



The USCB Center for the Arts delivers a cap note performance in partnership with Penn Center's 32nd Heritage Days Celebration with a spiritual on its stage at the University's historic campus in Beaufort, South Carolina on Sunday, November 9 at 3 pm.

The event will showcase St. Helena Island soloists featured in the newly released CD, *GULLAH: Voice of an Island* and the Geechee Gullah Ring Shouters of Georgia.

Dr. Marlena Smalls will serve as the Master of Ceremonies. She is the founder and director of the nationally known Hallelujah Singers, which she founded in 1990 to preserve the Gullah culture in the South Carolina Sea Islands.

The Geechee Gullah Ring Shouters are descendants of West African slaves, continuing the tradition of *Ring Shout* taught by their ancestors, who want to share their knowledge with the world. The St. Helena Island celebrated soloists, Minnie Gracie Gadson, James Garfield Smalls, Joseph and Rosa Murray are featured in *GULLAH: Voice of an Island*; each grew up with the spirituals that were traditionally intoned on St. Helena Island and surrounding Sea Islands.

Admission to this performance requires a ticket purchase. The cost to attend: \$20 Adults; \$18 Seniors; \$10 Students under 18 years of age. Detailed information regarding admission and other programs of the Center for the 2014-2015 season can be found on the Center's website at

www.uscbcenterforthearts.com . Tickets can be ordered online at www.uscbcenterforthearts.com or by calling the Center Box Office at (843)521-4145.