

## **CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE**

Nestled along the banks of the Tennessee River, Chattanooga provides a vibrant conference setting. Assembly 2008 participants will enjoy an infusion of public art, sweeping green spaces, parks and walkways along the river, and a tribute to the community's Cherokee heritage – all part of the city's \$120 million 21<sup>st</sup> Century Waterfront Plan. Chattanooga offers a wealth of cultural resources and attractions including:

- The Hunter Museum of American Art—the southeast's largest collection of American art
- A newly renovated Creative Discovery Museum
- The Bluff View Art District, with distinctive shops, restaurants, B&Bs and spectacular scenic views
- The new Holberg Pedestrian Bridge linking First Street with the entrance to the Hunter Museum of American Art
- The Passage, which is the nation's largest public art project celebrating Cherokee history and culture

Gadugi is the name of the five Native American artists who produced the artworks at The Passage. Gadugi is a Cherokee word that means “coming together” or “working together” – values which also will infuse our Assembly 2008 gathering.