



Atlanta  
BeltLine  
Partnership

## MEET THE ATLANTA BELTLINE BUS TOUR GUIDES



### *Leading the Way*

We are very fortunate to have a wonderful team of friendly, energetic, and knowledgeable guides to lead our bus tours. The Atlanta BeltLine is a very dynamic project with a lot of moving parts, but our expert guides will give you a wonderful perspective of how the project began, what's happening today, and where it is headed. In no time, you too will be an Atlanta BeltLine expert!

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**Sundiata Rush**

Leading BeltLine tours since 2010, Sundiata has been engaged with the project since 2007 and over time has assisted the Atlanta Beltline

Partnership as a volunteer and marketing consultant. Both a native of Atlanta and transplant by way of Philadelphia, he enjoys running, biking and hiking along the corridor.

Sundiata works in brand strategy and marketing communications. He is a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania and has an MBA from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. A supporter of community development initiatives and youth empowerment, Sundiata is on the board of East Atlanta Kids Club.



**Lucy Bigham**

As a 38-year resident of a BeltLine neighborhood, Lucy became involved with the project in 2005 through neighborhood

meetings. She became a volunteer and in 2012 began leading bus tours for the Atlanta BeltLine Partnership.

Since 2014 Lucy has taught a class on the Atlanta BeltLine Project and Streetcars in Atlanta for the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute of Emory Continuing Education. The class covers BeltLine history, plans, updates, Atlanta streetcars from 1871 – 1949, the planned Atlanta Streetcar System, and culminates with a bus tour. In 2016 Lucy was appointed to the Atlanta BeltLine Tax Allocation Advisory Committee.

Lucy has a BA in history from Agnes Scott and an MPA from Georgia State. She retired from a career in Georgia state government.



### Shantaé M. Robinson

Atlanta native Shantaé M. Robinson began her involvement with the Atlanta BeltLine by participating in greenspace and park beautification projects along the Westside corridor. After graduating from Spelman College, Shantaé became a BeltLine Ambassador for the Westside by engaging community members and working closely with the West Atlanta Watershed Alliance, Outdoor Activity Center, and Eco ACTION, to combat environmental justice issues in Atlanta's promise zones.

Shantaé currently cultivates partnerships within the community as the Community Engagement Director for iwi fresh Garden Day Spa—an organic spa that partners with local community gardens and neighborhood farms to source fresh produce to create organic skincare products.



### Cynthia Rintye

Cynthia is a storyteller, director, writer, performer and tour guide. Cynthia is currently the director of and a storyteller for the Lawrenceville, GA Ghost Tours. For 16 seasons, she worked with the Georgia Renaissance Festival as Assistant Entertainment Director and Language Director; wrote, directed, and appeared in half-hour stage shows; and performed as members of the Royal Court including seven seasons as Queen.

As tour guide, Cynthia has led tours of Downtown and Midtown Atlanta on Segways and has also led walking tours of Druid Hills and the Fabulous Fox for the Atlanta Preservation Center. Cynthia resides in Grant Park with her husband and son and released her first storytelling album, *Veil of Time, Ghost Stories from Atlanta*, in October 2016.



### Whitney Fuller

Whitney is a recent Georgia State University Graduate and downtown bicycle commuter. As a Graduate Fellow for the Atlanta BeltLine, Inc.

in 2011, Whitney supported community engagement during construction of the Eastside Trail and Adoption of the 2013 Master Plan. She has been a volunteer for the Atlanta BeltLine Partnership for 5 years. Whitney has worked in a leadership capacity in a number of public and private companies, landing at the Atlanta Regional Commission as a Program Specialist.

Whitney earned her Masters of Public Policy from the Andrew Young School of Policy Studies with a research emphasis on Transportation Oriented Development, Health Disparities, Community and Economic Development. Whitney lives in a BeltLine neighborhood and is looking forward to working in her community through project execution.



### Ted Ward

Raised in Gwinnett County and having attended college in rural Georgia, Ted was drawn back to the city by the transformation he believed a project like the BeltLine could bring. Currently working as the Education Coordinator at the Center for Civil and Human Rights, his passion for public education and historical interpretation continue to drive both his work and personal life.

Starting with his arrival to the city in 2011, Ted became immediately involved in the Atlanta BeltLine. From volunteering in the BeltLine tent, to clean-up days, and eventually the Speaker's Bureau, his involvement and passion for the project deepened. Living in North Decatur, Ted is also active in the Medlock Park community in advocacy for the neighborhood green space and PATH trail network.