



OCMULGEE MOUNDS

Ocmulgee Mounds National Historical Park is a prehistoric Indigenous American site. Many different Indigenous peoples & cultures occupied this land for thousands of years. Humans first came here during the Paleo-Indian Period hunting Ice Age mammals. Around 900 CE, the Mississippian Period began, and people constructed mounds for their elite, which remain here today.

The park is one of the Nation's best-kept secrets, but not for long. With plans to designate it as **America's Newest National Park**, now is the time to visit. Learn about the history of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation whose homelands are these lands and observe remarkable culture that dates back thousands of years ago!

The region along the Ocmulgee River has seen over 17,000 years of continuous human habitation and over 2,000 artifacts were recovered from the site in the early 1900s. There are exhibits at the park's visitor center that feature traditional skills and art by citizens of The Muscogee (Creek) Nation. The Nation now resides in Okmulgee, Oklahoma after being forced out of the region due to the Indian Removal Act in the 1830s. Local organizations such as the Ocmulgee National Park and Preserve Initiative (ONPPI), Ocmulgee Mounds Association (OMA), Visit Macon, and elected officials are working with The Muscogee Nation to tell the story of the people and land accurately and respectfully.

"We believe that those ancestors are still here, their songs are still here, their words are still here, their tears are still here. And so we speak to them. You know, we still honor those that have passed on."

-- Tracie Revis, Director of Advocacy for Ocmulgee National Park and Preserve Initiative & a descendant of Yuchi and the Muscogee (Creek) Nation



DID YOU
know?



THE OCMULGEE INDIGENOUS CELEBRATION IS HELD AT THE PARK EVERY SEPTEMBER.



THE MUSCOGEE (CREEK) NATION FLAG HANGS ABOVE MACON CITY HALL & DOWNTOWN STREET SIGNS WILL SOON BE CO-TRANSLATED IN THE CREEK LANGUAGE.



THE LANTERN LIGHT TOURS ARE HELD EVERY SPRING DURING THE CHERRY BLOSSOM FESTIVAL.



CONGRESS IS NOW CONSIDERING A BILL TO PROTECT THE MOUNDS AS GEORGIA'S FIRST NATIONAL PARK. ADD YOUR NAME AND EXPRESS YOUR SUPPORT TODAY AT OCMULGEEPARK.ORG.

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THOUSANDS OF YEARS

OF CONTINUOUS HUMAN HABITATION

THE ANNUAL *Ocmulgee* *Indigenous Celebration*

IN SEPTEMBER

The Ocmulgee Indigenous Celebration is more than an event – it's a unique opportunity to foster understanding, appreciation, and connections across cultures. This is a chance to engage with Southeastern Indigenous artists, historians, and experts who will be sharing their knowledge through educational demonstrations, music, dance and interactive exhibits. Browse through indigenous vendors' artisanal goods or chow down on traditional food.

The celebration is held at the **Ocmulgee Mounds National Historical Park**, a historical site with over 17,000 years of continuous human habitation recorded and known as the homelands of The Muscogee (Creek) Nation. The park is home to several historic indigenous mounds and has 8 miles of beautiful trails interlaced with lush forests and wetlands!

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