

# We Gonna Be Right Here: Gates & Fakes Invade the Gullah/Geechee Sea Islands

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## BIO

Ryan is a doctoral candidate and research fellow in the UF Dept of Sociology and Criminology & Law. His areas of research focus critical environmental justice and social movements with an emphasis on social geography and green mobilization. He presently serves as Board Chair of NC Warn and is an active participant within a variety of grassroots efforts throughout the southeast.

## PRESENTATION SUMMARY

The presentation will be about Ryan's dissertation research which applies a critical Environmental Justice perspective to understand responses of the Gullah/Geechee Nation to the numerous coastal displacement pressures associated with gentrification throughout the South Carolina and Georgia's Sea Islands. Through participatory action research and geospatial analysis, he explored how the Gullah/Geechee have managed their response and cultural landscape in light of institutionalized racism as manifest within development projects, heirs property law, and the effects of climate change on their territories.



**TUE, SEP 11**

**12-45-1:45**

**Grinter 376**

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