



**GSPA**  
GEORGIA SCHOLASTIC  
PRESS ASSOCIATION

# 2008 Fall Convention

## Oct. 2-3 @ UGA

### Convention Registration Checklist

- If needed, book hotel rooms by Sept. 11 (information below).
- Join GSPA for the 2008-09 school year.
- Complete registration form and send to GSPA office by Sept. 24.
- Either send payment to GSPA by Oct. 3 or bring check to the convention registration desk at the Tate Center.
- If applicable, bring the first issue of your publication for the first-issue competition.
- Bring several copies of your publication to share with other staffs (optional).
- If planning to eat meals in the Tate Center cafeteria, plan on bringing roughly \$6-8 per student for lunch, \$4-6 for breakfast.
- Bring any materials/equipment you need (cameras, laptops, etc.).

### Conference Extras

Registration for the following conference "extras" is at check-in at the conference ...

#### First Issue Competition

Newspaper/newsmagazine staffs are encouraged to bring a copy of their first issue for the competition. Ribbons for best overall, best front page, best news coverage, best opinion coverage, best feature coverage, best sports coverage, best photography and best layout will be awarded.

#### On-site Critique

Newspaper/newsmagazine and broadcast staffs may bring a copy of their product/program for an on-site review by an evaluator. The evaluator will spend 20 minutes with no more than three members of the staff to discuss your product/program. Sign-up is first-come, first-serve at registration.

#### On-the-spot Photojournalism Competition

Participants must bring their own camera and any card readers/cords necessary to download their photos to a PC. The competition will be held on Friday, Oct. 3. Information will be given at registration.

### Hotel Information

A limited number of hotel rooms are being reserved for the GSPA Convention at the Holiday Inn hotels in downtown Athens. The hotels are conveniently located in downtown Athens near several local eateries and just off the campus of the University of Georgia. They are within walking distance of the Tate Center.

Special rates are available for the evening of Thursday, Oct. 2 and Friday, Oct. 3. The majority of rooms available are two double-bed, non-smoking rooms. A few king and queen-size rooms are also available for advisers and chaperones. **To reserve rooms at the special rate, contact the Holiday Inn Athens hotels at 706-549-4433 and ask for the "Georgia Scholastic Press Association block." The deadline to reserve rooms at the special rate is Thursday, Sept. 11.**

Please note that GSPA is not responsible for hotel reservations, including handling room payments. Please plan for separate payments for conference registration and hotel rooms.



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The 2008 GSPA Fall Conference will offer training sessions for broadcast, literary magazine, newspaper/newsmagazine and yearbook staffs. The conference will be held at the Tate Center on the campus of the University of Georgia. Sessions will be offered from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 2, and 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 3.

Early registration fee: \$15 per student, two-day registration  
 \$12 per student, one-day registration  
**Early registration deadline is Sept. 24, 2008**

*Please PRINT or TYPE all information required and send or fax to the GSPA office. Early registration must be received by Sept. 24, 2008. Payment is accepted at registration of the conference or can be mailed to GSPA. Meals are not provided at the conference. Meals are available at a variety of restaurants near the host hotel or at the Tate Center cafeteria.*

*PLEASE NOTE: GSPA membership for the 2008-09 school year is required for registration. If you are not a GSPA member, please submit a completed membership form with your registration and include membership dues with your payment.*

School Name \_\_\_\_\_ Adviser Name \_\_\_\_\_

Publication Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Media  Newspaper/newsmagazine  Yearbook  Broadcast TV  Literary Magazine

Adviser Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_ Adviser E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Registration type:  Two-day (\$15 per student)  One-day (\$12 per student)

Number of advisers/chaperones attending \_\_\_\_\_ Total cost: FREE

**Names of advisers/chaperones (continue on separate sheet if necessary)**

1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_

Number of students attending \_\_\_\_\_ Total cost \_\_\_\_\_

**Names of students (continue on separate sheet if necessary)**

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 2. \_\_\_\_\_ 8. \_\_\_\_\_  
 3. \_\_\_\_\_ 9. \_\_\_\_\_  
 4. \_\_\_\_\_ 10. \_\_\_\_\_  
 5. \_\_\_\_\_ 11. \_\_\_\_\_  
 6. \_\_\_\_\_ 12. \_\_\_\_\_

*Please fax completed form to 706-542-2183 or mail to GSPA, Grady College, 120 Hooper Street, Athens, GA 30602-3018.*

*A confirmation will be e-mailed back to you upon receipt of registration.*

*Questions? Call 706-542-5022 or e-mail jodennis@uga.edu. Visit [www.gspa.uga.edu](http://www.gspa.uga.edu) for updated conference information.*