



What's Around City Hall Scavenger Hunt

Savannah's City Hall is a monumental building constructed between 1903 and 1906. It is also surrounded by many interesting and historical sites, structures, and works of art. Can you find them all?

ALONG BAY STREET

1. Are you a little sleepy? Well so was General James Oglethorpe after leading the English colonists in the settlement of Georgia in 1733. *Can you find the monument that celebrates him? What does it look like? What did he do at this site?*
2. Find a majestic imaginary beast surrounded by famous faces looking out over Bay Street. *What kind of creature is it? What building is it in front of?*
3. "George" and "Martha" are the nicknames for the items on display just east of City Hall. *What are they and what U.S. President gifted them to the Chatham Artillery? How old are "George" and "Martha"?*
4. Somewhere on Bay Street, something old is hung inside something that only looks old. *What is it?*

ALONG RIVER STREET

5. Behind City Hall stands a proud family. *Look closely at the African American Monument and list 3 details that make this work of art distinct.*
6. At least six large ships have been named in honor of Savannah. One of them is still steaming along River Street with a monument dedicated to it. *Which one?*
7. Four arches march up the ramp from City Hall. *List three things these vaulted spaces were used for throughout history.*
8. The world once split apart, but the sacrifices of many helped heal it. *Find Savannah's World War II monument. What are the two medals that are represented inside the globe?*



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Answers:

Along Bay Street

1. The Oglethorpe Bench Monument is just west of City Hall, in front of the Hyatt. It is a curved bench commemorating where Oglethorpe pitched his tent on his first night in Savannah in 1733.
2. "The Red Lion" is a terra cotta winged lion fountain in front of the Savannah Cotton Exchange.
3. George Washington gifted the cannons, nicknamed "George" and "Martha." As of 2020, they are 262 years and 264 years old.
4. The City Exchange Bell was cast in 1802 and hangs in a replica of the City Exchange cupola (the City Exchange was torn down in 1904).

Along River Street

5. The African American Monument depicts 4 family members cast in bronze with broken chains at their feet and dressed in modern clothes. The stone base is carved with a Maya Angelou quote, waves, and raised hands bound by shackles and chains. There is a plaque to Dr. Abigail Jordan's contributions.
6. The S.S. *Savannah* was the first steamship to cross the Atlantic Ocean, in 1819.
7. The Cluskey Embankment Stores, a series of four vaults on the ramp by City Hall, have been used for a variety of functions, including storage, barrel making, and as an observatory for map making.
8. The World War II Monument features a Purple Heart and a WWII Victory Medal.