

Hello Water Friends,

My name is Jackie Sherry and I am the new Program Education Specialist for the Water Conservation Office and will be coordinating the Athens Water Festival along with Laurie Loftin.

Plans are underway for the 9th Athens Water Festival. **The event is scheduled for Saturday, September 8, at Sandy Creek Park from 10:30am – 2:00pm.** We invite you and others who promote water conservation, water quality, and general water-related issues to share your message with children and families through hands-on activities and presentations.

Festival Goal: We provide families with a fun environment to increase their knowledge about water. **If you are interested in being a part of this year's water celebration, please return the attached presenter form as soon as possible.** This information will be used for marketing and planning the set-up of our festival space.

Activities: Last year we had an estimated 800 people take part in our event and we expect a similar crowd this year, so activities should be able to accommodate about 150-200 children in a carnival style setting. Your activity should be:

- 1) HANDS-ON/ BRAINS-ON – The activity must involve participants with either a hands-on or brains-on (thinking) activity. Interactive displays, science experiments, arts & crafts, demonstrations, and carnival style games are examples of activities that work well.
- 2) APPROPRIATE FOR A WIDE RANGE OF AGES – We expect our younger participants to be preschool aged to sixth grade. Adults may appreciate written materials to take home.
- 3) FUN AND INTERESTING – Bring interesting equipment, models, or gadgets. Wear a wacky costume or hat. Create an activity that uses all your senses. Use your imagination!
- 4) FACTUAL – Provide accurate information that provides knowledge. Be able to back up your message with data and scientific findings.

As the festival date nears, we will provide you more information regarding festival set up specifics. If you have questions about the festival, you can contact us at any time by calling 706-613-3729 or email jackie.sherry@accgov.com.

We hope you will be able to participate in the Athens Water Festival. Our splash of water education makes people aware of the importance of water in our lives, thus inspiring them to take action to protect this precious resource.

Thank you,

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THE ATHENS WATER FESTIVAL

Saturday, September 8, 2018 – 10:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Sandy Creek Park, 400 Bob Holman Road, Athens, GA

PLEASE RETURN BY 6/1/18 TO:

Mail: Jackie Sherry, Water Conservation Office, 124 E. Hancock Ave, Athens, GA 30601
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GROUP/PRESENTER NAME:

ACTIVITY/DISPLAY TITLE:

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF ACTIVITY:

Meets these specific Georgia Standards of Excellence (optional):

CONTACT PERSON:

MAILING ADDRESS:

PHONE:

EMAIL:

SPECIAL NEEDS: (water, electricity, extra space, etc.)



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For questions, please contact Jackie Sherry, 706-613-3729 or jackie.sherry@accgov.com