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### **Only 99 Days Left Until Georgia State Olympic Style Festival Begins**

**Kennesaw, Georgia-** Calling all amateur athletes, in 99 days, the Georgia State Games Championships will kick off its 17<sup>th</sup> year of Olympic celebration. Over 45 different sporting events, 10,000 athletes and 50+ venues will comprise this year's Georgia State Games Championships to be conducted in the Greater Metro Atlanta Area.

In past year's 139 of Georgia 159 counties have been represented in Georgia State Games Programs. All of Georgia's residents are eligible to register and compete in this is open invitation, grass roots style, State Sports Festival. Historical records have recorded, the youngest participant as 1 and the oldest has been 97. Competitors have ranged from weekend warriors to top Olympians, from elementary school kids to corporate executives.

Register today for your sport of choice online at [www.georgiagames.org](http://www.georgiagames.org). Join the biggest and most exciting sports festival in Georgia.

The Georgia State Games was created in 1989 as a requirement to receive the 1996 Atlanta Olympic bid. The Georgia State Games has been providing a first class sporting event for 17 years. This year the Championships will be held at various venues throughout the metro Atlanta area.

All Georgia residents of any age and skill level are encouraged to participate in the Georgia Games. Online registration is now available at [www.georgiagames.org](http://www.georgiagames.org).

The Georgia State Games is a property of the Georgia Sports Foundation, a 501 c 3 organization which co-operates the Georgia State Games and is a funded through sponsorships, program fees and donations.

The State Games concept was developed in New York in 1978 with the Empire State Games. In 2006, more than 500,000 athletes competed in State Games statewide. State Games feature various sports of the Olympic and Pan American Games as well as sports that have regional popularity within each state and are governed by our national organization the National Congress of State Games a member of the USOC.

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**“It's Not Just a Game...It's The Georgia State Olympic Festival”**