

C. Ray Brassieur, Ph.D. discussion powerpoint presentation on Louisiana watercraft during the Acadian Memorial Festival on March 15, 2008

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During the past twenty-five years, Ray Brassieur has documented a wide range of Louisiana watercraft. His field and archival research in maritime and wetlands ethnography has resulted in numerous popular and scholarly publications, exhibitions, and media presentations. He has served as supervisor and presenter for dozens of public boat building demonstrations associated with such events as the 1984 Louisiana World's Fair; the Smithsonian Festival of American Folklife, the Louisiana Folklife Festival; the multi-year Louisiana Sailing Lugger Project, in Thibodaux; the New Orleans Jazz and Heritage Festival; and the River Festival at Vermilionville.

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