

GULLAH FESTIVAL PROGRAM

Friday, May 23, 2008

Waterfront Park, Beaufort

Admission: Adults \$10

FAMILY DAY

10:00AM

Yoruba Drummers & Dancers

Sheldon, SC

Gran'daddy Junebug – Spring Lake, NC

Lady's Island Middle School

Dance Ensemble – Lady's Island, SC

Shell Point Elementary School

Choir – Burton, SC

Lady's Island Middle School

Choir – Lady's Island, SC

KJM Mime – St. Helena Island, SC

Samato West African Drum & Dance

Atlanta, GA

Battery Creek High School

Gospel Choir – Burton, SC

Aunt Pearl Sue – Beaufort, SC

Battery Creek High School

Concert Choir – Burton, SC

Umoja-Ujima Step Team of

Beaufort High School

Beaufort, SC

Battery Creek High School Band

Burton, SC

Virgil Fripp, Gospel Rap, St. Helena Is., SC

East of the River Boys & Girls

Steel Band – Washington, DC

Lady P. & Co. – Beaufort, SC

6:00PM - Official Opening Ceremony

Drum Call – Yoruba Drummers

Young Marines of Parris Island

Parris Island, SC

Libation – Miss Simone Washington

2007 Miss Gullah Teen and Court

Invocation – Rev. Louis Murray

St. Paul Baptist Church – Burton, SC

Anthem – Lift Every Voice and Sing

Greetings:

Rosalie F. Pazant

President, Gullah Festival

Miss Simone Washington

2007 Miss Gullah Teen

Marquetta (Queen Quet) Goodwine

St. Helena Island, SC

Mayor William Rauch
City of Beaufort

Mayor Samuel Murray
Town of Port Royal

Councilman Herbert Glaze
Beaufort County Council

Rep. Kenneth Hodges
SC House of Representatives

Rep. Catherine Ceips
SC State Senate

Presentations:

Gullah Family of the Year

Essay Contest Awards

Special Recognition to

Col. James A. Moore – Hampton, SC

Orangeburg-Wilkerson High

School Jazz Band – Orangeburg, SC

7:00PM – Gullah Teen Pageant Part I

Intermission - Miss Simone Washington

2007 Miss Gullah Teen

Gullah Teen Pageant Part II

Intermission - Miss Ezhan Joyce

2006 Miss Gullah Teen/2008 Miss BHS

Gullah Teen Pageant Part III

Intermission – Dancers

Gullah Teen Pageant Part IV

10:00PM – “Blues in the Night”

Phillip Griffin – Burton, SC

Saturday, May 24, 2008

Waterfront Park, Beaufort

Admission \$20 Ages 13 & Up

\$10 Ages 7-12/Ages 6 & Under Free

10:00AM Drum Call - Abu Majeid Drummers

Savannah, GA

10:35AM The Robinson Brothers

Beaufort, SC

11:00AM St. Paul Baptist Church Adult Choir Burton, SC

11:25AM Aunt Pearlie Sue – Beaufort, SC

11:40AM Yoruba Drummers & Dancers

Sheldon, SC

12:05PM East of the River Boys & Girls

Steel Band – Washington, DC

12:35PM Marquette (Queen Quet) Goodwine

St. Helena Island, SC

12:55PM Lady’s Island Baptist Church Male Chorus – Lady’s Island, SC

1:20PM MLK Mass Choir – Beaufort, SC

1:45PM Sea Island Translation Team
St. Helena Island, SC
2:00PM Gran'daddy Junebug
Spring Lake, NC
2:45PM Toby Foyeh & Orchestra Africa
Washington, DC
3:25PM Friends Band – Beaufort, SC
4:10PM Miss Desiree Lewis
Miss Black South Carolina USA-2007
Orangeburg, SC
4:35PM Teddy Adams Trio – Savannah, GA
5:15PM Samato West African Drummers
& Dancers – Atlanta, GA
6:15PM Pazant Brothers Band – NYC
7:00PM Priscilla Williams – Beaufort, SC
7:35PM Lady P. & Co. – Beaufort, SC
8:00PM Tropical Steel Vibes – Atlanta, GA
9:00PM The Manhattans – NYC
10:00PM The Blues All Stars – Beaufort, SC

Sunday, May 25, 2008

9:00AM Hour of Power Worship Service

Waterfront Park, Beaufort

Guest Church: Adams Street Baptist Church
St. Helena Island, SC
Rev. Willie Wilson, Pastor

11:00AM Rededication of Memorial Plaque

Foot of 11th Street
Port Royal, SC

A Blast From the Past

Waterfront Park, Beaufort

Admission: \$20 Ages 13 & Up

\$10 Ages 7-12/Ages 6 & Under Free

2:40PM Toby Foyeh & Orchestra Africa
Washington, DC
3:30PM The Intruders – NYC
4:40PM Harold Melvin's Blue Notes
Philadelphia, PA

May 19-June 21, 2008, 10:00AM-6PM (Free)

Fine Arts Exhibit

Lybenson's Gallery

211 Charles St., Beaufort

May 23, 2008 – 10:00AM (Free)

Consumer Education Seminar

Experts present important information on Identity Theft, Social Security, Predatory Lending Practices and other topics of interest to the general public.

Facilitators: Mrs. Florence Rice, Harlem Consumer Education Council, NY; Ms. Dorothy Garrick, Columbia Consumer Education Council, Columbia, SC.

Tabernacle Baptist Church

907 Craven St., Beaufort

May 23, 2008 – 4:00PM (Free)

Me and Marianne – Session II
“tellingourstories inourownwords”

These sessions are about stories from local cultural and community history. They celebrate the roles that women of African-American ancestry and heritage have played regarding Gullah life in the context of their community and culture.

Panel: Beverly M. John, Ph.D., Sociology, University of California, Berkeley; Fayth Mr. Parks, Ph.D., Counseling Psychology, University of Illinois, Urbana; Delo E. Washington, Ph.D. Higher Education, University of California, Berkeley; Marianne Drew Chenault, M.Ed., SC State University; Mari S. Johnson, M.S., M.P.H., University of California, San Francisco.

May 23 & 24, 2008 - 11:00AM (Free)

Reminiscences of My Life in Camp

A review of Susie King Taylor's narrative recounting memories of the time she spent serving during the civil war with the 1st SC Volunteers, later renamed the 33rd U.S. Colored Troops.

Facilitators:

Central Baptist Church

1111 Prince St., Beaufort

May 23 & 24, 2008 – 2:30PM (Free)

“Freedom Knows My Name”

An original dramatic piece written by international storyteller, artist and workshop facilitator, Mama Yaa, of Louisville, Kentucky.

Featured in the 1996 Great American Series for Hazard Community College in Kentucky and presented in 1995 for the Toni Morrison Conference held at Bellarmine University in Louisville, Kentucky, the work reveals the lives of three esteemed African-American women – Matilda J. Dunbar, Araminta Harriet Taubman and Fannie Lou Hamer.

Facilitator: Nana Yaa Asantewa (Mama Yaa)
Louisville, KY

Grace Chapel A.M.E. Church
502 Charles St., Beaufort

May 23 & 24, 2008 – 3:30PM (Free)

“Patterns of Rhythm”

A combination of bold colors, distinctive stitches, and geometric designs results in the perfect cover for loved ones and friends of local quilters whose works are displayed.

Union Baptist Church
1708 Old Shell Road
Town of Port Royal

May 24, 2008 – 1:00PM

Admission: 13 & Up \$15/7-12 \$10
6 & under Free

“Priscilla’s Posse”

Gullah historian and author Ron Daise compellingly explores cultural links with Sierra Leone, West Africa, and Gullah communities of South Carolina and Georgia. The 75-minute interactive presentation recounts Daise’s participation in “Priscilla’s Homecoming,” the historical visit of Thomalind Martin Polite of North Charleston, SC to Sierra Leone in May 2005. Polite is the 7th generation descendant of “Priscilla,” a 10-year-old Sierra Leonean who was enslaved in 1756 and brought to a rice plantation in South Carolina.

As participants in a mock press conference, viewers learn about commonalities in language, dietary practices, rice heritage and the Bunce Island slave prison through re-lyric-ed spirituals and folk songs, lecture, and photographs.

First African Baptist Church
601-611 New Street, Beaufort

May 24, 2008 – 4:00PM

Admission: 13 & Up \$15/7-12 \$10

6 & under Free

“Decoration Day”

An off Broadway production featuring Aunt Pearlie Sue & Gullah Kinfolk that provides a glimpse of the importance of Decoration Day Celebrations to the Gullah community.

Tabernacle Baptist Church
907 Craven St., Beaufort

May 23-25, 2008
Waterfront Park

Gullah Historic Tours

SANKOFA CIRCLE:

Sweet Grass Basket Weaving

Book Signing by local authors-

Rev. Horace Williams

Patricia Bee

Heyward Inabinett

Black Inventions Museum

The Swapping Ground

Attendees share family stories

Facilitator: Mama Yaa

(May 23 & 24 only)

Consumer Education Information

Note: Times are approximations. Events subject to change.