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**Highlights from SEPC's Southern Innovations 2021**

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SAVANNAH, GA — The Southeast Produce Council enthusiastically welcomed back the fresh produce industry to its 2021 fall event, held Sept. 9-11 at the Savannah Convention Center and the Westin Savannah Harbor Golf Resort & Spa, in Savannah's historic river district.

The in-person event was a celebration on many levels. Attendees heard what's new in farming, retail, foodservice and the planet; the council introduced its new officers and board of directors; the council recognized the service of some longtime members; and attendees saw the latest products from exhibitors at the trade show.

But perhaps the most enjoyable — and emotional — aspects of this year's event were just being able to greet colleagues and friends in person, seeing actual produce on display at the trade show, and sharing hugs and laughs at the social events, all while observing the safety protocols and guidelines that remain in effect to battle the ongoing pandemic.

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