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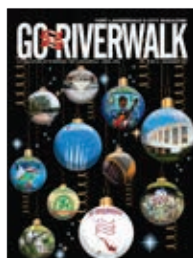
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Over the last six months you've probably heard a lot about our City's infrastructure challenges and may have wondered what impact this could have on our Riverwalk and the growth in our Downtown core. Several months prior to the recent attention, our Riverwalk president and I reached out to several department heads of our City for an infrastructure meeting and also to discuss a 20-year look ahead. These City Departments included Transportation and Mobility, Public Works, Sustainable Development, and Parks and Recreation. The executive director of the Downtown Development Authority was also invited to participate in the meetings.


We spent more than half a day walking the Riverwalk, discussing various issues concerning the Riverwalk with each department, including but not limited to, the seawall height, future resiliency, utility capacity, water and sewage, boat dockage, lighting, security, traffic, pedestrian and traffic flows, park needs and capacity, current and future planned events, the Levitt Pavilion, residential units, office space, funding needs and availability, including grants, bonding and the like, and whatever else we could think of during our three-mile tour. As a developer, my questions were endless!

I'm pleased to report that essentially Fort Lauderdale is no different than any other growing and aging American city regarding its infrastructure and the needs for improvements. Yes, we have hundreds of miles of beautiful waterways, which make our issues more complicated, but overall I walked away with a good feeling about the next 20 years, and more knowledge than I expected to receive.

Some of the facts that I was made aware of are:

- The City is using only about half the capacity of its water treatment plant and two thirds of the capacity of its sewer plant. Expansion and upgrades are programmed and planned to remain ahead of anticipated needs.
- The City can handle more residents and more development with the existing infrastructure. They are well aware of all the approved projects and are already making necessary improvements and considering future needs as new projects are approved.
- The City is in good financial standing to finance the needed infrastructure improvements (current tax base, Moody's AAA rating, bonding capacity, etc.).
- The 2017 Comprehensive Utility Strategic Master Plan outlines \$1.2 billion of improvements over a 20-year period ending in 2036.
- The City has more than \$300 million worth of infrastructure work planned over the next five years.
- More recently, the City has made infrastructure its priority with their "Go Big, Go Fast!" mantra.

While some may not agree with the way our City previously handled this issue, I have been assured that after the recent attention they're drilling down on the infrastructure issues with specific improvements planned for Downtown, which is where the real growth is, and the overall current needs. The City is more proactive now than in the past, and I'm sure this issue will remain front and center. The City is open and forthcoming with the current issues and it is keeping us apprised of updates and progress.

With that information I felt assured that my toilets would be flushing, I'd be taking clean showers, and my electricity would be operating. In other words, we're in good hands with the future of our City's infrastructure. The appropriate plans are in place to assure that progress will continue to happen. 



The "Go Big, Go Fast" campaign, part of the City's efforts to improve infrastructure

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HONORING TRADITIONS

Traditions are very meaningful to most and are maintained by our families, friends, and community. As we have stepped firmly into the holiday season, I am reminded that cities have traditions and with the growth of residents in our community, they enhance existing traditions and bring new ones to share.

Light Up Lauderdale is a 60-day celebration of lights along Riverwalk. In November each year, a family-friendly festival, affectionately known as Get Lit, happens to kick off the holiday season with joyous music, fun events, shopping options, a visit with Santa, and much more. What started as a lighting ceremony to kick off the season has become a much-loved family tradition for many as it grows each year.

Light Up the Beach, Light Up Downtown, and Light Up Sistrunk also draw the surrounding community into the annual tradition. **Christmas**



on Las Olas, a long-time festive family tradition, continues to grow and draws families to the shopping/dining district for more celebration of the season. Coupled with these happenings is **Panthers in the Park**, a full-service ice skating rink presented by the Florida Panthers Hockey team in conjunction with the City of Fort Lauderdale and kicked off by the **Seminole Hard Rock Winterfest Boat Parade Family Fun Day** – an additional tradition that brings families in our community to share traditions.

In our growing city the value of traditions are very meaningful as they remind us of who we are and where we come from. We treasure our families and friends and we enjoy the many annual traditions that draw us together to celebrate. While this is only the beginning of the holiday season, be assured that there is much more to come. Take a minute to be grateful for traditions and all of those that you are able to share them with. Happy holidays! 🎄



Above: Panthers in the Park ice skating event
Left: Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale's Get Lit event

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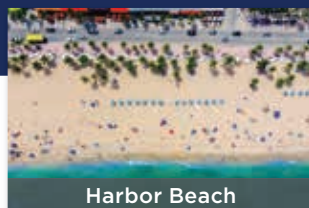


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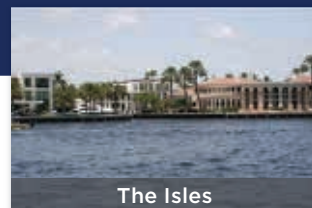
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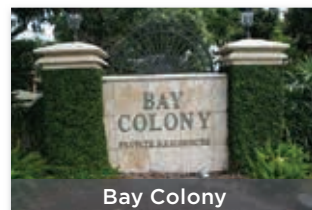
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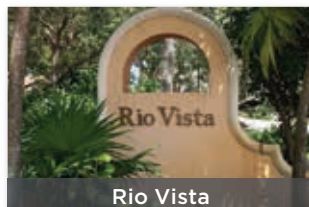
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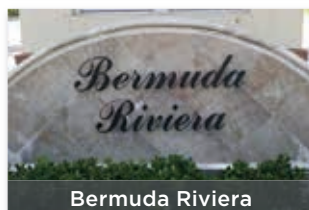
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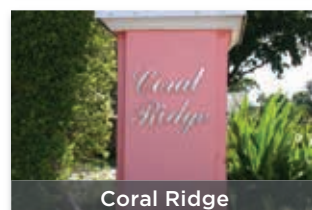
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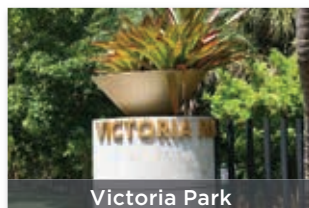
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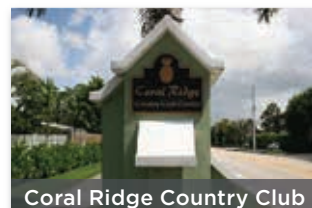
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the senior vice president of business development since 2003. My team and I market and promote Broward County as a highly desirable location to do business. We strive to bring in high-skill/high-wage jobs that diversify the local economy. The Alliance also assists local, national, and international companies already doing business here or those prospective companies considering a move to Greater Fort Lauderdale.

As a lifelong Broward resident, I have served in several business and community leadership roles. Prior to my position with the Alliance, I was president of

Champion Manufacturing for 18 years, a Pompano Beach and Fort Lauderdale-based industrial supply company serving the southeastern United States.

In 1989, I was appointed as a commissioner for the Florida Board of Harbor Pilot Commissioners. I am the youngest member to ever serve in this role. I have also served on the Board of Pilot Commissioners.

Community service continues to be important to me and I serve on several professional and community boards including CareerSource Broward, United Way of Broward County, Junior Achievement of South Florida, Winterfest, and the Broward Education Foundation. In June of 2013 Governor Rick Scott presented me with the Governor's Business Ambassador Award at the annual meeting of Leadership Florida. I am proud to support Riverwalk and its significant contributions to the quality of life in Fort Lauderdale and Broward County.



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➔ I believe building strong relationships is the key to success in business. I am the AVP/Business Development Officer with

First GREEN Bank, the first bank of its kind to promote positive environmental and social responsibility while operating as a traditional community bank. In this role, I support entrepreneurs and growing businesses seeking financing and other banking services.

Prior to joining First GREEN Bank, I worked in the healthcare industry at Centene Corporation as a partnership provider servicing accounts throughout Broward and Palm Beach Counties. Prior to joining Centene, I served as the physicians public relations manager for The Marrinson Group and patient acquisition

specialist at Surgical Consultants of Hollywood.

I received a B.A. in English/journalism from Florida Gulf Coast University and have received leadership and sales training certificates from Rapport Leadership International, University of Wisconsin-Madison, and Leadership Collier. I am currently studying for my masters in business administration at Arizona State University.

When not working, I am an active member of the Greater Fort Lauderdale Chamber of Commerce and an active Downtown Council board member. I am a devoted volunteer for the Children's Diagnostic and Treatment Center and Women United. I also love spending time with my sons, Cooper, Carson, and Cody and husband Richard.

I joined Riverwalk because I believe in their mission of building a vibrant Greater Fort Lauderdale. I support our local economy and residents and want to assist in Riverwalk's efforts to make our city the best it can be.



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A native of New Orleans with a love of food, music, and caring for others, I have resided in Fort Lauderdale for 17 years. In that time, I have been privileged to serve as chairman of the American Red Cross, The Broward 100 Club, and The Tower Forum. I have also served on the boards of The Broward Educational Foundation, the Planned Giving Council of Broward County, and the workforce committee of the South Florida Marine Industry and Finance Committee of United Way. I am a volunteer in the Broward College mentoring program for aspiring entrepreneurs.

As a resident of Las Olas, I was an early supporter of Riverwalk and greatly appreciate its additions to our quality of life. I am happy to be involved in our beautiful community and feel the best reward is seeing the pleasure and appreciation it brings others.



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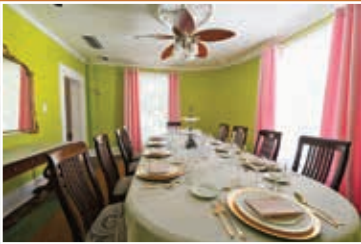


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Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale and the City of Fort Lauderdale kicked off the holiday season at Light Up Lauderdale's Get Lit event on Nov. 9 in Esplanade Park. Mayor Jack Seiler and commissioners "turned on" the holiday lights. Santa was there with his sleigh, along with pony rides and a train ride along the Riverwalk. The Broward Center Spotlights and the American Legion Symphonic Band performed live holiday favorites while attendees got a jump-start on their holiday shopping with the various vendors. [GO](#)



This year's turnout for the Downtown kickoff to the holiday season



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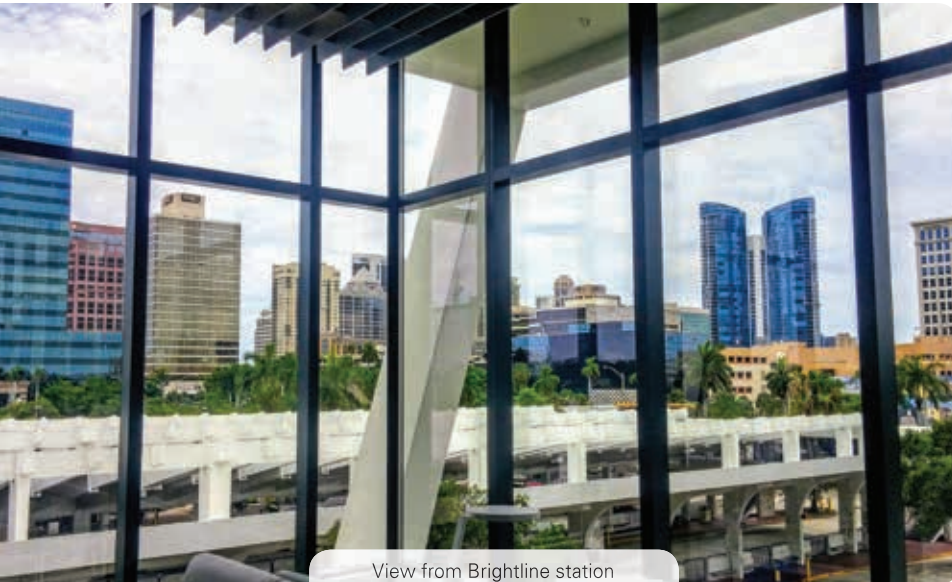


BY JENNI MOREJON
Executive Director,
Downtown Development Authority



AT A GLANCE

DOWNTOWN IN 2017



View from Brightline station

If it seems like this year flew by, you're not alone. A lot happened in Downtown in 2017 in what feels like no time at all. Construction cranes were a permanent fixture as thousands of new apartment units and hundreds of new hotel rooms were constructed. This investment and rise in the number of Downtown residents and employees helped support dozens of new shops and businesses that opened here, adding new energy and amenities to our growing urban core.

North of the river, the MASS District came into its own, with its eclectic art walk, attention-grabbing murals, and hip new bars and museums. Artistic energy trickled south along Andrews Avenue where the community came together to jazz up the defunct One-Stop-Shop with vibrant murals. In other cultural happenings, the Museum of Discovery and Science commenced plans for its latest expansion onto Broward Boulevard, which will include a playground of physics exhibits, while the Broward Center is kicking off plans to improve the Parker Playhouse near Holiday Park.

The Storm Center at MODS prepared us well for when the real thing hit earlier this year. Downtown Fort Lauderdale fortunately sustained minimal damage when category four Hurricane Irma barreled down on the Florida peninsula. Downtown more than proved its resilience after the hard learned lessons of Hurricane Wilma 12 years ago. Damage was sustained, however, to the ill-fated Las Olas

Riverfront complex when it was demolished over the summer to make way for the newer version of two residential towers and retail space, pumping new blood back into the heart of Downtown.

Key milestones in transportation included completion of the Brightline Station, signaling a return to passenger service on the Florida East Coast railroad. You probably even saw shiny new trains riding the rails, in testing mode, to soon whisk passengers up and down the region. Rail transit in Downtown is one step

closer to reality with the Wave Streetcar receiving full federal funding commitments, and Broward County having recently purchased five brand new Siemens vehicles. Construction for this long-awaited, modern light rail system is planned to begin next year and will be an important component in our ecosystem of mobility options. On the waterfront, the missing link of the northern Riverwalk was finally built, allowing for uninterrupted strolling from the Broward Center of the Performing Arts to the shops on Las Olas.

In the spring, Stiles Corporation and Broward College announced plans for a joint project to redevelop the campus site with Two Zero One Las Olas, the first large scale Class A office building to be built in the last decade! With ground floor retail and restaurants, a coming grocery store in the adjacent apartment project, and three Wave streetcar platforms providing access from the site to the Brightline station, this exciting new project will transform the long underutilized stretch of Las Olas west of Third Avenue. Adding to the energy is the opening of Rooftop @ 1WLO, Downtown's first skyward bar, and 100 Las Olas – the tallest building in the city at 499 feet! – and the first condominium project in over a decade.

So many firsts! That's what's exciting about building a Downtown. And I can't wait to see what's in store for 2018. As we raise our glasses to the sky, here's to a great year. Cheers! 🍷

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Does anyone go south of the river? I do and you should too. To me, south of the river is anything south of the New River. The City has a lot of focus on the Downtown and the beach in terms of development, activities, and attractions, but the area south of the New River is just as interesting.


This area is comprised of Regional Activity Center zoning districts (RAC-CC, RAC-PRO and SRAC-SA) that allow a mix of residential and commercial uses. The residential areas, in my opinion, are often overlooked. If you want to see some really beautiful older homes you should take a bike ride through the Tarpon River neighborhood. I have a close friend that lives there now and it wasn't until she moved into that area that I realized how special it is. The homes are beautiful, the streets are tree lined, and it's an easy walk to Downtown and the Riverwalk. Poinciana Park, Harbordale, and Croissant Park are similar with some really lovely homes all within an easy walk or bike ride to some great places for fun of all types.

If it's seclusion you want, south of the river can offer that too. It's amazing to me that we have neighborhoods that feel miles away from a large urban center with their own distinct personalities all within an easy drive or even bike ride to our vibrant Downtown. Take River

Oaks for example. A large portion of the homes in River Oaks are located on waterways. Have you ever been to Shady Banks or down to the Riverland Road area? You'll feel like you're nowhere near a bustling Downtown let alone a world-class beach. But the truth is you'll be only minutes away from fine dining, bars, and entertainment.

If you're in the mood to see how the other half lives you should take a bike ride through Rio Vista sometime. The homes are stunning and include every variety. From small bungalows built in the '40s to large palatial mansions of both older and newer construction. They also have a very mature tree canopy with large oaks throughout.

Riverside Park is an area I feel is often overlooked. If you bike along some of the streets you'll notice some very cool homes with interesting split-level architecture along the waterways. They also have some local establishments for food and drinks and I promise you'll feel like you're in an altogether different city. And you can't miss one the oldest bridges in Broward County. The historically designated Snow-Reed Swing Bridge is one of the more interesting structures you'll ever see in operation and one of only a few left in the entire state.

We live in a beautiful area of the world and when I have friends and family come to visit I always hear the same thing – "What's it like living in paradise?" When they say that they are mostly talking about our beaches and tropical weather and they aren't wrong. But, if you look around, there is a lot more to Fort Lauderdale and a lot of it is south of the river. 



The historically-designated Snow-Reed Swing Bridge in Riverside Park

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This year, I challenge you all to commit to practicing safe behaviors when walking, biking, and driving during the holidays. It is up to each and every one of us to make sure that we keep each other safe throughout this time of celebration and joy.

The reason why this is so important is because the choices you make on the road can determine whether you or someone else lives to spend the holidays with their families and friends. Every year there are a large number of deadly traffic crashes that occur within the city of Fort Lauderdale during the holidays, and it is up to you to help us to get closer to achieving zero deadly crashes on our streets.

Although we currently have less traffic fatalities compared to last year (currently we are at 20 fatalities compared to last year's 25), the year is not over. By analyzing our crash data we have seen that in the last few months of the year, deadly traffic crashes rise during

the holiday season. In 2016 over 30 percent of all traffic fatalities that occurred within the year were between the months of October through December – that is more than in any other time of the year. What is also alarming is that over 21 percent of all fatalities within the last five years had alcohol or drugs as a contributing factor to the cause of those crashes.

We want this year to be different. Instead of mourning the loss of a loved one this holiday season, join me in educating others and practicing the safe behaviors that will keep families whole. Below are some useful tips that you can use when deciding whether to get behind the wheel:

- Use alternative transportation options such as the Sun Trolley or Broward County Transit. For routes and information please visit www.suntrolley.com or www.broward.org/BCT respectively.
- Request rideshare services (e.g., Uber or Lyft) to avoid getting behind the wheel. Simply use the code “VisionZeroFTL” and receive a discount towards your first ride on either one of these services. Or arrange a taxi service. We want you to have a Vision Zero happy holiday season. Vision Zero is the goal to eliminate all deadly traffic crashes and serious injuries.
- Be aware of your surroundings when you are walking, bicycling, and driving. Be aware of what other travelers are doing and make sure they see **YOU!**
- Register for South Florida Commuter Services Emergency Ride Home Program to earn up to six free cab vouchers when you need a ride home in the event of an unexpected emergency. To read more on the program please visit www.1800234ride.com/emergencyridehomeprogram
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No matter how you choose to travel during the holidays I hope that you will help me in making sure all of our neighbors arrive home safely to their families. Give your loved ones the greatest gift this holiday season – your lives. Stay safe and most importantly, happy holidays! 🚗





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WHAT'S UP AHEAD FOR THE GREATER FORT LAUDERDALE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

The mission of the Greater Fort Lauderdale Chamber of Commerce's Downtown Council is to build and maintain a vibrant business and cultural community in Downtown through communication, collaboration, and leadership. One of the events the Downtown Council has supported since its inception is the Broward Partnership Breakfast for Champions of the Homeless. This is the event's 17th year, and it will be held at the Broward Partnership Huizenga Campus on Friday, Dec. 1 at 7:30 a.m. All proceeds help the homeless men, women, and families with children being served by the Broward Partnership. It is a fun event supporting a worthy cause and I hope to see you there!

It has been my pleasure to serve as the Chair of the Downtown Council in 2017. I am passing the baton over to Ashley Walker, Partner with Mercury LLC. I want to thank the Downtown Council board members for all their hard work this year in helping to build a vibrant Downtown and fulfill our council mission.

Our city is being noticed! Fort Lauderdale/Broward County was recently ranked sixth in PWC's Annual Emerging Trends in Real Estate study. Fort Lauderdale jumped 29 spots from last year and is recognized for having a growing concentration of young millennials. Companies are noticing this and are looking to set up businesses in our city, making real estate investment and development more attractive.

As we look toward the new year, the signature event for the Downtown Council is our Annual Downtowner of the Year luncheon. The 2018 event will be held on Thursday, Mar. 22 at the Global Event Center. We will be honoring

Kelley Shanley as the 2018 Downtowner of the Year. Shanley is the president/CEO of the Broward Center for the Performing Arts. He was appointed to his position in 2009 after serving as Broward Center's executive vice president and general manager for 10 years. Shanley led the organization through a \$58 million renovation, which included adding an education center, a bistro, a ballroom, premium hospitality experiences, and updating existing facilities. Broward Center is one of the top 10 most-visited theaters in the world. Through a venues management program, Broward Center also manages Parker Playhouse, Aventura Arts & Cultural Center, and the Rose & Alfred Miniaci Performing Arts Center on the Nova Southeastern University campus. Shanley has done a lot for Downtown and we look forward to honoring him in March! 



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As the dust and dirt of 13 years' construction fades away, Fort Lauderdale's South Side Cultural Arts Center busily readies for its much-anticipated public unveiling in the new year.

It's no secret that preservation and passion for this historic gem has stirred up its fair share of debate. South Side School's first life – nearly a century ago – was as one of Broward County's first elementary schools in the early 1920s. Saved from demolition by grassroots community activists, who enlisted the effort of several government agencies, the 11,000-square-foot Mediterranean Revival building joined the National Register of Historic Places in 2006.

Sharing an intersection with the 1938 Coca Cola Building and the 1925 South Side Fire Station, the thoroughly revamped South Side School has overcome its restoration challenges and will be reborn as a community-serving mecca for arts and culture.

As the County's local arts agency, we couldn't be more pleased to work with the City of Fort Lauderdale's Parks & Recreation department as they take the reins to open this historic gem as an arts and cultural learning hub for our community.

On the morning of Saturday, Nov. 18, 2017, the former South Side School opened its newly renovated doors to the public for an Artist and Instructor Workshop. After hosting a guided tour of the freshly-restored facility,

the free workshop provided attendees information on setting up programs, scheduling events, and holding community classes in the city's newest cultural hub.

Reflecting the collaborative nature of its multi-phase rehabilitation – the teamwork of countless Broward citizens, community leaders, and government officials and staff – the South Side Cultural Arts Center will offer wide-ranging artistic, cultural, and educational programming catering to Broward County residents of all ages and abilities.

From culinary classes in a fully-equipped kitchen to horticultural and landscaping lessons, South Side promises to become a thriving center for both residents and visitors. Bordering a more-than-seven acre park-turned-playground for children, the facility hopes to appeal to all generations – and interests.

For more information, visit www.southsidearts.org. 

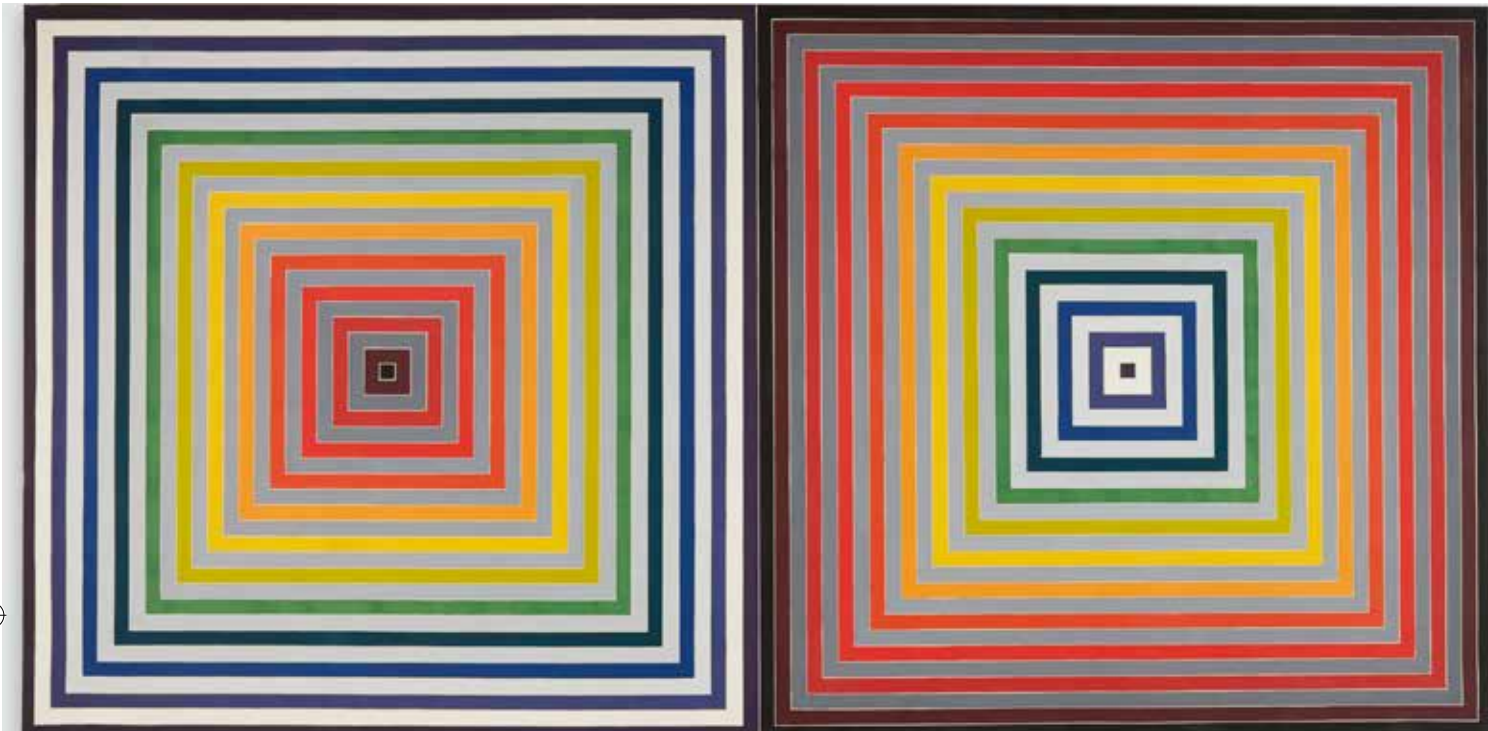


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Our region's economic prowess is sustained by great leaders who have been in place for some time. I believe this is one of the major contributing factors to our current state of affairs.

It holds true with organizations, too. When companies, school districts, cities, counties, and non-profit organizations falter, it is usually because they have the wrong leader or a revolving door of leaders.

Recently, I showed up for a Broward County Public Schools' meeting where Superintendent Robert Runcie's contract was up for renewal. This was atypical of me. In 33 years I have done it once. I'm glad I did.

The room was packed with overflow. Scanning, I saw Senator George LeMieux, past Florida Bar President Eugene Pettis, past Urban League Chairman Shaun Davis, Broward College President David Armstrong, Hoffman's Chocolate's President Randall Vitale, and a host of other business and civic leaders.

It must have been uncomfortable for Runcie. Sitting with his bosses as this public review was held. There must be a better way. Ever stoic, he took it like the leader he is. Straight-faced. Controlled. Humbled.

His contract was renewed. Salary increased. A couple of school board members voted against it. There was overwhelming support. Heck, even the teacher's union gave him a nod.

Then it hit me. Robert Runcie has delivered our kids, our future workforce and leaders, from the




Superintendent Robert Runcie

indictment and convictions of fraud and corruption. He has cleaned house, put us on the path for success, connected with the community, engaged with integrity and professionalism, and is just getting started.

Runcie is the perfect fit. His meager beginnings and goliath pedigree of success fuel my hunger to be better, more complete, and an example of a leader.

There are others – Bob Swindell, Greater Fort Lauderdale Alliance; Lee Feldman, City of Fort Lauderdale; Kathleen Cannon, United Way of Broward County; Dr. Germaine Baugh, Urban League of Broward County; Mike Jackson, AutoNation; Keith Costello, First GREEN Bank; Jimmy Tate, Rahn Bahia Mar; James Donnelly, The Castle Group, and many more.

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With plans to build 7,000 new residential units north of the New River and the ongoing activation of Las Olas Boulevard, along with the popularity of Fort Lauderdale's Historic District, the Museum of Discovery and Science/IMAX Theater, and the Broward Center for the Performing Arts, there is a vision for Downtown Fort Lauderdale beginning to emerge. While the north side of the New River seems to be undergoing its second cultural revitalization, the south side remains a blank canvas.

The south side is home to much of Broward County's judicial operations, high rise apartments, and of course, the working waterfront. Yet, it's starting to take on a definitive bohemian flair and a funky vibe reminiscent of trendy areas like Flagler Village, FAT Village, (Flagler Arts and Technology District) and MASS District (Music & Arts South of Sunrise) with a start-up, entrepreneurial feel.

There is great opportunity in the creative urban renewal of the south side as the unimpeded growth and development of Downtown Fort Lauderdale expands and extends there. It is an area that is known for housing many in the marine industry workforce, where a large portion of the 110,000 marine industry employees in Broward County arrive for work each day, and a place where the promise of broader transportation and transit solutions may be borne.

Thoughtful, purposeful planning should guide this renaissance so that the south side emerges with its own distinctive personality that is appealing to both younger millennials moving in as well as Fort Lauderdale natives who have grown up here. The challenge will be in the hands of City and County officials to provide the appropriate infrastructure necessary to accommodate the rapid influx of residents, their vehicles, and all that comes with them.

People will always be drawn to vibrant Downtown areas where there are options for an active lifestyle and choices of where to live, work, and play. Access to a variety of restaurants and entertainment, parks, and quality schools, all play an important role in the decision-making process. So too is quality of life and convenience, which means traffic solutions will be a critical component to the equation.

Brightline, with its new state-of-the art terminal near the corner of Broward Boulevard and Andrews Avenue, offers unique solutions for commuters headed to the heart of Miami-Dade and Palm Beach Counties, and future plans to implement the Tri-Rail Coastal Link, which would provide localized passenger rail on the FEC tracks throughout the tri-county region, are designed to collectively address the potential gridlock that threatens the roadways. Frequently stopping east-west traffic to accommodate those trains, however, is bound to exacerbate congestion and wait times.

With the understanding that it makes sense for freight trains to travel at grade to deliver goods from Port Everglades and points south, busy roads like S.R. 84, and Broward, Sunrise, and Oakland Park Boulevards that intersect with the railroad must be evaluated for flyovers that would allow trains to move simultaneously, without interrupting the flow of vehicular traffic. The addition of more passenger trains aimed at alleviating congestion would best serve our community from an elevated bridge over the New River that will not inhibit navigation and thus stifle business.


Solutions to a growing city's needs are within reach and those who are destined to become a part of the south side's resurgence must insist upon them. 



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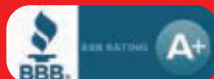


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ZOLA KELLER LAS OLAS

ORIGIN OF A FORT LAUDERDALE ORIGINAL

The Zola Keller upscale fashion boutique is a long-time fixture on Las Olas Boulevard and a Fort Lauderdale mainstay. Like most successful small businesses, it began with a vision, hard work, and passion.

One snowy evening in the early '70s as Zola Keller was walking home along Lake Shore Drive in Chicago, she decided to make a drastic change in her life. Zola explains, "I decided to move to Florida. I had a little girl and was living in Chicago and wanted to make a fresh start. I also love to play tennis and wanted to find a way to make a living, take care of my daughter, and still play tennis. I came up with the idea of making and selling crocheted bikinis. So I would knit at night, and in the morning I would go to all the beach shops from Palm Beach to Bal Harbor. Early on I would bring my mother and young daughter on the sales calls and I think people would place orders because they felt sorry for me." Zola quickly had a large stack of orders for her bikinis and thought, 'Now what?'

What Zola did next was to seek out experts. She went to Score, a Broward organization that helps small businesses start, develop, and grow their business. "At Score, one of the first things they suggested was that I buy my yarn at wholesale. Hence, that is how I met my husband Ave," says Keller. Ave's family owned yarn stores from Fort Lauderdale to Miami. After Zola met Ave and explained that she needed to buy yarn at wholesale, Ave suggested that they should become partners in the business. Ave may not have known a lot about the bikini business, but he saw the passion in Zola.

After several years, Zola outgrew selling bikinis to beach shops and approached a bigger buyer – Saks Fifth Avenue. She then needed to convert from creating bikinis to knit suits for women, which had a broader audience and better profit potential. Zola went into Saks at the Galleria, again with her mother and daughter in tow. "The women I talked with at Saks did not have the authority to make a big order, but she loved me, my mom, and daughter. More importantly, she loved my designs," elaborates Zola. Soon after the head buyer in New York visited Fort Lauderdale and also fell in love with the samples Zola had created.

Initially, to test the saleability of Zola's designs, Saks took a limited number of outfits and put them in their Galleria store. Unbeknownst to Zola, her husband Ave

hired three models over the course of several days and instructed them to go into Saks, try on the suits, rave about them, and purchase the outfits.

The technique worked. Soon after the models went through, Saks contacted Zola and said that shoppers were excited and they would like to place a big order. Ave did not have the

heart to tell Zola of his plan at the time, so he thought he would wait to tell her. Wait he did. He told her about his "model marketing program" 15 years later.

After several years with Saks, Zola decided to go into retail and opened up her own boutique. She established a niche as the place to get a custom gown. Over the years, her client list has spanned the gamut. Zola has dressed everyone from girls on the beach to Miss Americas and entertainers like Connie Frances and Lisa Vanderpump. However, her true passion is creating inspiring looks for brides and their mothers. Like her designs, Zola Keller is a true Fort Lauderdale original. 



Small Business Stats

ZOLA KELLER

Founders: Zola and Ave Keller

Year Founded: 1973

Number of Employees: 11

Interesting Fact: The Zola Keller store is the longest-running tenant on Las Olas at 35 years.

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WRITER PETE STEVENSON



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1st Avenue Residences

There has been a lot of fanfare and press about recent development projects in Fort Lauderdale. Moreover, most of that pomp and press has focused on projects on the north and near-north side of the river. This is not unwarranted, as we have seen the recent opening of the latest creation from mega-developer Jorge Pérez and his luxury apartment building the Icon Las Olas, currently the tallest building in Fort Lauderdale. Then there is the freshly completed Brightline station, the train service that links Fort Lauderdale with a 30-minute express ride to Miami or West Palm Beach, eventually offering a two-and-a-half hour ride from Fort Lauderdale to Orlando.

There is a revival in the near-north neighborhoods of Flagler Village and FAT Village, enclave to the young, hip, and artsy. There are close to a dozen mid-, high-rise, and multi-use projects planned, approved or under construction in the area. In addition, the Downtown on the north side is adding some much-needed hotel space. With more travelers staying in the heart of the city, the completion of the Riverwalk Connection on the north side of the river will make for a more walkable Fort Lauderdale.

Enough about the north side. Let's turn our attention south of the river. South Fort Lauderdale has a strong presence in several economic sectors including governmental, legal, health, and marine. It is an attractive location for both residents and businesses alike.

South of the river is not all about high-rise development, but small business have found it to be a favorable environment as well. Yachtees, a screen and direct-to-garment printing business that specializes in yacht and marine business apparel, loves their 1414 S. Andrews location. "This location [allows] us to be in the heart of Fort Lauderdale, with great access to the marine industry, yet it still has that 'Mom & Pop' type neighborhood," explains owner Damon Gibson. Being south of Downtown also affords them quicker access to the highways, airport, and seaport.

Directly across Andrews Avenue from Yachtees sits one of the more popular and successful restaurants on the south side – Tap 42. Sean and Blaise McMakin saw the potential of the south side early on after the recession when they opened for business. Now building



The Queue

on the success of Tap 42, they will soon be opening Bar Rita, their Mexican restaurant adjacent to Tap 42. Opening high-end restaurants transforms and adds to the blend of the neighborhood.


There was a lot of pent-up demand after the downturn and City leaders have worked with the Downtown Development Authority, the public, developers, and community leaders to make sure that it is the right balance of residential, commercial, and retail that will foster a vibrant city both north and south.

A few of the developments that have been greenlighted or are beginning construction on the south side include the following:

- The Queue – 817 SE Second Avenue. Recently-opened, fashionable studio with one, two, and three bedroom apartments in the heart of Downtown, just south of the river.
- 1st Avenue Residences – 477 SW First Avenue. A 35-story residential building with 380 residential units and 2,700 square feet of retail space.

- 488 Residences at Riverwalk – 444 SW First Avenue. A 38-story residential building with 362 residential units and 6,200 square feet of retail space.
- New River Yacht Club West – 401 SW First Avenue. A 36-story tower with 349 residential units.
- The 550 Building – 550 S. Andrews. A seven-story office building with 14,000 square feet of retail and restaurant space on the ground floor and a 663-space parking garage.

For a complete listing of new Downtown development, visit the Downtown Development Authority website, www.ddaftl.org/new-developments.

Fast growth is not necessarily a bad thing as long as it is done right. All world-class cities need to have a mix and Downtown Fort Lauderdale has smartly diversified its portfolio with office buildings, apartments, condos, restaurants, and a wide variety of attractions. We are finally no longer “that beach town.” 



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WRITER SUSAN DUARTE



Burlock Coast's chef de cuisine Paula DaSilva will participate in this year's JA World Uncorked

If you have found yourself looking for a worthy cause to give back to and would like to embark on a night full of food and fun, you need look no further than JA World Uncorked. The Circle of Wise Women, chaired by Katie Leibick, Summer Robertson, and Dawn Stagliano, has helped raise \$3.5 million for Junior Achievement of South Florida – an organization dedicated to educating local youth – and is currently preparing for its largest fundraiser.

Diana Metcalf, development director and overseer of this annual event, has trademarked the evening, “Create your own experience” and all in attendance can expect to choose from the many food, drink, and dessert options – reflective of our local culinary scene – as well as where and with whom they want to sit.

Over the past eight years there have been individuals who have undeniably contributed to the success of this event, and chef Paula DaSilva is amongst them. DaSilva, chef de cuisine at Burlock Coast at The Ritz-Carlton, Fort Lauderdale is the daughter of restaurant owners. She spent many of her teen years in the kitchen. As her love for cooking flourished, she proceeded to work towards a career in the culinary world, attending culinary school right after high school and managing a kitchen for the first time at the ripe age of 19.


DaSilva became a participant at JA World Uncorked seven years ago, and was moved by Junior Achievements' mission. Having nieces and nephews in the public school system who attended JA World allowed DaSilva to see what

this organization has been able to achieve firsthand.

When asked how she goes about generating a menu for the event, DaSilva mentioned that the time of the year and what's going to be in season is crucial, as well as the functionality of the event. Often times certain venues don't permit key elements – burners for example – so it is necessary to plan accordingly. “Preparation is very different for each event,” said DaSilva. Factors such as the number of people attending affect her capabilities of preparing food with more or fewer steps. In the case of JA World Uncorked, DaSilva usually spends at least half a day in the kitchen prepping vegetables and things of that nature, and the day of she spends transporting, setting up, and making sure food is presented properly.

This year JA World Uncorked welcomes back partners Breakthru Beverage and Funky Buddha, and because a food and wine event could not exist without food, there will be approximately 30 restaurants providing delicious bites: 3030 Ocean – executive chef Adrienne Grenier; Truluck's – chef Andre Webley and chef Joshua Bartram; and Grille 401 – chef Troy Beasley to name a few.

Metcalf enjoys bringing new chefs to the table to add variance, but ensures that the educational component stands firm. JA's World Uncorked's partnership with the Art Institute of Fort Lauderdale's culinary institute on 17th street allows students to act as extra hands for the participating restaurants, giving students the opportunity to work with these renowned chefs and putting them in positions to gain employment once they complete their programs. Focus on education is essential to all aspects of this event and creating these “win-win” scenarios is very important to Metcalf.

January brings with it cooler than usual weather, so attendees can anticipate food that's hearty and guaranteed to warm their bellies. Chef DaSilva makes it a point to step up her game for events such as these, and if you plan on being in attendance, you are in for a night you won't soon forget. 



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WINTERFEST'S COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

WRITER SUSAN DUARTE



2017 Junior Captain winner Grayson from Deliver the Dream




Winterfest's 2016 Family Fun Day

As we enter the holiday season, it is customary to reflect on the truly important things in life such as family, friends, and the communities that surround us. While negative circumstances affect us all individually, we are able to persevere through the love and support from our fellow community members.

Winterfest is an organization that not only understands the value of giving back, but as Winterfest's event director Dawn Reed says, "It is the heart and soul" of who they are. Reed, who has worked for Winterfest for the past 24 years, says that, "Partnerships with local non-profits have always played a major role within this organization." In terms of numbers, Winterfest partners with anywhere from 35 to 100 non-profit organizations annually and is always willing to listen to intriguing ideas.

There are many ways in which Winterfest engages with their non-profit partners, one example being the Junior Captain Contest in which nine non-profit organizations nominate a child to be the year's Junior Captain. The public votes for the winner via social media. Each child nominated gets to be on the Winterfest Santa show boat. The winner of the contest, along with family, friends, and members of the non-profit are invited to view the parade on the FPL show boat, where both the child's name and the non-profit's name are lit up on the boat.

In other cases, Winterfest provides free booth spaces at events like Family Fun Day and works closely with organizations such as Toys in the Sun Run from a marketing standpoint to cross promote. "It really is reciprocity. We are helping spread their message and with that we have a friend in that organization, so it works both ways. We have a larger audience and more people listening in a different way, so us being able to communicate the message of a non-profit that maybe isn't as well known and bringing [it] attention, hopefully that comes back to them by way of volunteers, funding, awareness, or even additional services," Reed says.

Winterfest has a special way of getting people together, in many situations introducing new funders to organizations in need that may have never been introduced otherwise. Being one of the largest spectator events in the country comes with many rewards, and this is an organization that has never lost sight of those who have helped them to accomplish success. "That's who we are. In everything that we do the community supports us, so everything that we do we want to give back and support the community." 

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WRITERS PENNY SANFILIPPO AND JONNY ALTOBELL – THE UGLY SISTERS

Now that Thanksgiving and all things turkey are over, we begin to plan the Christmas holidays. Nearly every magazine associated with cooking will feature a sumptuous table with foods we don't normally prepare because of their price tag. This includes beef – both tenderloin as well as our focus, prime rib roast. All prime rib is roast beef, but not all roast beef is prime rib. To guide us, we called our friend and former Johnson and Wales instructor, chef Alan Lazar and met him between classes at McFadden College where he is currently teaching.

Lazar, who has forgotten more about meat cutting than we will ever know, explained that there are 13 beef ribs, the low (1-5) at the front (chuck end) and the 13th being part of the loin. Numbers 6-12 are “prime rib”. Lazar suggests 1 lb per person (raw weight) or two people per rib. A whole 7 rib roast can weigh between 14 and 22 lbs so a good meat cutter will often cut it into two smaller roasts: the first cut or small end (ribs

10-12) or the second or large end (ribs 6-8 or 9). Order ahead from a local market (he suggests Smitty's) rather than a supermarket for superior meat. You'll taste the difference. See our web page for recipes and directions.

"But wait," some say, "I don't want to cook it, I just want to go somewhere in Fort Lauderdale and eat it." Well, that's easy and not. We are blessed with an abundance of good steakhouses, but not all prepare whole prime rib. Turns out: it depends how you slice it.

When is it a steak?

Rib steaks are cut from the rib roast then cooked. The bone in “kings cut” is enormous – 20-32 oz – as is the price tag at the steakhouses that offer them, which include: Capital Grille, Steak 954, Ruth's Chris, Timpano, Truluck's, Jackson's Prime as well as Morton's. Many also offer the smaller bone-removed “Queen's Cut”. Chima offers only boneless rib eye, but you can get beef ribs!



WRITERS PENNY SANFILIPPO and JONNY ALTOBELL (a.k.a. the Ugly Sisters)

They have owned Ala Carte Catering in Fort Lauderdale for more than 20 years. They recently retired from running their Downtown restaurant, the 11th Street Annex, and are looking forward to sharing all things food (restaurants too) with the readers of Go Riverwalk.



When is it a roast?

Traditional prime rib is slowly cooked on the bone, which helps keep the temperature low, then it is sliced and served pink medium rare. Most restaurants will not serve it well done (unless they have a crusty end piece). We all have memories I'm sure of overcooked, awful banquet stuff that may or may not even have been prime rib. Lucky for us there are a few establishments in town who do make the whole rib. Most specify that when it's gone, it's gone. This means they are doing it right and include some legendary local eateries: Chuck's Steakhouse (on Commercial), Tropical Acres (on Griffin), The Downtowner (on New River Drive E.)

After the research on this we felt that we should perhaps listen to the 1731 ballad "O the roast beef of Old England" by Englishman Henry Fielding, but unless we get invited to a do with the officers of the British Royal Navy or Artillery, who still play it for functions, it probably won't have the same impact. In fact, roast beef has been so associated with the British that an old French nickname for them was "les Rosbifs".

Wishing you all the best of the holiday season – and Rosbif for all! 🇬🇧



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NEW YEAR, NEW MENU

STILL STANDIN' AT BRINY RIVERFRONT IRISH PUB

WRITERS PENNY SANFILIPPO AND JONNY ALTObELL – THE UGLY SISTERS

With the ever-present and increasing construction in Fort Lauderdale it's all too easy to focus on "what's new" in the food scene. Designers are creating over-the-top beauties that awe and inspire as you dine. But what draws people to visit here remains unchanged – weather and water – and if you have great food, you've hit the trifecta. That's what Mike and Aileen Brennan have done for years at their Briny Pub location on the Riverwalk, but they have just taken the menu to a new level. Enter executive chef William Walden.


If some children are born with a silver spoon in their mouths, chef William was probably born with a wooden spoon in his hand. What else for the son of a French maman and a Welsh papa? He's been cooking since before millennials were born and has honed his skills at some very famous establishments all along the east coast, particularly Washington D.C. and northern Virginia. His challenge at Briny is to make the menu approachable – not refined pieces of food art. He uses the semi-old term "Gastropub", in which all things on the plate are edible, to describe Briny's food offerings but with freshly-sourced fish and house-made breads, pastries, and sauces he clearly is not serving pub grub.

We sat down on a breezy, sun-filled afternoon for

this interview, and were struck anew at this treasure of a spot. Although much of the old "Riverwalk" complex is demolished, Briny and the 460-space public parking structure remain (it is a flat \$5 fee). A few short steps to the New River brought us into Briny's "Cat 5" Hurricane netted patio, filled with nautical treasures suspended from the ceiling. The Water Taxi stops here, as does Dock and Dine (except Wednesday) and the hustle and bustle of the waterfront is all around. Of course it's about the food, but the ambiance is hard to beat. Chef suggested we try the smoked fish dip – yep, it was done right, with chunks of both smoked sea trout and whitefish.

The menu has something for everyone but seafood is abundant with future plans for a custom Raw Bar. Chef William purchases "gut style" mussels and feeds them to make them more plump, and the crab claws are as good as anywhere in town and for less money, I might add. As a matter of fact the entire menu is very reasonably priced, especially for the high-quality meals served. And because the Brennens are, well, the Brennens – there are a few Irish favorites available all year – not just Mar. 17. You can enjoy live music on the deck Friday and Saturday evenings and Sunday afternoons – and the weekend (Saturday and Sunday) features brunch served

until 3 p.m. each day. Be sure to try the Bottomless Mimosa or Bloody Mary (the mix is made in-house).

So next time you have a guest from the frozen north, take them somewhere that they can leave on their flip flops and shorts, sit by the water, and enjoy superb food. Give them a memory of real Fort Lauderdale. Luckily, we residents can go back anytime. 



IF YOU GO

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GENERAL EVENTS

Many Faces I Love

Through Dec. 8
The Mark K. Wheeler Gallery at
The Art Institute of Fort Lauderdale
(954) 308-2648

Fort Lauderdale Christmas Pageant

Through Dec. 17
Auditorium of First Baptist
(954) 831-1123

Light Up Lauderdale

December
Light Up Lauderdale runs through
early January as a celebration
of glittering holiday lights and
holiday garland presented by
Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale and
the City of Fort Lauderdale.
Esplanade Park
(954) 468-1541
www.goriverwalk.com

17th Annual Breakfast for Champions of the Homeless

Dec. 1
The Broward Partnership Huizenga
Campus
(954) 779-3990
www.bphi.org

Winterfest Black Tie Ball

Dec. 2
Hard Rock Hotel and Casino
(954) 767-0686
www.winterfestparade.com

Donizetti's Lucia Di Lammermoor

Dec. 2
Presented by the Florida
Grand Opera.
Broward Center for the Performing Arts
(800) 741-1010
www.fgo.org

The Broward Trust Historic Preservation Evening

Dec. 2
Fort Lauderdale Fire and
Safety Museum
(954) 592-0602
www.historicholidayhometour.org

Chopin for All Free Concert

Dec. 2
Tim Jones – Young American
pianist and winner of the
2017 Music Teachers National
Association's Piano Performance
Competition plays Chopin and more.
Broward County Main Library
(305) 868-0624
www.chopin.org

Cannonball Birthday Concert

Dec. 2
Dillard Center for the Arts
(754) 322-8828
www.olddillardmuseum.org

CDTC's Ribbons for the Children Art Auction

Dec. 2
Children's Diagnostic and
Treatment Center
(954) 728-1019
www.childrensdiagnostic.org

Riptide Music Festival

Dec. 2 and 3
Fort Lauderdale Beach Park
www.riptidefest.com

All Abilities Night

Dec. 3
The event will benefit Best
Buddies Broward.
iFLY Fort Lauderdale Indoor Skydiving
(954) 280-4359
www.iflyworld.com/fortlauderdale

Holiday Voices feat. Florida Singing Sons & Girl Choir of South Florida

Dec. 3 - 5
Presented by the Symphony
of the Americas.
Broward Center for the Performing Arts
(954) 335-7002
www.sota.com



Sunday Funday Tour

Dec. 3 and Jan. 7
This tour occurs on the first Sunday
of every month to coincide with
the Fort Lauderdale Jazz Brunch,
which takes place right outside
the Cycle Party storefront along
the Riverwalk. Come early for a
free mimosa or bloody mary and
listen to some sweet jazz along the
Riverwalk before hopping aboard
a Cycle Party bike to hit up some
amazing spots along Las Olas.
Cycle Party
(954) 633-4665

Gold Coast Jazz Society Concert Series: Ann Hampton Callaway: Diva Power

Dec. 6
Broward Center for the
Performing Arts
(800) 741-1010
www.fgo.org

Women of Distinction

Dec. 8
The March of Dimes organization
recognizes women who have the
ability to effect change.
Signature Grand
(754) 300-2604
www.marchofdimes.org

Winterfest Grand Marshal Reception

Dec. 8
Hard Rock Hotel and Casino
(954) 767-0686
www.winterfestparade.com

Winterfest Boat Parade

Dec. 9
The New River
(954) 767-0686
www.winterfestparade.com



School of Rock

Dec. 12 - 24
Bank of America Broadway in
Fort Lauderdale Series.
Broward Center for the Performing Arts
(954) 462-0222
www.browardcenter.org

Slow Burn Theatre Co: The Secret Garden

Dec. 14 - 31
Broward Center for the Performing
Arts
(954) 462-0222
www.browardcenter.org

Bad Santa Bus Loop

Dec. 15
Downtown Fort Lauderdale
(954) 574-6000
www.busloop.org



Romero Britto

Dec. 16
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Wentworth Gallery Las Olas
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Benefit for Friends of Birch State Park

Dec. 21
North Beach Art Gallery
(954) 667-0660
www.nobegallery.com

CDTC's Holiday Toy Drive

Through Dec. 22
Children's Diagnostic and
Treatment Center
(954) 728-1019
www.childrensdiagnostic.org



Riverdance

Jan. 5 - 7, 2018
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Orchestra Meets Jazz! feat. Errol Rackipov Group

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A Gentleman's Guide to Love and Murder

Jan. 9 - 21, 2018
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Gold Coast Jazz Society Concert Series: Cyrille Aimee & Shelly Berg Trio: Catch a Rising Star

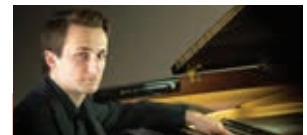
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Broward Center for the Performing Arts
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Stone Crab and Seafood Festival

Jan. 13, 2018
Esplanade Park
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www.goriverwalk.com

5k4kids Run

Jan. 13, 2018
Saint Anthony Catholic Church
(954) 728-1040



Chopin for All Free Concert

Jan. 13, 2018
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Chopin Competition, Alex Beyer
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Gold Coast Watercolor Society presents Absolutely Watercolor

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Talented local artists are
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Through Dec. 2

ArtServe Presents unWRAPPED: A Curatorial Collection of Art & Gifts
Dec. 6 - 29

ArtsUnited Presents Art Explosion
Jan. 8 - 26, 2018

BONNET HOUSE MUSEUM AND GARDENS
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www.bonnethouse.org

Bonnet House Orchid Festival
Dec. 2 and 3

Orchid Festival
Dec. 2 and 3

Light Up Bonnet House
Dec. 8

Holiday Magic Kick-off Party
Dec. 8

Holiday Magic Week
Dec. 8 - 14

Holiday Magic Self-Guided Evening Tour
Dec. 9 - 14

Birding Class: Birding Made Easier
Dec. 10

Lecture Series
Jan. 8, 2018
Digging Into The Past: Tequesta at Bonnet House with Sara Ayers-Rigsby, M.A., RPA Director.

Calligraphy Workshop
Jan. 9 - Feb. 6, 2018
Feb. 13 - Mar. 13, 2018

Watercolor in the Gardens
Jan. 10 - Feb. 14, 2018
Feb. 28 - Apr. 4, 2018

Acrylic in the Gardens
Jan. 11 - Feb. 15, 2018
Mar. 1 - Apr. 5, 2018

BROWARD CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS
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www.browardcenter.org

A Christmas Carol
Dec. 2 and 3

A Christmas Carol The Musical
Through Dec. 2

The Colors of Christmas
Dec. 6

God Save the Queen
Dec. 7

The Every Woman Comedy Tour
Dec. 7
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Master Chorale of South Florida: Handel's Messiah
Dec. 8

A Well-Strung Christmas
Dec. 9

Holiday Traditions Around the World
Dec. 18

Sister's Christmas Catechism: The Mystery of the Magi's Gold
Dec. 21 - 23

Cirque Dreams Holiday
Dec. 26 - 31

Henry Rollins
Jan. 3, 2018
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Family Fun: The Cat in the Hat
Jan. 14, 2018

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Craftapalooza - Make It and Take it Gifts for the Holidays
Dec. 2

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Dec. 12
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Ruth Cohan Jewish Book Review Series
Dec. 12

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Jan. 9, 2018

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Dec. 14

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Dec. 17



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Jan. 11

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www.stranahanhouse.org

Stranahan House Holiday Celebration
Dec. 1



Cookies with Santa
Dec. 2

Victorian Christmas
Dec. 15, 17, and 21 - 23



Holiday Hangover
Jan. 4, 2018

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Healing Waters Exhibit
Dec. 3
Opening day.

Edna Siniff Discusses Living Seminole
Dec. 9

Human Rights Day
Dec. 10
Come celebrate the 69th anniversary of the signing of the United Nations Declaration of Human Rights with local human rights champions in collaboration with the Healing Waters exhibit.

Historic Solstice
Dec. 21

MUSEUM OF DISCOVERY AND SCIENCE
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www.mods.org

Star Wars: The Last Jedi: The IMAX EXPERIENCE®
Dec. 14
Opening date

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Dec. 26 - 29
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The Way of the Jedi
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5-Day winter camp.



Amazing Butterflies Maze Exhibit
Through Jan. 8, 2018

Go with the Glow!
Jan. 8, 2018
Learn the physics behind what makes things glow! Learn about bioluminescent and fluorescent organisms, make glowing chalk and glowing drinks, and decode secret messages using UV light!

BBC Earth Presents: Incredible Predators 3D
Through Apr. 27, 2018

Amazon Adventure
Through June 6, 2018

Dream Big: Engineering Wonders of the World
Through June 6, 2018

NSU ART MUSEUM FORT LAUDERDALE
(954) 262-0258
www.nsuartmuseum.org

Bank of America Museums on Us Weekends
Dec. 2 and 3
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Dec. 7

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Jan. 4, 2018

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Dec. 1
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Dec. 2

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Dec. 7



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Dec. 8

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Dec. 15 - 17
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www.artsballettheatre.org

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Hemingway & Flamenco
Dec. 19
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www.southfloridasymphony.org

State Ballet Theatre of Russia:
Swan Lake
Dec. 30

The Zombies featuring Colin
Blunstone & Rod Argent
Jan. 9, 2018

Tango Fire
Jan. 13, 2018

A Night with Janis Joplin
Jan. 14, 2018

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Fourth Monday of the month
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Tuesdays
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English Café
Wednesdays
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Full Exposure Photography Club
Wednesdays
Broward County Main Library
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Behind the Scenes
Private Living Quarters Tours
Second and fourth Wednesdays of the month
Bonnet House Museum and Gardens
(954) 703-2614
www.bonnethouse.org



Free First Thursday Starry Nights
First Thursday of the month
NSU Art Museum
(954) 525-5500
www.nsuartmuseum.org

Networking Social
Third Thursday of the month
Broward County Main Library
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Ranger Guided Walks
Fridays
Hugh Taylor Birch State Park
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(954) 566-0660
www.birchstatepark.org

Live Animal Shows
Fridays and Saturdays
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First Friday Jazz Jam
First Friday of the month
ArtServe
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Friends of the Fort Lauderdale
Libraries Books and More Event
First Friday of the month
Broward County Main Library
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Food in Motion Flagler Green
Market
Second Friday of the month
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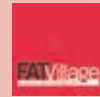
The VoiceBox
Fourth Friday of the month
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with Jack Wild
Saturdays
Broward County Main Library
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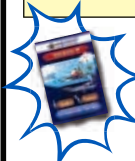
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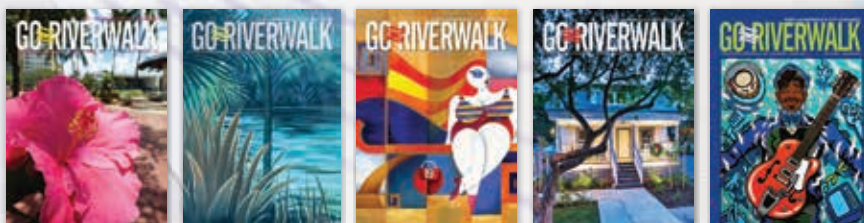


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JENNIFER HALEY

TITLE OF WORK: *SACRAL AWAKENING*

When conceiving an idea, this creative artist uses multiple elements while sparing no emotion. She shares her poetry from the heart in the dance of a stroke. Jennifer Haley was born and raised in Long Island, New York. Her mother is a long-time Florida resident and she has been living here on and off for 30 years. Her connection to art doesn't stem from a childhood passion, but rather a developed love and appreciation after many years of struggling to find her place. "There was the time that I was moving into yet another apartment in another city and I needed some artwork above my couch. There was this old Luan door sitting outside on my balcony and I decided to paint it. And that is where everything began. It was incredible. I did anything I wanted with paint, crayons, oils, and it was intoxicating. The freedom of it was intense," she says.


Her freedom of exploring the impossible within herself grew and she began to discover her inspiration. "It's nothing external, it's all internal," she says. "I believe that the most important and most difficult task of human existence is inner realization. This is the work of a lifetime. I led a life of irresolution, which kept me confused, vague or indecisive. When I gave myself permission to be an abstract artist, I discovered I was not what I thought myself to be. I also am a practicing Buddhist at Kadampa Meditation Center in Fort Lauderdale and the teachings of the Buddha have a profound inspiration in my work. The process of painting in the studio is where I am safe to discover

the complexities of who I am, resolve the dichotomies in my life, and contemplate these teachings. It's nothing external, it's all internal."

She finds solace in her studio, her favorite place to paint and she is happy to claim her artful identity. "I can't be anything else but an artist. It is my sanity. Anything else would just make me anxious, ungrounded, and difficult. I am very content where I am."

Her idea of abstract art is defined by the visual language of shape, color, form, and line to create composition. She describes her work as more of a mixed media with strong use of epoxy resin. "Encapsulated between and within layers of epoxy resin are shapes and forms created with inks, dyes, pigments, oils, and acrylics. This combination creates richness of color, profound depth with a hard, high-gloss finish."

Haley's biggest challenge is in the weight of paintings, as she will get swept up in the moment, making the painting a challenge to carry. Her paintings actually title themselves. "Sometimes the title starts and sometimes it is discovered in the end and changes many times throughout the process. The final name is decided when the painting and the words sort of have a resonating frequency," she says.

You can find Haley's brilliant abstracts on display at Lifestream Spa and Boutique, Fort Lauderdale. She has had the opportunity to be showcased at ArtServe and in FAT Village. For more information, visit www.jenniferhaleystudio.com. 





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