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Pumpkins, Carnival Games & Live Music Fill Ashford Lane for Its Fall Festival

Ring toss, a bluegrass beat and a corridor full of fall color made for a family afternoon at Ashford Lane.

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On Saturday, October 17, the Ashford Lane Fall Festival was a bright and welcoming outdoor event. Pumpkins and fall-color displays adorned the entire corridor, near every store along the way. The scene was filled with smiling faces, from the smallest toddlers to the tallest scarecrow lady on stilts.

The organizers carefully set out to present a carnival theme: a cotton candy stand, a popcorn stand and a big balloon house with carnival games for the little ones. I walked up just as the tiniest little girl was tossing rings to win a colorful prize, her parents behind her cheering with the biggest faces of enthusiasm.

GAMES, TICKETS AND A BLUEGRASS BEAT

Vendors made the event interesting with stimulating games of their own. At one, you grabbed onto a metal bar and lifted your knees for as long as possible to win a title and a bracelet, while the group cheered and counted the seconds. Each booth asked for tickets to participate, just like a carnival.

There was live musical entertainment, too. The notes of a bluegrass band filled the area, a lively harmonica rhythm blowing past the drums and the singer, who then caught up with a beautiful, melodic tone. I stood and danced and tapped my foot along with others nearby, all pleased with the performance.



Left to right: the Grand Carnival at the end of the corridor; vendor tents on the lawn; live music under the tent.

FOOD ALONG THE CORRIDOR

Several restaurants lined both sides of the corridor, including Jeni's Splendid Ice Creams, Superica, Thai Kitchen, Hawkers and Tin Drum Asian. Tin Drum had a fire pit lit with chairs where we stopped for a bit, and a young man stirred an aromatic curry sauce and spread it over a sample of flatbread for us to taste. It was yummy.

THE PUMPKIN WALL

At the entrance of the corridor stood Ashford Lane's name and a pumpkin display, where everyone gathered to sit and take pictures to capture the moment. The breeze grew stronger and colder as the afternoon went on, blowing bubbles from the bubble machine even farther than the little kids could reach.

A great event for families to take pictures, enjoy carnival games and dance to lively music, surrounded by culinary delights.

WHAT'S NEXT

If you missed this one, be sure to visit the area for the next event. Thank you, Ashford Lane, for a wonderful afternoon. Upcoming events are posted at ashfordln.com.



The Ashford Lane sign and pumpkin display at the entrance of the corridor.

ABOUT THIS COVERAGE

EVENT	DATE	LOCATION	ORGANIZER
Ashford Lane Fall Festival	Saturday, Oct 17, 2026	Ashford Lane, 4500 Olde Perimeter Way, Atlanta	Ashford Lane · ashfordln.com

PHOTO GALLERY

Scenes from Ashford Lane



Left to right: a festival-goer at the Ashford Lane sign; Erica D. Landry on assignment for Cehdwa Media | Editorial; the band under the tent.

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