunday, December 30th, from 5:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

"People of all faiths enjoy the Magical Nights of Lights," said Virgil Williams, managing owner of Lake Lanier Islands Resort. "From our live nativity scene with actors and animals to our Holiday Village with amusement rides and shopping, there is something for everyone."

**Magical Nights of Lights** Under new ownership since August 2005, Magical Nights of Lights features new and improved holiday entertainment and attractions along with its traditional driving tour through more than six miles of giant, illuminated characters that comprise of millions of twinkling lights. Children and adults alike will be dazzled by the festive splendor, including *The Twelve Days of Christmas*, *Santa's Elves at Work*, the *North Pole Express*, the *Animated Sliding Penguin*, *Jack & The Beanstalk*, *Jet-Ski For Two*, a virtual tunnel through *Icicle Bridge* and a stroll down *Candy Cane Lane*.

Presented by Blackshear Place Baptist Church, the live nativity scene premieres December 1, 2007 complete with actors, live animals, manger and First Century-like stable.

After the driving tour and nativity scene, *Holiday Village* is a must-see for everyone, complete with a bonfire for roasting marshmallows, delicious holiday fare, pony and amusement rides, holiday shopping and much more. Look for that perfect Christmas tree to take home with the family and decorate. And what holiday spectacle would be complete without a visit with that jolly old St. Nick? Kids of all ages can take a break from roasting marshmallows and riding ponies to have their photo taken and discuss their holiday wish lists with Santa himself at the *Santa Shop*. Nominal charges apply to the Santa photos, amusement rides, pony rides

and marshmallow roasting.

Entry into Magical Nights of Lights is \$30 per car Monday to Thursday; \$40 per car Friday to Sunday and holidays; \$55 per passenger van and \$150 per bus. For group reservations please call 678.318.7876.

*Prices subject to change. Prices include tax.*

### **Breakfast with Santa at Emerald Pointe Hotel & Conference**

**Center** Kids of all ages can experience the time-honored holiday tradition of having Breakfast With Santa at Emerald Pointe Hotel & Conference Center at Lake Lanier Islands Resort on select dates during Magical Nights of Lights. Santa will be at the Resort from 9 a.m. until 12 noon on December 1-2, 8-9, 15-24 to listen to the children's holiday wish lists, participate in fun holiday activities and feast on a fantastic holiday breakfast buffet. The buffet is \$14.95\* Monday through Saturday and \$14.95\* on Sundays for adults, \$6.95\* for children ages six to 12 and free for children under six. Breakfast is first come, first serve.

*\*Breakfast price subject to change. Breakfast buffet price does not include tax or gratuity*

### **Magical Nights of Lights Overnight Package at Emerald Pointe Hotel & Conference Center**

With holiday packages available at a price even Scrooge can appreciate, turn the visit to Magical Nights of Lights into an overnight getaway at the Emerald Pointe Hotel & Conference Center at Lake Lanier Islands Resort. The Magical Nights of Lights package includes accommodations for a family of five; one vehicle pass through Magical Nights of Lights' displays; complimentary amusement rides for up to three children at the Holiday Village; and Breakfast with Santa\*\* in the Resort's Windows Restaurant. Packages start at \$179\* per night. For package information or reservations, please call 770.945.8787.

*\*Based on availability and prices subject to change. Offer not valid with any other offer or discount. Price does not include tax or resort charge. Package rate of \$179.00 is available Sunday – Thursday. Price increases to \$199 Friday – Saturday. \*\*Breakfast with Santa available on select dates; however, breakfast is included with the package on dates that Santa is not present.*

**Directions** To reach Lake Lanier Islands Resort, take I-85 N to I-985 N to exit 8 (Friendship Road). Turn left on Friendship Road. Friendship Road ends at the Lake Lanier Islands Resort entrance. Or take Georgia 400 to exit 14 (GA Highway-20). Travel east on Highway-20 for ten miles. Turn left

onto Peachtree Industrial Boulevard. Turn left onto Friendship Road. Friendship Road ends at the Lake Lanier Islands entrance.

**About Lake Lanier Islands Resort** Forty-five minutes from northeast Atlanta, Lake Lanier Islands Resort is situated on the shores of Lake Sidney Lanier and is Georgia's most visited lakeside resort destination. The 1,100-acre resort provides a variety of amenities and services. Emerald Pointe Hotel & Conference Center, 30 lakeside cottages, award-winning lakeside golf, scenic horseback riding, spa services, famed wine tasting dinners, campsites and boat rentals from Harbor Landing are currently available for reservations. Each year, the Beach & WaterPark is open during the summertime and Magical Nights of Lights. The world's largest animated holiday light extravaganza takes place mid-November until the end of December. For more information about Lake Lanier Islands Resort visit [www.lakelanierislands.com](http://www.lakelanierislands.com).