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Carolina Chocolate Drops To Perform At Georgia Southern University

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African-American String Band The Carolina Chocolate Drops will perform at the Georgia Southern University Performing Arts Center on January 22nd at 7:30 p.m.

The Durham, N.C.-based group of three musicians have quickly become popular for their unique and exciting style of fiddle and banjo music made famous in the foothills of the Carolinas.

Described by Rolling Stone magazine as 'Modern Jug Band Music", the group's performance will be their first of 2009. Part of more than 30 performances planned through May, it will mark the group's first and one of only two currently planned performances in Georgia this year.

Albert Pertalion, director of the Performing Arts Center at Georgia Southern University originally saw The Chocolate Drops perform at the Savannah Music Festival, in Savannah, Ga. He immediately booked the group to provide a unique experience for not only season ticket holders, but the general public. 'Their personalities and their music are both infectious – they will give you a new appreciation for this unique style of music and will have you walking away talking about them for a long time," Pertalion said. 'I am thrilled to have such a skilled group of musicians performing at Georgia Southern.

This is a first for Statesboro and this will be one of those groups you remember for a long time." Rhiannon Giddens and Justin Robinson both hail from the green hills of the North Carolina Piedmont while Dom Flemons is an Arizona native. This group is fairly new and is beginning to make it big in the music industry. They most recently performed at the Grand Ole Opry in Nashville and have been featured in a number of publications including Rolling Stone.

For more information on the band, visit: www.carolinachocolatedrops.com. To purchase tickets for their Statesboro, Ga. debut or for more information, please call 912-478-7999 or visit: http://ceps.georgiasouthern.edu/pac.

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