Learn About the Gullah-Geechee of Coastal Georgia!

A Cultural Journey
The story of the Geechee People are deeply rooted within American History! It is a magical and culture filled with music, sea breeze, and storytelling! The folklore of the Gullah-Geechee can be traced back in time to a place where traditions thrived, families flourished, and resistance transformed into strength!

Gullah-Geechee in Georgia
Coastal Georgia’s Gullah-Geechee people are descendants of enslaved Africans from plantations along the lower Atlantic coast. Many came from West African rice-growing regions and were brought to the Americas and used for their agricultural and architectural skillset.

Porch Lies, Tricksters, and Other Tall Tales
The Gullah-Geechee have a rich storytelling tradition! Sometimes animals and people play roles in stories passed down through generations! Gullah-Geechee fables, like Africa’s "trixter tales," center on animals adopting human personalities and finding themselves in silly, situations. But be careful, you might learn something!

Can you speak Gullah?
Gullah: “Mus tek cyear a de root fa heal de tree.”
English: “Take care of the roots in order to heal the tree.”
Means: What is hidden can be very important.