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Recycling Tips

Do you have a pair of worn-out athletic shoes that you don't wear anymore? How about electronics that you're not sure what to do with? Bring your old sneakers and personal E-waste to Georgia Tech's 16th Annual Earth Day Celebration on Friday, April 19th (10 am – 3 pm) on Tech Walk and they will be recycled! For more information, please visit the Georgia Tech [Earth Day Website](#).

Georgia Tech's 16th Annual Earth Day Celebration

Friday, April 19th (10 am – 3 pm) at Tech Walk

Georgia Tech's annual Earth Day Celebration is one of the largest in the Southeast. The event is free and open to the public, and features over 70 exhibitors, eco-friendly giveaways, recycling opportunities, a clothing swap, an office supply exchange, live music, and free organic popcorn. Please join us on Friday, April 19th from 10am-3pm at Tech Walk!



The Earth Day Celebration has something for everyone! The complete schedule is listed below, and online at www.earthday.gatech.edu. You can also keep up with the latest updates and announcements on the Georgia Tech Earth Day FaceBook page.



Earth Day Schedule

Here is the stage schedule of events for Georgia Tech's 16th Annual Earth Day Celebration:



Friday, April 19, 2013 (10 am – 3pm) at Tech Walk

10:50 AM	Welcome to Earth Day
11:00 - 11:50 AM	The Tides (Band)
11:20 - 11:30 AM	Tech Green Awards
12:00 - 12:50 PM	Elementary Penguins (Band)
12:20 - 12:30 PM	T-Shirt Design Winner
1:00 - 1:20 PM	Elementary Penguins (Band)
1:20 - 1:30 PM	Booth Contest Awards
1:30 – 1:50 PM	Captain Planet vs. Bag Monster
2:00 - 2:50 PM	HBJ (Band)
2:20 - 2:30 PM	Poetry by Tawny Powell



Don't miss the epic battle between Captain Planet and the evil Bag Monster! They will face off at the Earth Day stage (at the Campanile) at 1:30 pm on Friday, April 19th.

All-day events and activities:

- Clothing Swap
- Office Supply Exchange
- Green Challenge Triathlon
- Electronics Recycling
- Free organic popcorn
- Informational Booths
- Green Market
- Shoot the Shoes (Athletic Shoe Recycling)
- Mascots: Captain Planet, Reynard the Fox, and Bag Monster
- Deconstructed maze: get a free Earth Day T-shirt (while supplies last)

Tech Beautification Day

On Saturday, March 30, hundreds of students took part in Tech Beautification Day, an annual volunteer event at Georgia Tech. Student volunteers spent the morning helping out with various landscaping and cleanup projects on campus. This year, three of the projects benefitted the recycling program. Students helped to clean up the community recycling center on east campus, paint a mural at one of the recycling alcoves in the Klaus building, and install signs at four of the outdoor recycling sites. Thank you to the student volunteers, Tech Beautification Day coordinators, and Georgia Tech Landscape Services for all of your hard work!



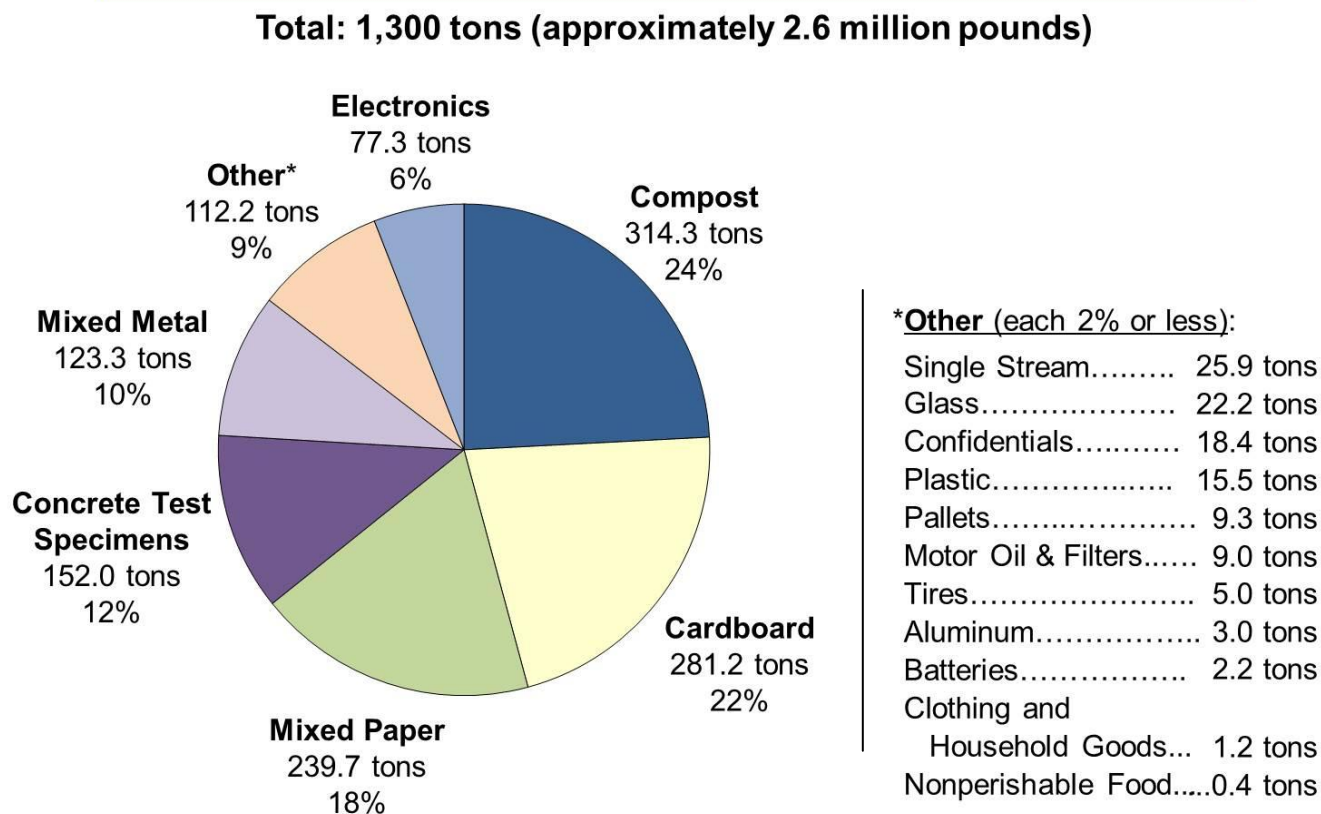
Tech Beautification Day 2013 mural painting project at the Klaus building's 3rd floor recycling alcove.



The finished mural. There are five recycling alcoves in the Klaus building. Now they have all been decorated.

Georgia Tech 2012 Waste Diversion Statistics

The chart below shows a summary of the recyclable, compostable and reusable materials collected at Georgia Tech in 2012 – a total of 1,300 tons.



Electronics Recycling

In 2012, Georgia Tech recycled 154,600 pounds of electronic waste (E-waste). This includes state-owned property, such as retired equipment from the computer labs on campus, as well as personal E-waste that students, faculty, and staff have brought from home.

You can recycle your personal E-waste during Georgia Tech’s annual Earth Day Celebration on April 19! (No Georgia Tech/state property.)

The 2013 Earth Day Celebration is on Friday, April 19, from 10 am to 3 pm. If you have any obsolete electronics collecting dust at home, bring them with you and they will be recycled by Atlanta Recycling Solutions. There will be a drop-off table located on Tech Walk, for those on foot who are dropping off small items. If you have items in your vehicle, the Zone 9 visitor parking lot will be used as an E-waste drop off area during the Earth Day Celebration. There is a \$10 suggested donation for televisions, to cover the cost of recycling them, but all other accepted items can be dropped off free of charge. See the [Earth Day Website](#) for a map and list of accepted items.



More than 3,600 pounds of E-waste were collected in just five hours during the 2012 Earth Day Celebration.

Upcoming Events

Engineers for a Sustainable World “Go for the Green” Casino Night

Bill Moore Student Success Center, President’s Suite A & B
Georgia Tech, Atlanta, GA
Thursday, April 18, 2012 (8:00 pm – 11:00 pm)
Cost: \$5

Games include poker, blackjack, and roulette. Entrance fee of \$5 will get you an equivalent of \$500 in chips. Bring anything that can be recycled to redeem more chips. At the end of the night, chips can be redeemed for raffle tickets. Must be there to collect the prize if name is drawn. Prizes include gift cards and more! Free snacks!

Atlanta Dogwood Festival

Piedmont Park, Atlanta, Georgia
Friday-Sunday, April 19-21, 2012
Cost: Free!

The Dogwoods are in full bloom, and hundreds of artists from around the country will set up their tents in Piedmont Park for the 77th Annual Atlanta Dogwood Festival. An Atlanta staple for more than 75 years, there is something for everyone at the festival. Virtually every kind of art imaginable is represented at the festival, with a nationally renowned, juried Fine Artist Market that includes sculpture, paintings, pottery, jewelry, photography, and much more.

Sustainable Atlanta Roundtable

All Saints Episcopal Church – Ellis Hall
634 West Peachtree St., Atlanta, GA
Friday, April 5, 2013 (7:30 – 9:00 am)
Cost: \$10 - \$20, includes continental breakfast and beverage

Presented by Southface, the Sustainable Atlanta Roundtable convenes on the first Friday of each month to discuss the region's current environmental issues – from water to energy, urban planning to government policy, and much more. Members of the audience are encouraged to ask questions, make comments, network, and learn about Atlanta's current and future opportunities for sustainable development. The topic for May is "Towards a Human Powered City". The cost is \$10 for students. For non-students the cost is \$15 for advance purchase and \$20 at the door. Doors open at 7:00 am for networking. The roundtable discussion is from 7:30 - 9:00 am.

Comments and Suggestions

If you have any questions or suggestions about our program, please feel free to contact us by simply replying to this [newsletter](#). We are here to help, and together, we can work to benefit the environment.

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