

Register Now for Park Pride's 2010 Parks & Greenspace Conference, March 22nd!

Who doesn't love a field trip?

Park Pride's popular annual Parks & Greenspace Conference has included new opportunities for those interested in seeing first-hand how the use and innovation of parks are pertinent issues in today's economy – tours highlighting green park infrastructure and community gardens. But slots are limited and filling.

This year's conference focuses on "The Role of Parks in the New Economy" and takes place Monday, March 22, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., at the Atlanta Botanical Garden. Two unique tours take place, however, the preceding Saturday and Sunday. If you're interested in seeing Atlanta Parks that, in addition to providing active and passive recreational opportunities, meet vital needs like flood control, sewage treatment, reservoir storage, and transportation, sign up for the Green Infrastructure Tour on Saturday, March 20. [view itinerary](#)

If you'd like to experience metro Atlanta's cutting edge efforts that encourage community gardening in parks, visiting four of Atlanta's best community gardens, register for the Community Garden Tour on Sunday, March 21. [view itinerary](#)

Thinking about attending? Act now. Sunday's tour is down to 25 spots; Saturday's to 9. [Register Today](#). Spaces are available first-come, first-served!

And don't forget to also register for March 22's [Parks and Greenspace Conference](#), where you can join in on the recently added Creek Naturalization Tour that will take place in Piedmont Park during one of the afternoon breakouts. Conference sessions will follow four concurrent tracks – Design, Build, Manage, and Community – with presenters from New York, Seattle, Chattanooga, Houston, Washington, Charlotte and Jacksonville. The luncheon keynote address will be "From Brown to Green to Gold – Chattanooga's Success, Atlanta BeltLine's Promise."