



Camille Love and Robert Battle

Night with Ailey Reception

"Night with Ailey Reception" hosted by Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater's Artistic Director, Robert Battle, was held last Thursday at the Livingston Restaurant (located in the Georgia Terrace Hotel). The Company will return to the fabulous Fox Theatre from Feb. 13 to Feb. 16. Ailey's extraordinary dancers will grace the stage for five inspiring performances with an exciting collection of premieres and new productions from a wide range of celebrated choreographers. Photos by RobinLori Photography LLC.

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Atlanta Wedding at The Georgian Terrace by Jessica Williams Studio

From the moment Allison took her first step down the aisle, she knew nothing would ever be the same. Wearing a stunning gown adorned in jeweled accents and rosette clusters, the bride had made sure to honor her family heritage with jewelry from her grandmother and mother lovingly placed in her bouquet. She and Scott exchanged their vows with a traditional ceremony before leading their guests in a two-block wedding march right up the center of Peachtree Street and into the opulent [The Georgian Terrace](#). The ballroom, decorated in tones of soft blush and shades of champagne and gold, lent an heir of romantic elegance to the already splendid atmosphere while guests arrived to enjoy cocktails named for the bride and groom. Celebration ensued as Allison and Scott surprised everyone by dancing the rumba to their favorite song, and a three-course dinner was served to the tune of a live band playing classic standards. It was an unforgettable party, enjoyed literally to the last drop as guests were offered Krispy Kreme Doughnuts and coffee to top off the evening. This city celebration is brought to you by [Jessica Williams Studio!](#)

Please give us an overview of the event.

We started the day getting ready at the Georgian Terrace Hotel, then met at the Lutheran Redeemer Church. The ceremony was at 5pm followed by the wedding march down Peachtree Street to the last drop as guests were offered Krispy Kreme Doughnuts and coffee to top off the evening. This city celebration is brought to you by [Jessica Williams Studio!](#)

Tell us about the food and desserts.

Cocktail hour featured passed hors'oeuvres including sea scallops with ponzu dipping sauce, tuna tartar on fried won tons with wasabi aioli, fresh mozzarella skewers, pulled pork on mini buttermilk biscuits and lobster bisque shooters. We added blinking lights to blush champagne, creating a very pretty and unique toast, that matched our pink / blush tones. We offered a "Stinsonini" drink (Stinson is Scott's last name and my new name!), infusing our blush and gold theme, using pink lemonade, vodka and gold sugar rimmed glasses. The family named drink was truly a hit during the cocktail hour. First Course was a Maryland style crab cake with bibb lettuce salad and grain mustard dressing. Main Course was the option between Herb Roasted Chicken with Lemon-Pepper Veloute or Petite Filet and Grilled Salmon with Béarnaise Sauce. Desserts included wedding cake, grooms cake, and liquor infused fruit.

A big splurge was the grooms cake. I knew I wanted to surprise my husband with his dog, in cake form. I also knew that 3 dimensional animals can be very difficult to create. I went through about 10 bakeries until I found what I was hoping for....and wow! did they do a good job. They recreated a picture I sent them and the cake turned out to be very life-like. It was a huge hit! My husband was so surprised and he absolutely loved it. Our guests couldn't take enough pictures of the grooms cake....I think it even landed on more facebook pages than any part of the wedding! (It even tasted great.)

Wedding Professionals

Venue: [The Georgian Terrace](#) | Catering: [Livingston Restaurant + Bar](#) | Photography: [Jessica Williams Studio](#) | Floral & Decor: [La Petite Fleur](#) | Linens: [I Do Linens](#) | Band: [The Moxie Band](#) | Stationery: [Especially Yours Design](#) | Event Planner: Dana Kicklighter of [The Georgian Terrace](#) | Videography: [The Pros](#) | Cake: [Frosted Pumpkin](#) | Grooms Cake: [Highland Bakery](#) | Drumline: Newton County High School, Georgia | Street Closing: Randall Fox



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IT'S ROBIN LORI!

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Restaurant

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ALVIN AILEY VIP RECEPTION WITH ARTISTIC DIRECTOR ROBERT BATTLE

My year is off to a great start! Thursday, I had the pleasure of attending a private reception hosted by Robert Battle, Artistic Director of Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater at the Livingston Restaurant (located in the Georgia Terrace Hotel).

The reception also served as the “kick off” of another fabulous season with this AMAZING dance production in Atlanta beginning **February 13th to 16th**. Led by Robert Battle, Ailey’s extraordinary dancers will grace the historic **Fox Theatre** stage for five inspiring performances!

I attended the VIP reception last year and I must say... Mr. Battle is ALWAYS graceful and kind to all of his guest. Take a look at a few pics I snapped. Special thanks to the Edelman Team for the invite!



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Adventurous Tastes

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Atlanta Valentine's Day Options

Wasn't it just Christmas? And yet somehow it's almost Valentine's Day. Love it or hate it, the candy hearts and pricey prix fixe dinners will be here in a just a couple weeks.

The trifecta of Valentine's Day celebrating is flowers, sweets and a nice dinner out. Here are some options for each...

Livingston Restaurant & Bar

Executive Chef Michael Semancik is preparing a 3-course dinner for \$50 per person, including a glass of champagne served with dessert. This menu will be available on both Friday, February 14 and Saturday, February 15. Visit Livingston online to view a complete menu for this event.

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Valentine's Dinner

Event Dates:
2/14/2014 - 2/15/2014

Location: Livingston Restaurant
& Bar
659 Peachtree St. NE
Atlanta, GA 30308

Phone: 404.897.5000
Location Phone: 404.897.5000

Treat your Valentine to a very special three course dinner in one of Atlanta's most beautiful and iconic restaurants, Livingston Restaurant + Bar. Executive Chef Michael Semanik is preparing a 3-course dinner for \$50 per person, including a glass of champagne served with dessert. This menu will be available on both Friday, February 14 and Saturday, February 15. Visit Livingston online to view a complete menu for this event.

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VALENTINE'S DAY 2014 DINING OPTIONS



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February 2014

Flavorful food and drink spice up Atlanta's culinary scene

by Carolyn Blackburn



If the way to someone's heart is through their stomach, as the saying goes, the South undoubtedly has scores of admirers. In the Atlanta area alone, planners will find a celebrated culinary scene featuring new restaurants, classes, tours, farmers markets and more to delight attendees' taste buds.

Fun-filled foodie festivals are also found here year-round and serve as built-in entertainment for groups that hold a meeting at the same time.

The options include the Atlanta Food & Wine Festival, held annually at the end of May for four days, the Atlanta Street Food Festival, showcasing top Atlanta-area food trucks during the summer, and Taste of Atlanta, held in October and featuring food samples from



some of Atlanta's best restaurants.

Atlanta's new group-friendly restaurants include The Optimist, which was named among the best new restaurants in America for 2013 by Bon Appetit magazine, and White Oak Kitchen & Cocktails, located in Atlanta's downtown convention corridor.

At The Optimist, which serves high-quality, sustainable seafood, attendees will enjoy sharing fresh appetizers like shrimp a la plancha and Maine mussels. And at White Oak, where the menu is Southern-inspired, specialty cocktails include the bourbon-based Atlantian and the rye-based Ryeders on the Storm.

According to Kristin Delahunt, manager of convention services at the Atlanta CVB, there are several other standout options for groups interested in incorporating the area's cuisine scene into an itinerary.

MEETING FOCUS

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SweetWater Brewing Company is the South's second-largest craft brewery and a memorable venue choice for gatherings and tours.

"The space is very cool and lends itself to a fun event," Delahunt says. "Additionally, local caterers like Bold American and Proof of the Pudding can create menus featuring local foods that pair really well with the beers."

Another popular option is Third Space, where groups can participate in cooking classes and team-building exercises, and have meal functions, meetings and other events.

Livingston Restaurant and Bar, housed in the glamorous Georgian Terrace Hotel, which hosted *Gone with the Wind's* premiere party, "gives groups a sense of Atlanta's rich history while maintaining a modern and elegant feel," Delahunt says.

"Livingston is housed in the historic Georgian Terrace hotel, where Clark Gable has hung his hat, among others," she says. "The space is very flexible, with plenty of room on the outdoor terrace to do cocktails on a nice day."

And at the World of Coca-Cola, which celebrates the soft drink that was formulated in Atlanta in 1886, is the Taste It! beverage lounge.

In this fun event venue, groups can sample 64 different Coca-Cola brands from around the world and arrange for Proof of the Pudding hors d'oeuvres that pair perfectly with a cold rum and Coke, including small beef burgers and grit cakes.

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EVENTS Atlanta Valentine's Day events for the single, taken, or confused



Valentine's Day is coming up, and once again love is in the air ... or so we're told. But let's be honest for a minute, what's this holiday *really* about? Last year, **CNN reported** that Valentine's Day spending would reach **\$18.6 billion**, **51 percent of people** buy a dozen of the **224 million roses** planted, and that on average, a person spends **\$130.97 on Valentine essentials**.

So what about Valentine's Day dining, the day where **restaurant sales boost 6.1 percent**? Whether you're single, confused or taken, here's what Atlanta restos have in store:

If you're single, or just pissed off at love.

Livingston

Executive Chef Michael Semancik is preparing a prix-fixe dinner including free champagne with dessert. **Details**

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THE LIFE & TIMES OF A SOUTHERN NEWLYWED

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Restaurant + Bar

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Impressions: N/A

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Atlanta Travels for Business and Pleasure!

What a week this has been! When I pulled into our country driveway this afternoon, it was wonderful to see all of the comforts of home.

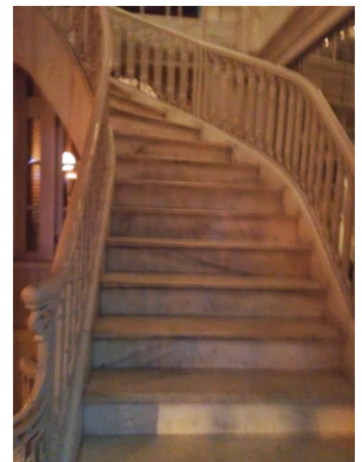
Most of my readers know that I work for **Georgia Tech** and I have to travel often for my job. It is wonderful working for such a prestigious university! I just returned today after a few days in Atlanta and I have tons of pictures from my trip. This trip was a little more special because I got to stay at the **Georgian Terrace Hotel**. I normally stay in another hotel but because of several conferences and meetings being held in midtown this week, I had to go to a different locale. Not a problem! I have always loved the movie "**Gone with the Wind**" so staying at the Georgian Terrace was right up my alley!

I arrived a little later in the afternoon and was told that the standard room I reserved was actually sold out. I thought to myself "Oh great! Now I'm going to have to pay more for another room."

Before I could ask how much it was going to cost me, the sweet lady behind the counter said "We are sold out of almost everything, except for our penthouse suites. Are you okay with going to a petite penthouse suite?" Needless to say, I said yes!

I have been lucky to travel a lot during my career but I was really taken aback by the beauty and elegance of the hotel and the guests rooms. Take a look at a few of the pictures of my gorgeous room at the Georgian Terrace in midtown Atlanta.

The history of the hotel goes back over 100 years and includes various renovations, star-studded guest lists and historic past in Atlanta. After the 1939 screening of "**Gone with the Wind**" at the **Loews Theater** in Atlanta, **Vivien Leigh** and **Clark Gable** attended the World Premier Reception and Gala in the ballroom of the Georgian Terrace. Take a look at a few of the pictures of the ballroom today. While I was taking pictures, the hotel staff was setting up for an event so it is a little messy. Even among the mess, you can't deny the beauty and elegance of the ballroom.



Vivien Leigh descended this very set of marble stairs.

THE LIFE & TIMES OF A SOUTHERN NEWLYWED

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I still can't get over the beauty of this hotel. The in-house restaurant on the grounds of the Georgian Terrace is [Livingston](#). Named after a former mayor of Atlanta who had a home on the property before the hotel was built, [Livingston Mims](#) was actually from South Carolina and a raging Democrat. Imagine that; an outspoken Democrat as mayor of Atlanta or as a southern politician at all. Us southerners are now famous or infamous for being Republicans. Depends on how you look at it I guess. :)

Among Livingston Mims many accomplishments, he was a founding member of the [Capital City Club](#). On the premises of the hotel, there is also a cafe/coffee shop named Mims Cafe. Mims is also named in honor of Livingston Mims.

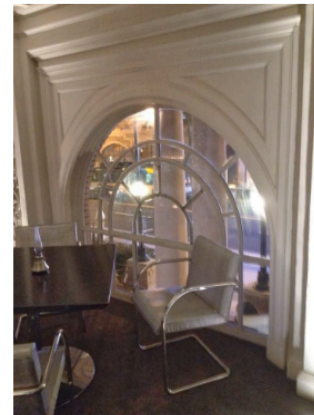
Here are a few pictures from my dining experience at Livingston. The patrons were lively, trendy, and very metropolitan. Many had stopped in for drinks before a show at the [Fox Theater](#) across the street from the hotel.



Theater patrons/Livingston guests.



My tasty meal. Check out the [menu here](#).



A view of the Fox Theater through the original windows of the hotel.

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Electric Role in RoboCop**

Rising Stars
Lucy Hale & Fifth Harmony

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Stuff:
New Gyms,
Beauty Lines
& More

ONE HUNDRED & ELEVEN MUST-TRY TASTES



From five-star favorites to delicious little dives, we found so many must-try tastes around A-Town this year, we had to bump this list from 101 to 111! But, hey, we don't think you'll mind the extra apps, entrees, drinks and desserts rounding out our ultimate cravings wish list. Plus, we asked a few of our favorite chefs to divulge their guilty pleasures, giving you an insider's look at where the experts head after hours. So whether you're craving something sweet, salty or, ahem, boozy, feel free to bust out your stretchy pants and cleanse your palate with this feature that's sure to please. Ready, set, nosh!

By The Editors
With contributors by Kate Alvey, Kelsey Seiford, Jennifer Bradley Franklin, Anna Harris, Austin Hill, Kate Parkers, Aravia Paulik and Kelly Slosser

Churros
Skip the amusement park and head straight to **Zocalo Mexican Kitchen & Cantina** for the city's best churros, dusted with cinnamon sugar and served with a side of chocolate sauce for dipping. Eat in or get them to go! \$5, Midtown, @zocaloatlanta



Sweet Potato Tots
We're onboard with pretty much anything Richard Blais cooks up at **Flip Burger Boutique**, but we're really gaga for his bite-size sweet potato tots served with coffee barbecue spice and whipped blue cheese dressing for dipping. Inane! \$4, various locations, @flipburger

Pimento Cheese and Bacon Omelet
Globs of Southern-style sharp cheddar pimento spread are tucked inside fluffy eggs and topped with pecanwood-smoked bacon. Thankfully breakfast is served all day at **West Egg Café**, so you can always indulge your inevitable, insatiable craving for this creation whether it's 8AM or 8PM. \$10, Westside, @westeggcafe

Roti Ke-Yow Whan
Transport yourself to Bangkok without even boarding a plane with just one bite of crispy roti paired with a flavor-packed spicy green curry dipping sauce from **Tuk Tuk Thai Food Loft**. \$9, Buckhead, @tuktuktat



Macarons
Simple elegance permeates these beautifully crafted cookies—offered in an almond flour base or in French-style meringue. Slightly crunchy, slightly chewy, flavors change with the season and the baker's whims at **The Café at Cakes & Ale**, though we're particularly fond of strawberry. \$2, Decatur, @cakesandale_

Virginia Highland Roll
There's a lot of amazing sushi in ATL, but we're especially sweet on **Genki Noodles & Sushi's** Virginia Highland roll, made with spicy tuna and mango topped with escolar, avocado, fresh jalapeno and masago. \$11, Virginia-Highland, @genkiatl

Seared Escolar Crudo
Served on a sizzling salt block over a bed of pebbles, this white fish sears as you fork into chef Tyler Williams' artful app occasionally on the menu at **Woodfire Grill**. Giving the light fish a delicious balance are roasted chestnuts, mushrooms in brown butter and a bright pop of aged sherry. \$10, Buckhead, @woodfiregrill

ONE HUNDRED & ELEVEN MUST-TRY TASTES



Free-Range Chicken Liver "Gyoza"
The Georgian Terrace Hotel's upscale **Livingston Restaurant + Bar** serves up their own take on Japanese dumplings, with Georgia peanut and cherry sauce, and crispy kale, via chef Michael Semancik's new dinner menu. \$9, Midtown, @livingstonatgt

Tofu Tacos
Adding to the roster of nightlife spots heating up O4W, **Mother** offers a paired-down menu that features these crispy tacos smothered in an Asian-inspired ginger slaw. (Bonus: They're only \$2 on Tuesdays). \$7 for two, Old Fourth Ward, @mother447



Fresh Maine Lobster Roll
Head to **Atlanta Fish Market** for lunch and try chef Robert Holley's seriously scrumptious lobster roll served up on a butter-toasted New England bun with a side of Maryland fries. He whips this one up fresh every day! \$18, Buckhead, @atlfishmarket

"The potato gnocchi with mushroom Bolognese, parsnip and pecorino at **Cakes & Ale** warms your soul with a great balance of flavor and texture."

Kevin Rathbun, chef and owner, Kevin Rathbun Steak, KR Steakbar and Rathbun's



Chef's Pick

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