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CAPTIONING SCRIPT**

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On the road most every day, looking for a place where you can play, looking for the best place you can stay. From the mountains to the coast, looking for a trip you'll like the most, maybe even find a friendly ghost, we're Georgia Traveler. Well we're from Georgia and we travel, that's why we call it Georgia Traveler, and nothing rhymes with Georgia Traveler, but still we're called the Georgia Traveler.

Woman:

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Woman:

We all have dreams.

Man:

To wear the green jacket.

Woman:

To see wild horses.

Kid:

To catch a major league ball.

Man:

To create memories with my family.

Woman:

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Thank you.

Gerald Bryant:

Hello everybody, and welcome to Georgia Traveler. I'm your tour guide Gerald Bryant. We're here on the city square in Dahlonega, site of America's first gold rush. This week we're visiting the beautiful northeast Georgia mountains. Here's a look at some of the stories coming up.

Gerald Bryant VO:

Joni Mabe shows off her collection of Everything Elvis. Explore the mysteries of the Granite Capital of the World. Celebrate Oktoberfest in Georgia's alpine city of Helen. And discover some of Georgia's most beautiful State Parks.

Gerald Bryant:

We'll have those stories, plus we'll be back to tour Dahlonega, but first a look at some of the sights and sounds you'll see when you visit northeast Georgia.

(Music)

Gerald Bryant VO:

Less than 35 miles east of Dahlonega lies Cornelia, the unlikely home of a shrine to the King.

Gerald Bryant:

This is the Loudermilk Boarding House in picturesque Cornelia, Georgia. It is an historic landmark but more importantly than that -- it is also a panoramic encyclopedia of everything Elvis. That's right, I said "Elvis".

Gerald Bryant VO:

Uh huh

Joni Mabe:

I'm known as Jonie Mabe the Elvis babe and also the queen of the king.

(Music)

Joni Mabe:

I became a fan the day he died, August 16th 1977. When he died that day I heard a tribute on the radio and uh his voice just...I became obsessed with his voice and in in him I uh, started making elvis art at night.

Gerald Bryant:

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This is some of your inspired art...tell us about "Angel Elvis"

Joni Mabe:

Well, it's Elvis, well, he was overweight when he died. So it's a large figure of Elvis with a large love handle on the side. I try not to white wash his image because he was a human and you know he made mistakes. You know he got over weight but who don't. (laugh) But you know when Elvis had the drug problem – there was no such thing as a Betty Ford clinic or Jenny Craig or any weight loss programs like there are today. He could've gotten help if there were things like that around.

Joni Mabe:

Um, most everything you see that's got glitter is usually my artwork. And, uh I collect anything -- magazines and uh tabloid covers. There's been some really great ones over the years. Cause they have said almost everything they could think of about Elvis. One of the them said that Elvis is gay. Which he is definitely not gay and never has not been gay. And Elvis' statue found on Mars

Gerald Bryant:

Here's one – "Statue of Elvis found on Mars. " "Satellite Beams Back – All Shook Up"

Gerald Bryant:

One of my favorites encounter here is – well read it for us...

Joni Mabe:

Elvis Tribe Found in Juggle... and, ah, all these guys have the Elvis hair-do.

Gerald Bryant:

They wear Presley wig and sing "Hound Dog" just like the King. And that's considered "Shocking Proof of Reincarnation" [quote from headlines].

Joni Mabe:

And, and the Elvis hair-do – I guess that tribe's in Africa? I'm assuming it is ...

Gerald Bryant:

It's Brazil.

Joni Mabe:

Oh, Brazil... Anyway I have a barbershop sign from Africa that shows the other haircuts you can order.

Gerald Bryant:

Oh, okay – let's take a look at that.

Gerald Bryant VO:

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Hey, Watch the hair man!

Joni Mabe:

This is a barbershop sign that came from Africa and it shows that different Elvis hairstyles that you can order. (22:46:00)

Gerald Bryant:

Do you have any idea what year that's from?

Joni Mabe:

I don't – I traded some of my artwork for it um around 1990 and uh I collect anything and everything related to Elvis.

Joni Mabe:

There another tabloid (inaudible) -- this one over here -- cow patty in shape of Elvis and Elvis (inaudible) – caveman is good...

Joni Mabe:

Yeah, there's a great one over here called "Smelvis." And, it's a cow patty that came out in a shape of Elvis.

Gerald Bryant:

One of my favorite's is ah, this one over here . [pointing at wall]

Joni Mabe:

Yeah, that's a good one, too. Caveman Looks Like Elvis"

Gerald Bryant:

And um and there's a claim there is a discovery of a Neanderthal's skull that when they did reconstruction on it that it came out looking like Elvis.

Joni Mabe:

Yeah, That's Elvis playpen Einstein and Jesus walking on the water

Joni Mabe:

That's the actual playpen, here. And uh, I bought this in New York Elvis Bust, Einstein and Jesus walking on the water

Gerald Bryant:

Elvis' play pen (JM) No

Joni Mabe:

It's just a shrine that – I like taking heavy things and putting 'em on the wall Things that would normally be on um floor like beds and stuff.

Gerald Bryant:

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Curious about the connection between Jesus, Einstein and Elvis.

Joni Mabe:

Um, I had one fan who analyzes it as the mind, body and soul but it just worked for me – I didn't question it and analyze it to death. So, you know, it would remain fresh all the time for me. So...It just worked and you know that's what happened

Gerald Bryant:

While I am thinking about it – let's take a look at the famous Elvis wart and the Elvis toenail

Joni Mabe:

Well, the most prized and um the most valuable thing I have is the Elvis wart. And uh, it is the strangest thing I have and (laugh) ... The Elvis wart I bought from a doctor in Memphis who had removed it from his right wrist before he went into the army in 1958.

Joni Mabe:

No, I've got people trying to get a hold of it -- so that they can clone Elvis. Which I am against -- cloning Elvis I think it's a bad. And, another reason I don't want it cloned is because a wart is a virus and you would get a viral DNA and plus its in a test tube and I don't want it ever taken out of the test tube um sliced on or whatever, keep it like it is.

Gerald Bryant:

Now what about the famous toenail?

Joni Mabe:

Ah the toe nail clipping. I call it the maybe Elvis nail because I am not 100% sure its Elvis'. But I found it in the shag carpet in the jungle room in 1983. And it was stuck in one of the green fibers. Um, when I went through Graceland I wanted to touch wherever Elvis had touched so I was sorta touching the walls and I wanted to actually touch where he walked. I didn't go in there looking for a toenail and so (laugh) I got on my hands and knees and schemed the floor and it was buried in one of the fibers and I picked it out.

Gerald Bryant:

Now this is a familiar looking item – everybody remembers the Gold lamiae. Tell us about ...piece

Joni Mabe:

Well, this is a replica that I made -- that I let different impersonators wear. And um...

Gerald Bryant:

It must be one of their favorite items to wear

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Joni Mabe:

It is, it is. I think its called the 10,000 dollar suit. But mine didn't cost that much. And they have to provide their own pants. Actually its my daddy's jacket that I covered with gold lamiae. Which was not an easy task.

Joni Mabe:

Now these are polyester shirts from the 70's with the big butterfly collar and Elvis was a big Buford Pusser fan. Right... Anyway, Elvis actually went to his funeral when Buford was killed there in his Corvette. Elvis went to the funeral but he did not want to take away from the funeral – so he stay there in Buford's home during the sermon.

Gerald Bryant:

Caption there says "Buford Pusser gave this shirt to Elvis in '74."

Joni Mabe:

And then Elvis gave this shirt to Buford in '72

Gerald Bryant:

Now is there any evidence that Elvis wore that?

Joni Mabe:

No, (laugh)

Gerald Bryant:

And, if Elvis were alive – I would give him this shirt.

Joni Mabe:

You need a bigger collar (chuckle)

Gerald Bryant VO:

Thank you, thank you very much.

Gerald Bryant VO:

Almost 100 miles southeast of Dahlonega is the Granite Capital of the World- Elberton, Georgia.

David Zelski VO:

What can you find in Elberton, Georgia that's dressed like a Union soldier; has the eyes of a Hippopotamus and a mustache like that of a Pennsylvania Dutchman...or Tom Selleck? The Answer? This guy....

Man:

The Daughters of Confederacy is going to build a monument of the confederacy. They bought in a sculptor from Austria. His name was Arthur Beter.

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David Zelski VO:

Special guests like former confederate Generals James Longstreet and Clement Evans attended the unveiling of this confederate memorial on July 15th 1898, but unfortunately, this what the crowd saw....

Man:

The grand day of the unveiling came and uh, they unveiled him. Instead a gasp went through the crowd because he had on a uh, what looked like a Yankee uniform. And he was short, squat, and ugly. In fact, they say he looked like a fat Pennsylvania Dutchman.

David Zelski:

Elberton's first granite monument was erected here in this public square in 1898, but it only stood for two years. The monument which later became known as "Dutchy," spent most of its life, over 80 years in fact, 6 feet below where I am standing...face down!

Man:

Two years later, in 1900, quote "Brute," went down there uh, during the night and pulled him down. Broke him in three pieces. Lay there two days, they dug a whole, and rode him over in it and uh, added twenty more feet onto the present pedestal and put a Robert E. Lee looking very heroic confederate up there.

David Zelski VO:

In 1982, a few people in town decided to see if the legend was true about where Dutchy was buried...and after digging a couple of holes...there he was...face down in shame.

Man:

We got him out and put him on some rubber tires and took him to a car wash. And uh washed him, and he was almost a clean as he is now and we said it was the best testament in the world for the genuine of Elberton Granite.

David Zelski VO:

The town of Elberton is proud of their title of "Granite Capital of the World", and they should be, it's been a profitable industry in Northeast Georgia for over 100 years. Since Dutchy, there have since been Monuments such as the 50 foot Argo Spire, a newer, more fitting confederate memorial in the town square and the incomparable Granite Bowl, home to the Elbert County Blue Devils.

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Man:

It is a truly magical sports facility. The only one of its kind in the United States. It's been written in national publications as being one the most unique venues for uh high school sports in the country.

David Zelski VO:

About 7 miles up Highway 77 lies another Granite structure that since 1980 has people driving by wondering, "What the heck is that thing" And quite often, they turn their car around and check out these mysterious stones. Welcome to Georgia's Stonehenge, also known as The Georgia Guidestones. In 1979 an anonymous benefactor who went by the alias "RC Christian" met with Elberton banker Wyatt Martin and Pyramid Granite company president Joe Fendley about creating these Guidestones.

Man:

And they wanted to put up a monument to uh, espouse the preservation of the earth and its resources for the good of mankind.

David Zelski VO:

The Guidestones are four large slabs of Granite standing upright, 19 feet high in the form of an X. On four sides of the top centerpiece, it reads "Let these Guidestones be an age of Reason" and on the face of each Granite slab, both front and back are other messages engraved in eight different languages.

David Zelski VO:

The four main stones are topped by a capstone with an astronomical calendar...The center stone has an eye-level, oblique hole drilled so that the North star is always visible. There are rumors that the mysterious man RC Christian got his funding from the Freemasons, but the granite slabs also attract UFO buffs and groups that have performed spiritual rituals. Witches, Druids and Neo-Pagan groups have all visited these stones over the last 25 years.

Man:

Without any formal advertising of any kind, it's drawn a lot of visitors here. It's amazing how many people hear about that thing.

David Zelski VO:

According to this slab on the Georgia Guidestones, there are some amazing, astronomical features. There is also a time capsule under where I'm sitting which means something is buried under here. My guess...Jimmy Hoffa

David Zelski VO:

The Miracle of Dutchy, the Mystery of the Guidestones and the Marvel of the Granite Bowl make Elberton one Georgia destination vacation that literally rocks.

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Gerald Bryant:

And when you visit Dahlonega, we suggest you eat at the Smith House, unless you don't like huge amounts of delicious country food. This place dates back to 1884 and rumor has it there's an actual vein of gold underneath the building. This is exactly the kind of place that our food editor Phil would love, but he's up the road in Helen sampling another kind of cuisine.

Gerald Bryant VO:

Only 30 miles northeast, the scenic mountain highways to Helen offer breathtaking views.

Phil Proctor :

People of Helen, let Oktoberfest begin.

Music

Woman:

Legend has it, there was three founding fathers sitting, having breakfast in Paul's Steakhouse. And one of them said, "Well, you know look at all the traffic going up the street, we need to do something to stop it." And the other one said, "Well I've been to southern Germany and this looks like southern Germany with the river and the hills and all that." And the third one says, "Well, if we can get a drawing of it I can make it." So they contacted a local artist, he had been to Germany, he drew up the sketches, and it went from there.

Woman:

1969, it was a cage beer, on the end of a pick-up truck, with dancing in the streets. 2005, we go through about 600 cages of beer, we have a giant pavilion which holds about twelve hundred people and it's 45 days long versus 2 days.

Phil Proctor VO:

Even though much of Oktoberfest is centered around beer, song and dance, the town of Helen has shops, and activities available year-round...For example the Hansel and Gretel Candy Kitchen, that's sweetened the hills of Helen for years.

Candy store Clerk:

You have a wonderful day. Bye.

Candy Kitchen Owner (male):

This is the Gretel in Hansel and Gretel.

Phil Proctor:

All yes.

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Candy Kitchen Owner:

This is my wife Janet and when we came here, we were just a young couple in our twenties and now, I'm older and she's still a young lady. But, uh, these have been dipped in chocolate and rolled in different nuts. Peanuts, pecans, drizzled with white chocolate over here, these are rolled in M&M type things. Uh, this is a little Halloween guy gotta a little, "Woooooo."

Phil Proctor:

One thing about Phil, I will always find some fantastic foods, and that's exactly what I just found. I'm a chocolate lover. And, I didn't get actually on these trays.

Candy Kitchen Owner:

Okay, some things we have here are finished and some things are waiting. For example, these are our snappers, this is a, it's commonly called a turtle. A turtle is a caramel, pecan patty; ours is called a Chattahoochee snapper.

Phil Proctor:

And I like the pecans because of the health issues that I always try to work with. So, I'm just gonna reach in here and grab one of these, wait a minute I gotta do it again--thank you--just a minute, you know, work with me here.

Candy Kitchen Owner:

And those are home made caramel just cooked in the room across the hall over here. .

Phil Proctor:

Moans

Candy Kitchen Owner:

I know, Yea I know. Yea, been there.

Phil Proctor:

Moans

Phil Proctor:

I know you remember when you used to play in the dirt outside, but playing in chocolate is a whole lot more fun. Alright, so we take it, take it, and we twist it, oh yeah, yeah, I'm beginning to feel—

Vera:

--And take some off. Okay, just like that.

Phil Proctor:

Yep. Alright, just like that. And you bring it over—umm. I'm sorry Vera it didn't make it.

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Vera:
I know.

Phil Proctor:
This is a maraschino cherry um. I'm real...um him. Fantastic. This is good.

Phil Proctor VO:
After filling up on Chocolate, I decided to see what our friend Gerald Bryant was up to...We found him at the nearby Willows Pottery Studio doing his best Patrick Swayze impersonation from the hit movie "Ghost."

Music
Whoa! My love, my darling,
I hunger for your touch,
Alone. Lonely time. 

Gerald Bryant:
Sing to me Emily.

Emily:
No, that's really okay.

Gerald Bryant:
Whoa! My love. my darling,

Emily:
I'll pass.

Gerald Bryant:
My darling, I hunger for your touch

Emily:
I'm gonna just step back now...

Gerald Bryant:
Alone.

Emily:
Hey, we got a wobble (laughter). Somebody was pulling a little too hard.

Gerald Bryant:
Today's program brought to you by the letter "O."

Emily:
(Laughter)

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Phil Proctor VO:

While Gerald's Clay masterpiece was in the oven, I headed back to Oktoberfest to see what was on the grill.

Phil Proctor:

I'm trying to find out what's the best of the wurst. I'm here with June. June, I need to know what is the difference between these four different types of wurst, and what's the best.

June:

Okay, this is our bratwurst, it's all pork, and it has a spicy taste to its flavor. It's one of our best sellers. And then over here is our Kielbasa, it's like a smoked sausage, um and it's all beef, and it's very good as well. And the back here's a knackwurst, it's an all beef as well also.

Phil Proctor:

Okay

June:

It's real good, it's cooked with beer and has a very nice flavor to it.

Phil Proctor:

Cooked in beer? I can understand why it might have a very nice flavor to it.

June:

And then also we have a cheddarwurst, which is a beef and cheddar.

Phil Proctor

Cheddar?

June:

Like a polish sausage

Phil Proctor

It's got cheese in it?

June:

It's got cheese in it.

Phil Proctor:

Cheese in sausage?

June:

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Yes.

Phil Proctor:

It's good? So, that's my plate.

Employee:

Yes.

Phil Proctor:

So what I'm gonna do now is, I'm gonna go sample all of this—look at that beautiful plate, notice the color.

Phil Proctor:

You know I had the chance to sample all the wurst, and this is the cheese wurst. I'm pretty partial to cheese so I think that's my favorite. One thing about it, when you come to Oktoberfest, here in Helen, Georgia, there is no shortage of food, fun, and a lot of different activities. So if you get a chance, come check it out.

Music

Gerald Bryant:

We're gonna wrap up our visit to Helen, Georgia at Joe's Row. It is a corn maize just a few miles outside of Helen. It's a great afternoon or evening of fun for the entire family. Now I have put Phil Proctor at the entrance to the corn maize. I'm at the exit. It's about three miles of quarters back in there. We're gonna see how fast Phil can run it. As an extra incident, I'm going to put a cheesewurst. So, I'm gonna put a clock on Phil and see exactly how long it's going to take--

Phil Proctor:

I heard you say cheese--wurst.

Gerald Bryant:

How you do that?

Phil Proctor:

Well, I had a piece of corn but I heard you say "cheesewurst."

Gerald Bryant:

It's like three miles back there man.

Phil Proctor:

Yea, but I was inspired. It was a cheesewurst.

Gerald Bryant:

I guess that's why they call it Phil's Fantastic Food Facts.

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Phil Proctor:

I guess I'll eat it.

Gerald Bryant VO:

It's no secret that the northeast Mountains are full of breathtaking beauty. Some of the best spots are Georgia State Parks in Dawsonville, Clarkesville, Mountain City and Tallulah Falls.

Keely Walker:

The Appalachian foothills of northeast Georgia are home to a wide variety of state parks, from the highest state park to the smallest state park, each is a unique destination for outdoors enthusiasts of all kinds.

Anthony Lampros:

The Georgia state parks are just teeming with very, very fascinating interesting areas, not just natural areas, but really interesting historical areas too, and cultural areas. And it's just waiting to be explored.

Keely Walker VO:

At 3 thousand, 6 hundred and 43 feet, Blackrock Mountain State Park is the highest state park in Georgia.

Anthony Lampros:

People like to come up and enjoy the cool temperatures. But the splendor of the mountains is perhaps the thing that really strikes people the most. They get out here and they look out over range after range of the Blue Ridge. We can see all the way into the Great Smoky Mountains from here. And it's like a little section of the Tennessee Smokies, just picked up dropped right in here into Northeastern Georgia.

Keely Walker VO:

Camping and hiking are popular activities at Blackrock, especially in the summer when the temperatures are 10 degrees cooler than in Atlanta.

Anthony Lampros:

Well in summer, our average temperature is 69, 70 degrees, which is interesting because it's about the same as Burlington, VT.

Keely Walker VO:

Blackrock Mountain straddles the Eastern Continental Divide sending its rainwater both west to the Mississippi and east the Atlantic Ocean.

Anthony Lampros:

We have sections in our backcountry because of the rainfall and because of the precipitation that we get, where the fern layer is so thick, you can't even see the floor of the forest. It's unreal. It's just that wet. We approach what would be called temperate rain forest conditions, so it's really, really remarkable; real pretty.

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Keely Walker VO:

Blackrock Mountain may be over 3000 feet high...how about a visit to a park that is 1000 feet deep?

Keely Walker VO:

The water started eroding Tallulah Gorge State Park millions of years ago carving a gorge that is almost two miles long and is home to five waterfalls that rapidly move the water from the Tallulah River into Lake Tugaloo. Visitors who came during the heyday of tourism in the late 1800s called it the "Niagra of the South".

Keely Walker VO:

The name "Tallulah" is a Cherokee word that means fearsome. The difficult terrain of the gorge, the roaring water and walls of mist earned the spot a place in Cherokee Legend as an entrance to Hell.

Keely Walker VO:

Early settlers and tourists didn't put much stock in the tales.

Gaye Stovall:

For a long time this was the terminus for the railroad. This was as far as you could go in the state of Georgia. So people would come and stay here, And so for the better part of 20 years, this, Tallulah Gorge, was the hotspot.

Keely Walker VO:

In 1911, a hydroelectric dam was built across the gorge and the tourists dried up along with the water.

Keely Walker VO:

A glimpse into the past is available several times a year when an aesthetic release of water through the dam returns the tempestuous personality of Tallulah Falls back to life.

Keely Walker VO:

Twice men have ventured across the Gorge, both times successfully. Professor Leon made it across on July 24, 1886 and Karl Wallenda repeated the feat 84 years later in the 1970s.

Danny Tatum:

It was a remarkable feat. He started from that side, the north side and walked to the south side, stood on his head twice. Amazing. No safety net; just amazing feat to see. It brought a lot of the people back to Tallulah Falls that hadn't been here in years.

Keely Walker VO:

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In 1994 Georgia Power struck a partnership deal with Georgia State Parks and together they opened Tallulah Gorge State Park to great success offering today's tourists a wide variety of activities.

Danny Tatum:

The major attraction is the gorge itself with the Jane Hurt Yarn Interpretive Center. We have campgrounds, primitive camping, backcountry camping and 20 miles of trails, we have rim trails, and also if anybody wants to go down to the very bottom, they can. We have a suspended bridge and also platforms, and we do have swimming.

Keely Walker VO:

Water plays an important role at another park a park named for the Cherokee word for "tumbling waters".

Keely Walker:

Amicalola Falls is the tallest cascading waterfall east of the Mississippi and is the centerpiece of the park. 784 wooden steps lead visitors to the top of the falls where they can enjoy a nearly 80 mile view.

Elisabeth Pinion:

The park itself is about 900 acres. It has about 12 miles of hiking trails. You can fish in the park. We have a 56-room lodge and 24 campgrounds—24 campsites on the park as well.

Keely Walker VO:

Hiking is one of the most popular activities inside the park. But two of the park's trails actually lead out of the park—one to the Len Foote Hike Inn and the other to Springer Mountain and then all the way to Mount Katahdin in Maine.

Keely Walker VO:

The Appalachian Trail is a hiking trail stretching over 21 hundred miles. The trail was conceived in 1921 and was completed in 1937. Over 3000 people attempt the hike every year.

Elisabeth Pinion:

The statistic is that only 1 in 10 of those will actually make it the entire distance.

Keely Walker VO:

But if 2100 hundred miles is little two daunting for you then the Len Foote Hike Inn might be a better choice.

James Hamilton:

The Len Foote is really a unique place that we're real proud of. It's a five-mile hike from the park up to the hike inn. People just love—it's a pack it in, pack it out

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type facility. Very unique in its design and very unique in the fact of how eco-friendly the building is as well, and we're real proud of that.

Keely Walker VO:

...Something here about the rustic but environmental facilities...

James Hamilton:

Amicalola is really one of our flagships of the whole state park system and it's a very, very popular park. In the late 1980s, the state built a lodge up here on top of the mountain with just a fantastic view looking out.

Keely Walker VO:

But it's the natural splendor of the waterfall that people have come to see for decades. As visitors hike to the top of the falls, the water races to the bottom and to the sea, oblivious to all the attention.

Gerald Bryant:

A lot of people head towards the north Georgia mountains with no particular destination in mind, they just like the scenery. There's a great view here at the Wolf Mountain Vineyards and Winery just a few miles outside of Dahlonega. Georgia's getting a reputation for fine wine, so next time you're in the area you should stop in for a tour and a taste of Southern hospitality north Georgia-style. It's time for us to pack our bags and head for home. Here's a sneak preview of the next Georgia Traveler.

Gerald Bryant VO:

We'll visit two places of botanic beauty with interesting histories. Ride the rails to explore the blue ridge mountains. Find famous barbecue at Colonel Poole's Pig Hill Hall of Fame. And discover the wild west in Cartersville.

Gerald Bryant:

We hope you join us for the next Georgia Traveler. Until our paths cross again, I'm Gerald Bryant wishing you pleasant journeys.

Woman:

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Man:

Located 16 miles east of downtown Atlanta on 3200 acres of natural beauty, Stone Mountain Park features a wide variety of entertainment and recreation for every member of the family. The sky ride offers up close views of the memorial carving. Guests can take a five mile train ride or a paddle wheel river boat cruise. And the crossroads area offers the chance to interact with demonstration crafters. The park also features ride the duck tours and the laser show spectacular. More information is available at stonemountainpark.com.

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