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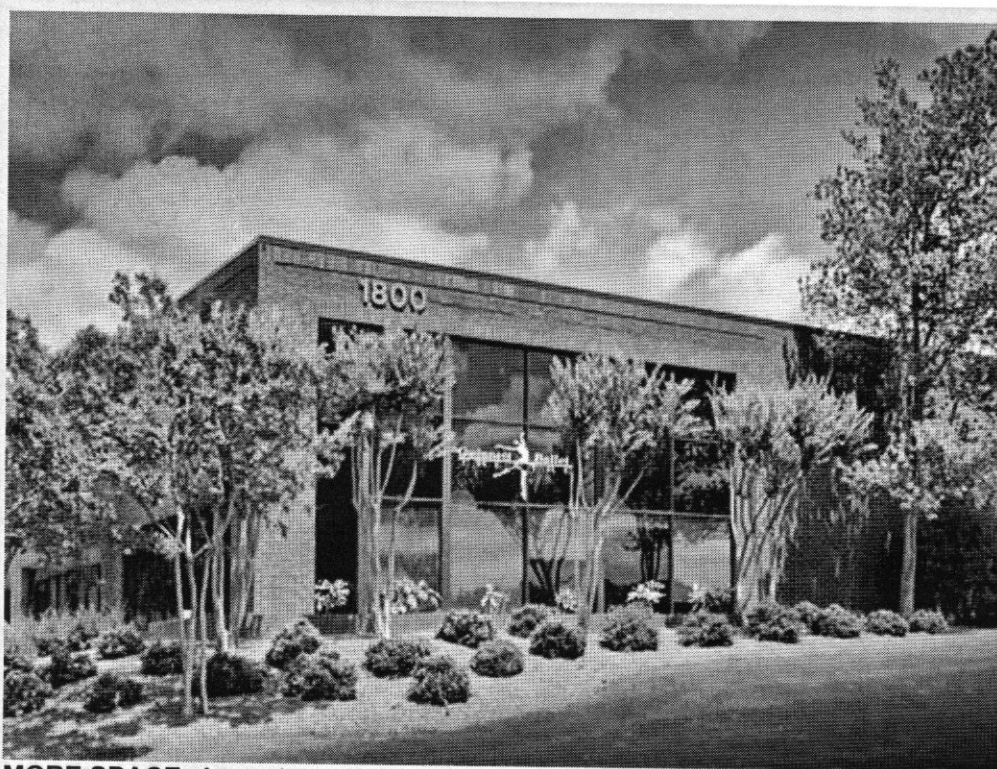
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**MORE SPACE:** A new home for the Gwinnett Ballet Theatre will open this fall near the center of the county and across Sugarloaf Parkway from Gwinnett Tech. The new facility will add more space for the theatre as it offers new concentrations. For more, see [Today's Focus](#) below.

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## FEEDBACK

### Hey, Klan, send state your names when you want trash

Editor, the Forum:

I wonder if the Klan is aware of the provision of the law that requires that all members policing trash along the roadside in the Adopt-a-Highway program provide names and phone numbers of its collectors to the state.

Seems that they'd be somewhat reluctant to provide this information, given the secretive nefarious activities of that organization.

-- Robert Hanson, Loganville

### Dev Patel turns out to be in many movie, TV roles

Editor, the Forum:

As always, I enjoy and learn from your GwinnettForum. One slight point you made in a movie review: Dev Patel was introduced in Slumdog Millionaire, not The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel, and has done several movies (including The Last Airbender) and television series since that 2008 Academy Award winning movie. I thought TBEMH was thoroughly entertaining. Thanks!

-- Leo Lawrenson, Suwanee

*Dear Leo: you can tell my lack of knowledge from not visiting the movie houses and even typical television programs much. Mr. Patel is a refreshing actor. --eeb*

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## UPCOMING

### Work to begin this summer on diverging diamond intersection

Gwinnett's first diverging diamond intersection will see work begin this summer at the bridge at Pleasant Hill Road at Interstate 85. The design uses the existing bridge more efficiently by switching traffic to the left to allow smooth left turns onto the Interstate. Pedestrians will use a new walkway in the median. E.R. Snell Contractor, Inc., of Snellville was the lowest of three bidders at just under \$4.3 million, which will come from SPLOST funds.

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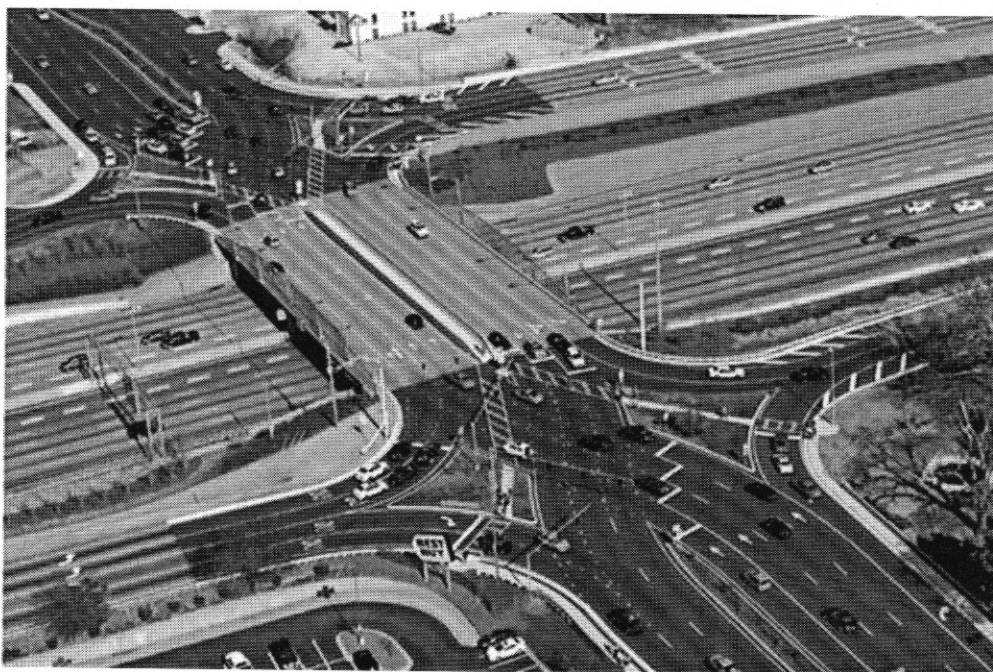
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The work involves widening a half-mile of roadway plus new retaining walls, curb and gutter, sidewalks and traffic signals. The timing of other signals approaching the intersection will also get adjustments to ensure smooth traffic flow. It's estimated that the useful life of the existing bridge will be extended by about 10 years with no widening needed. The project is expected to be complete within a year.

## Georgia Museum of Art schedules Nathalie Dupree in July

The Georgia Museum of Art at the University of Georgia will host a free lecture and book signing by Chef Nathalie Dupree in conjunction with the exhibition, "John Baeder," on July 19 at 5:30 p.m.

Dupree's work focuses on American Southern cuisine. She has written 11 cookbooks, which have sold more than half a million copies, including *Nathalie Dupree's Shrimp and Grits* and the James Beard Award-winner *Nathalie Dupree's Southern Memories*. She has appeared on more than 300 national television shows and specials on such networks as PBS, TLC and the Food Network.

Dupree earned an Advanced Certificate from the Cordon Bleu cooking school in London. She currently lives in Charleston, S.C., and writes for *The Post and Courier* as well as *Charleston Magazine* and other publications.



Dupree

John Baeder is best known for his photorealist paintings of mid-century diners, and his work shows his lifelong fascination with roadside structures and American foodways. The exhibition includes three groupings of his work in a different medium: photography. The artist's black-and-white photographs of Atlanta from a single day in 1963, his photographs of handmade street signs taken more than 30 years ago, and photographs from the exhibition John Baeder's American Roadside, organized by Thomas Paul Gallery in Los Angeles, create a variegated image of roadside America.

A free reception celebrating John Baeder and the museum's other summer exhibitions will follow Dupree's lecture.

### NOTABLE

## Lawrenceville picks Sherman for new development role

The City of Lawrenceville has selected Lisa Sherman to fill its newly formed position as director of Economic Development. Reporting to the Assistant City Manager Steve North, Sherman will manage business recruitment, retention and development while working with numerous partners and resources at local and regional levels to effectively market Lawrenceville as a strong and viable

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