

STEWARDSHIP SHORT: Coastal Inspiration



Take Action

Connect with the Past

Celebrate Local Artistry

Get Creative

Explore

Georgia State Parks & Historic Sites

<https://Gastateparks.org>

Gullah Geechee Heritage Corridor

<https://www.gullahgeecheecorridor.org>

National Park Service

www.nps.gov

Ossabaw Island Foundation

<http://www.ossabawisland.org>

Pin Point Heritage Museum

<https://chsgeorgia.org>

Connect

Coastal Museums Association

<http://coastalmuseums.org>

Georgia Historical society

<https://Georgiahistory.com>

Georgia Department of Natural Resources

<https://gadnr.com>

National Parks Arts Foundation

<https://www.nationalparksartsfoundation.org>

South Arts

<https://www.southarts.org>

Georgia's coastline has long been a source of creative energy for artists. Whether you enjoy art or create it, gather ideas and inspiration from the natural and cultural resources of the coast.

Action 1 | CONNECT WITH THE PAST

Experience the culture and history that shaped coastal Georgia. Respect the relics and structures that remain.

- Listen to the locals! Talk to people who have lived on the coast for a long time.
- Visit a state historical site, join a history tour, or check out a cultural museum.
- Leave all archaeological artifacts found on historic sites, state or federal land.
- Do not dig or use a metal detector on private property without the permission of the landowner and the Georgia Department of Natural Resources.

Below are some of the coastal art and history organizations to look into.

Arts on the Coast, Richmond Hill artsonthecoast.org	Geechee Kunda Museum, Riceboro (912) 884-4440	Georgia Council for The Arts gaarts.org/about
Georgia Council for American Indian Concerns www1.gadnr.org/caic/	Georgia Archeological Site File archaeology.uga.edu/gasf/	Glynn Visual Arts www.glynnvisualarts.org
Green Scene of Coastal Georgia www.GreenSceneGA.org	Jekyll Island Arts Association www.jekyllartists.com	Loop It Up www.loopitupsavannah.org
Sapelo Island Cultural and Revitalization Society (SICARS) www.sapeloislandga.org/home	Savannah Art Association www.savannahartassociation.com	The Society for Georgia Archeology thesga.org

Action 2 | CELEBRATE LOCAL ARTISTRY

Seek out galleries and art exhibits that feature local artists. Celebrate Georgia's unique spirit and culture by attending art, music, film and literary festivals.

- Learn from Gullah Geechee artists during the annual Cultural Day Festival on Sapelo Island and the Georgia Sea Islands Festival on St. Simons Island.
- Check out a local film festival such as the Green Screen Film Festival or the Gray's Reef Film Festival.
- Attend or volunteer for music or book festivals on the coast.

Action 3 | GET CREATIVE

Let the natural beauty of the Georgia coast inform your art. Use your art to engage and inspire others to conserve the coast.

- Join a local arts association to participate in workshops, classes or contests.
- Explore wild barrier islands during an artist or writers retreat or check out what opportunities your local wildlife refuge offers.
- Lose yourself in novels, poetry and non-fiction books set in coastal Georgia
- Share your work by volunteering with an arts after-school program.
- Donate your artwork to causes that support coastal conservation.



Mosaic made from bottle caps at the Savannah Youth Ocean Conservation Summit



Viola Martin, a member of the Gullah Geechee community of Pin Point leads a crab drop-net knitting class.



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