## HAMPTON

## Hampton Roads- Peninsula

## Hampton — A stellar location in the center of it all

Hampton, with spectacular water-front vistas, a 400-year history, world-class attractions and the 344,000-square-foot Hampton Roads Convention Center, has an array of meeting, athletic, and performance venues fulfilling event planners' specialized needs. Convening delegates benefit from Hampton's location in Southeastern Virginia's geographic center and the proximity of exceptional shopping and dining at the Peninsula Town Center, the Power Plant of Hampton Roads, charming Downtown Hampton, and historic Phoebus.

Hampton's legacy as home of *Freedom's Fortress*, founding site of NASA, and the center of early 20<sup>th</sup>-century seafood commerce is apparent in its special events, water-recreation opportunities, rich Civil War sites and African-American heritage. The Virginia Air & Space Center with the Riverside 3D IMAX Theater is a dynamic attraction appealing



to all ages, but also serves as a unique venue for special events. Waterfront parks, The American Theatre, Hampton University Museum, Fort Monroe, and the Miss Hampton II harbor tour boat are just a few of the other attractions that double as event sites.

Hampton is also home to iconic Hampton Coliseum, Hampton University Convocation Center, and the Boo Williams Sportsplex — a specially designed venue with indoor floor space to accommodate up to 8 simultaneous basketball games and seating for up to 4,000. More than 3,000 hotel rooms are close to the Hampton Roads Convention Center's 35 flexible meeting spaces,

which include a 108,000-square-foot exhibit hall and a grand ballroom seating 2,000. The center shares its campus with Embassy Suites Hotel and the Hampton Coliseum.

Vibrant Peninsula Town Center, located within blocks of the convention center, features department stores, specialty retailers, and culinary delights. A lively town square is ideal for conference and event ice-breakers. Nearby, NASCAR Sports Grille and Luckie's Dueling Pianos recently opened at the Power Plant of Hampton Roads, flattering an exciting palette of theme restaurants and Bass Pro Shops Outdoor World.

To stage your event, convention or competition in Hampton, contact Hampton Convention & Visitor Bureau at 800-487-8778 or go to www.visithampton.com for additional destination information.

