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Music and Poetry in Early Moultrieville

by Historian Nic Butler, Ph.D.

DATE: February 15, 2018
TIME: 6:00 – 7:00 PM
VENUE: Fort Moultrie Visitor Center Auditorium
1214 Middle St., Sullivan's Island, SC

Daily life in Moultrieville on Sullivan's Island included far more than periodic wars and military activities. Townspeople and visitors, from the 1790s to the 1870s, enjoyed the music and poetry of their time. Dr. Butler will talk about the evidence of early concerts and music lessons on Sullivan's Island gleaned from published memoirs and newspaper advertisements in that period. He will also include romantic poetry written on the island more than two centuries ago by visiting admirers.

Nic Butler, Ph.D. is an interdisciplinary historian with an infectious enthusiasm for Charleston's colorful past and a gift for making history come alive. Dr. Butler is a graduate of the University of South Carolina with a Ph.D. in musicology from Indiana University. He is the historian for the Charleston County Public Library. Previously he has worked as archivist of the South Carolina Historical Society, an adjunct faculty member at the College of Charleston, and historical consultant for the City of Charleston. He writes the *Charleston Time Machine* website and blog (charlestontimemachine.org).

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