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URBAN EXPLORER'S HANDBOOK 2008: PEOPLE, PLACES AND THINGS *Creative Loafing's* fourth annual guide to the city maps out the best things to see and do

ATLANTA — For the fourth year in a row, *Creative Loafing* has put together the ultimate guide to the city, Urban Explorer's Handbook, and this year's edition is the most comprehensive yet. This nifty pullout guides readers to intown neighborhoods, suburban villages and the whole metro area — each with maps to direct you to the best in restaurants, nightlife, attractions, civic groups and good causes.

As metro Atlanta's premier resource for what to explore in the city, we've stepped it up notch by launching a brand new website, www.atlurbex.com, to accompany the print version. This new website invites user comments and reviews of the very places we're mentioning in the handbook. "There are a lot of websites that call themselves city guides," says *CL* Editor Ken Edelstein. "Our advantage is that we really know Atlanta. We have a staff of award-winning journalists whose job is to find out what's going on in every nook and cranny of the city."

This 72-page full-color issue features 16 neighborhoods and four suburban villages with hundreds of well-researched listings, comprehensive maps, and special showcases of the 2008 theme "People, places and things" for different neighborhoods throughout the city. Readers will also get to enjoy colorful, striking images from *CL's* Staff Photographer Joeff Davis.

This year's Urban Explorer's Handbook brings back the popular Cityscape, a feature that guides readers to getting around the city whether on MARTA or other public transit. Ready to get off the couch and out into our amazing city? Check off the two-dozen activities we've counted down, including six natural attractions and three historic houses. The 2008 handbook also features a list of fun events that will keep readers busy for the rest of the year, and then some!

The 2008 Urban Explorer's Handbook hits streets March 26 and is online at www.atlurbex.com.

