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Event Location:

Georgia Highlands College (GHC)
5441 GA-20, Cartersville, GA 30121

Trailer Parking:

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5441 GA-20, Cartersville, GA 30121
Trailer parking is \$20 for the entire event. 24-hour paid security will be provided. All trailers must be removed by noon on Sunday.

Host Hotel:

Courtyard by Marriott Cartersville **SOLD OUT!**

Additional Hotel:

Hilton Garden Inn Cartersville
24 Liberty Drive, Cartersville, GA 30121
King \$169, 2 Queens \$179
Booking Link: group.hiltongardeninn.com/shhe3w

RV Camping:

Winding Waters Riverfront RV Resort
580 Joe Frank Harris Pkwy SE
Cartersville, GA 30120
770-415-1919, Info@windingwatersrv.com
windingwatersrv.com

Schedule

Thursday, March 26

12 – 6 p.m. Trailer Parking Open, GHC
4 p.m. – dark Welcome Reception, Old Car City USA. Free shuttles leave from Courtyard.

Friday, March 27

9 a.m. – 4 p.m. Trailer Parking Open, GHC
9 a.m. – 4 p.m. Swap Meet & Car Corral Vendors Move-in, GHC
9 a.m. – 4 p.m. Registration Pick Up, Courtyard
9 a.m. – 4 p.m. Merchandise Sales Open, Courtyard
9:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. Excursions: Free shuttles leave from Courtyard.
10 – 11 a.m. Membership Roundtable, GHC Student Center
11 a.m. – 12 p.m. Race Car & 2-Wheel Certification, GHC
12 – 2 p.m. Judging School, GHC Student Center
3 – 5 p.m. Savoy Automobile Museum Tour
5 – 7 p.m. Meet & Greet, GHC Student Center
6 – 9 p.m. Dinner On Your Own, Historic Downtown Cartersville. Free shuttles leave from Courtyard.

Saturday, March 28

8 a.m. Show Field Opens, GHC
8 – 11 a.m. Registration Pick Up, GHC
8 a.m. – 3 p.m. Merchandise Sales Open, GHC
8 a.m. – 3 p.m. Swap Meet Open, GHC
8 a.m. – 3 p.m. Car Corral Open, GHC
8 – 9 a.m. Judges Breakfast, GHC Student Center
9:30 a.m. Continuing Judges Education, GHC Student Center
9:30 a.m. Owners Briefing, on show field right outside GHC Student Center
11 a.m. Vehicle Judging Begins, GHC
11 a.m. – 3 p.m. Car Show Display Open, GHC
6 – 9 p.m. Awards Banquet, GHC Student Recreation Center

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2026 AACA Winter Nationals

March 26-28 • Cartersville, GA

Georgia Highlands College



**Registration Deadline Extended:
March 6**

Join Us!

The Lake Allatoona Region invites you to attend the AACA Winter Nationals on the beautiful new campus of Georgia Highlands College in Cartersville, GA. The Courtyard by Marriott Cartersville across from the college serves as our host hotel.

We will begin our activities with a visit to Dean Lewis' world famous 'Old Car City' on Thursday and taste a bite of authentic southern flavor courtesy of Wes-Man's restaurant.

On Friday morning, you will be able to choose from four different excursions all with complimentary shuttle services. You will be back in plenty of time to tour the new highly acclaimed Savoy Automobile Museum and enjoy a special presentation in the 300-seat theater by the ever-flamboyant Tom Shinall, Director of Development. After touring the Savoy, join us for our Meet & Greet at Georgia Highlands College in the soaring Great Hall student center for hors d'oeuvres and drinks.

Saturday, Georgia Highlands College's spacious and beautiful landscaped grounds will showcase several hundred registered cars judged by AACA Guidelines. Abundant paved parking is also available on site for your trailers. The Swap Meet, Car Corral and many vendors will be located throughout the premises. To conclude, a dinner banquet and the awards presentation at Georgia Highlands College featuring a celebrity guest speaker will cap off this memorable event.

Don't wait! Register now while space is available to attend this premiere event and experience true Southern hospitality only in Cartersville, Georgia... Museum City!!

Also happening Saturday from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m., the 18th Annual Northwest Georgia Women's Expo at the Clarence Brown Conference Center located next to our host hotel. Complimentary tickets are available for all AACA Winter Nationals participants.

Special Activities

Thursday, March 26 - 4 p.m. - dark

Welcome Reception at Old Car City USA: Enjoy the company of your fellow AACA members as you wander through a forest of vintage automobiles where rust, color, and nature intertwine to create one of the world's most fascinating outdoor galleries. Hors d'oeuvres and drinks will be served.

Friday, March 27 - 9:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Explore Cartersville Museum City by choosing ONE of four morning excursions. Lunch is on your own. Free shuttle services to and from the hotel courtesy of Cartersville Museum City, cartersvillmuseumcity.com.

1. Historic Downtown Cartersville: Discover boutique shopping, local art, historic sites and Southern flavors in Historic Downtown Cartersville. Includes transportation.

2. Booth Western Art Museum: Experience the American West through paintings, sculptures, photography, and a renowned Presidential Gallery that brings history to life in this Smithsonian-affiliated Museum. Includes transportation, museum entrance fee, and self-guided tour.

3. Etowah Indian Mounds: Explore ancient earthworks along the peaceful Etowah River and experience the stories of the people who once thrived here. Includes transportation, museum entrance fee, and a docent-led tour. Please Note: Much of this tour is outdoors and includes walking.

4. Tellus Science Museum: Discover the wonders of science—from sparkling gems and towering dinosaurs to hands-on exhibits that inspire curiosity in every age in this Smithsonian-affiliated Museum. Includes transportation and self-guided tour.

Friday, March 27 - 3 - 5 p.m.

Tour & Special Presentation at the Savoy Automobile Museum: Celebrate artistry and innovation of the automobile through stunning exhibits that connect people to the cultural diversity of the automobile.

Friday, March 27 - 5 - 7 p.m.

Georgia Highlands College Meet & Greet: Join us for our version of happy hour! Hors d'oeuvres and drinks will be served.



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Registration: To register for this event, you can return the registration card with payment or [register online with a credit card at AACA.org](http://AACA.org). The deadline to register is now March 6, 2026.

Swap Meet & Car Corral: Spaces are 10' x 30' and available for \$25 each. You must be a current AACA member to participate.