



Northeast Region
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Outreach: Gullah Geechee Heritage Festival

The Northeast Regional Center participated in the Gullah Geechee Heritage Festival in Elkton. Staff took information on the People of Guana project as well as on archaeology at Kingsley Plantation. Over 2,000 people attended the day-long festival, which included music, dancing, educational booths, food, and more.



Outreach Assistants Jillyan Corrales and Summer Brown share information about African Diaspora archaeology in Northeast Florida at the Gullah Geechee Heritage Festival.

Outreach: Marshall Tunnel Project

The Northeast and East Central Regions partnered with the Fairfield Foundation and Virginia's Division of Historic Resources to document the Marshall Tunnel in Botetourt County, Virginia. Staff used a combination of terrestrial laser scanning and photogrammetry to document the

unfinished 19th century canal tunnel, including footprints thought to be from the enslaved and indentured workers. The project was funded by Virginia’s Threatened Sites grant program.



Emily Jane Murray and Emma Dietrich photograph the inside of the Marshall Tunnel to create 3D models.

FPAN in the Media:

- “Gullah/Geechee families fight to protect burial sites in Nassau County’s Wildlight development,” WUSF Public Media
 - <https://wusfnews.wusf.usf.edu/local-state/2022-10-08/gullah-geechee-families-fight-protect-burial-sites-nassau-county-wildlight-development>
- “Storms uncovered history buried in sand,” WJCT News
 - <https://news.wjct.org/show/florida-roundup/2022-12-09/tripledemic-fla-roads-a-danger-zone-storms-uncover-history-buried-in-sand>
- “Buried 19th century shipwreck likely uncovered by hurricanes on Florida beach,” ABC News
 - <https://abcnews.go.com/US/buried-19th-century-shipwreck-uncovered-hurricanes-florida-beach/story?id=94692666>

- “Lighthouse team investigating shipwreck discovered in Volusia County,” Historic City News
 - <https://historiccity.com/2022/staugustine/news/lighthouse-team-investigating-shipwreck-discovered-in-volusia-county-139235>
- “That Mysterious Object on a Florida Beach? It’s a Shipwreck,” New York Times
 - <https://www.nytimes.com/2022/12/09/us/mysterious-object-florida-beach-discovered.html>