

# The McIntosh County Shouters

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- School programs
- Special events
- Films/Documentaries
- Museum openings
- Festivals
- Private events

“The southeastern ring shout is probably the oldest surviving African American performance tradition on the North American continent. It continues to be performed in a Black community in McIntosh County on Georgia’s coast. This compelling fusion of counterclockwise dancelike movement, call-and-response singing, and percussion (in the form of hand clapping and a stick beating a drumlike rhythm on a wooden floor) is clearly African in its origins. The ring shout affirms oneness with the Spirit and with ancestors as well as community cohesiveness.”

—Art Rosenbaum, Professor Emeritus  
*University of Georgia for the New Georgia Encyclopedia*



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## Keeping the Gullah Geechee culture alive

The McIntosh County Shouters educate and entertain audiences young and old about history in coastal Georgia during slavery.

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