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Lisa Tineo is the new Director of Member Experience at the Tower Club. Lisa's primary focus is to provide experiences & events that meet the quality and expectations of the members of the Tower Club. "My goal, in this competitive market, is to emphasize the amazing and unique features that only the Tower Club possesses, and to create lasting memorable experiences for our members."



Jason Hughes recently joined the Tower Club as Membership Director. With over 20 years of experience in marketing, sales and programming for radio, television, print, and the Internet, driving business development for the Tower Club is a natural fit.

As General Manager of Classical South Florida radio and WPBI News, he oversaw the largest classical music network in the state of Florida.

He was owner and editor of a national magazine focusing on Canadian art and culture and he ran sales and marketing for two national television stations in Canada.



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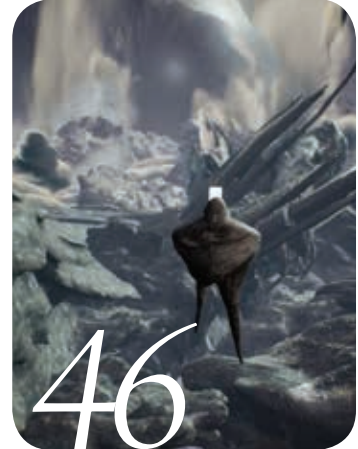
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ASHLEY - \$1,395,000

3BR/3.5 BATH SPACIOUS ASHLEY WITH DIRECT RIVER VIEWS. LIMESTONE FLOORS THROUGHOUT, TWO LARGE TERRACES, POGGENPOHL GOURMET KITCHEN, MARBLE BATHS, MOTORIZED SOLAR SHADES/LUMINETTES, CONTEMPORARY FIXTURES, AND MUCH MORE!

ASHLEY - \$1,100,000

3 BR/3.5 BATH ASHLEY NORTH WITH TWO TERRACES AND MARBLE FLOORS THROUGHOUT. GOURMET KITCHEN WITH GRANITE COUNTERTOPS, SUB ZERO REFRIGERATOR & MEILE DISHWASHER.

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JUST SOLD

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2 BR/2 BATH, PANORAMIC VIEWS OF THE OCEAN, RIVER & CITY. NEARLY \$200K DESIGNER FINISHES, POLISHED MARBLE FLOORS IN LIVING AREAS, DESIGNER LIGHTING, WATERWORKS BATHS & LARGE TERRACE.

BRADFORD - \$749,000

ENJOY OUTSTANDING OCEAN, RIVER, AND CITY VIEWS FROM EVERY ROOM OF THIS 2 BEDROOM 2 BATH SPLIT FLOOR PLAN. WOOD FLOORING, EXPANSIVE BALCONY AND CUSTOM INTERIORS.

BRADFORD - \$749,000

2 BEDROOM 2 BATH SPLIT BEDROOM PLAN. MARBLE FLOORING THROUGHOUT, GOURMET KITCHEN, DIRECT RIVER VIEWS FROM EVERY ROOM, 5 STAR RESORT AMENITIES.



CUSTOM ONE-OF-A-KIND COMBINED UNIT

OFFERED AT \$6,695,000

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JUST LISTED

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EXQUISITE 38TH FLOOR TOWER SUITE WITH MAGNIFICENT VIEWS OF THE RIVER & DOWNTOWN. EXPANSIVE WRAP AROUND TERRACE & LARGE OPEN FLOOR PLAN. ELEGANT DESIGNER FINISHES THROUGHOUT INCLUDING MARBLE & WOOD FLOORING, UPGRADED SNAIDERO GOURMET KITCHEN, BUILT-IN CLOSETS, & STUNNING LIGHT FIXTURES.

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PRICE REDUCED

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COLUMBUS - \$899,000

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LEXINGTON - \$749,000

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3BR/2.5 BATH - \$699,000

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PRICE REDUCED 3BR/2.5 BATH - \$675,000

SPACIOUS 3 BR/2.5 BATH RESIDENCE. BEAUTIFUL MARBLE FLOORS THROUGHOUT, WRAP AROUND CORNER BALCONY WITH VIEWS OF THE NEW RIVER AND DOWNTOWN FORT LAUDERDALE.

JUST LISTED 2BR/2 BATH - \$629,900

20TH FLOOR ELEGANCE, SOPHISTICATED AND CAPTIVATING SUNSETS. NEWLY RENOVATED KITCHEN, NEW S/S APPLIANCES, GRANITE COUNTERS, DUAL BALCONIES WITH NE VIEWS TO THE OCEAN, CITY & SKYLINE.

JUST LISTED 2BR/2.5 BATH - \$469,000

CONCERTO 6 CORNER UNIT, WRAP AROUND BALCONY WITH AMAZING VIEWS OF THE RIVER, THE PORT AND THE OCEAN. ITALIAN CABINETRY, S/S APPLIANCES. GRANITE COUNTERTOPS AND MORE!

PRICE REDUCED 2BR/2 BATH - \$369,777

SPLIT FLOOR PLAN WITH A FABULOUS LAYOUT WITH 2 SEPERATE BALCONIES. PANORAMIC CITY AND RIVER VIEWS FROM THIS UNIT.

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FIESTA - \$329,000

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MOONGLOW - \$669,000

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JUST LISTED MOONGLOW - \$659,000

27TH FLOOR 2BR/2BTH NE CORNER UNIT W/PANORAMIC VIEWS OF THE NEW RIVER, OCEAN, INTRACOASTAL, BRAZILIAN CHERRY WOOD FLOORING, GOURMET KITCHEN, & MUCH MORE!

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PRICE REDUCED SEAVIEW - \$619,000

BEAUTIFUL 3BR/2 BATH WITH DIRECT RIVER VIEWS FROM EVERY ROOM. CUSTOM WALK-IN CLOSETS, SIDE BY SIDE WASHER & DRYER, MARBLE FLOORING IN EVERY ROOM AND MUCH MORE!

STARDUST - \$585,000

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HIGH FLOOR 1BR/1 BATH WITH BEAUTIFUL RIVER, CITY & SUNSET VIEWS.

NURIVER LANDING



UNDER CONTRACT 3BR/2BATH

SPECTACULAR OCEAN, RIVER & CITY VIEWS FROM THIS 3 BEDROOM 2 BATH UNIT DIRECTLY ON THE NEW RIVER. VIEWS FROM EVERY ROOM.

JUST LISTED 1BR+DEN/1BATH - \$325,000

SUB-PENTHOUSE WITH 11 FOOT CEILINGS, OCEAN AND CITY VIEWS!

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On January 30, 2018 - the South Side Cultural Arts Center hosted a ribbon-cutting ceremony to kick off its grand opening. After years of construction, this historic school, first opened in 1922, is now re-opened to the public for classes in a large variety of arts and for use as a community building. Dance, gardening, painting and more are offered in the classrooms. Performance areas for music, poetry reading and concerts are available. This public gem is a grand new amenity to the surrounding 7-acre park/playground/fields that boast the 1st boundless playground in the City of Fort Lauderdale. The center is located at 701 S. Andrews Avenue and worthy of your time to enjoy this renovated facility and the surrounding park.

We are well into our tourist season and enjoy hearing the variety of accents and languages spoken downtown. Continuing the significant statistics from the Convention and Visitors Bureau and the business economics provided by the Greater Fort Lauderdale Chamber of Commerce, Fort Lauderdale is clearly a preferred destination. Easy access from the airport and the seaport, train connectivity with the new Brightline, along with good local ground transportation makes arrival and movement easy in our City. The addition of hotels in the downtown will offer more options to our visitors and business visitors along with the continuing growth

of first-class restaurants and more retail. Watch for the openings of Mango's, Boathouse, Henry's Sandwich Station and more. We are a hub of gastric delight. Also set to launch is the Tarpon River Brewing Company - another great option!

Continuing demolition of the buildings along Riverwalk from the South Andrews Avenue bridge area headed west, will soon present a blank palette along the river. There are a number of new buildings planned and in construction. Riverfront, both sections are down, and currently in demolition is the Sweet Building, one of the oldest high-rises in downtown. These properties will house residential, retail, restaurant, and commercial options and are expected to attract residents to our downtown. We are a growing city with lots of options. 



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➊ My lobbying career began in 1998 with Ericks Consultants, Inc. where I helped develop and expand the firm into a successful, multi-regional operation with a diverse book of clients. Over the course of the past two decades, I have developed an extensive network of contacts and relationships within the governmental, non-profit, and business communities. My hands-on approach within the governmental relations world has enabled me to develop a broad expertise in numerous subject areas.

So as a government relations professional specializing in Florida state and local government relations, I am excited about the new venture that I have formed with the Tripp Scott law Firm, TSE Consulting. TSE is the governmental

relations arm of Tripp Scott.

Outside of work, I am active in many organizations within the local community and throughout the state. I have been a longtime board member of the Florida Association of Professional Lobbyists (FAPL), an organization committed to establishing and maintaining high standards for the lobbying profession. Other activities include the Greater Fort Lauderdale Chamber of Commerce's Governmental Relations Committee; Vice Chair of Broward Days; and Vice President of the Florida Association of Intergovernmental Relations (FAIR). I am also a graduate of Leadership Broward.

I take every opportunity to work with businesses and local governments to help make Broward County a better place to live. So joining Riverwalk is a natural fit. Riverwalk truly brings our local government, businesses and community leaders together to make our community a better place to live, work and play.



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➊ Although I grew up in Queens, NY, I consider myself a Floridian since I have been living here longer than I have lived anywhere else. My husband and I have happily called Downtown Fort Lauderdale home since 2004 and have witnessed our quiet little town grow up to what I like to call a mini-New York.

My career began in the airline industry and for over thirty years I had the pleasure of traveling around the world seeing some amazing cities and towns. I got into real estate in 2001 when I began investing and decided to become a residential

realtor. With the ever changing market and laws, I enjoy the challenge and using the latest marketing tools and state-of-the-art technology. I pride myself on having a reputation for providing the highest level of service through a deeper understanding of her clients' needs. Whether it is a new or existing client, I am ready and willing to help them navigate the complexities of the real estate market whether it is a condo in the Downtown or a home elsewhere in Broward County. During my real estate career, one of my proudest accomplishments was being chosen to be 2015 President of Women's Council of Realtors.

When not helping people find their dream home, my husband and I enjoy dining out, country western dancing and Sunday walks on the Riverwalk. I joined Riverwalk to support its mission and to be more involved in our community.



TRUSTEE MEMBER

GREGORY LAKIN

BOARD CERTIFIED PLASTIC SURGEON

➊ As an internationally recognized board certified plastic surgeon from Fort Lauderdale, I have served as Chief of the Division of Plastic Surgery and Director of the Craniofacial Center at University Hospitals Rainbow Babies & Children's Hospital, and Assistant Professor of Plastic Surgery at Case Western Reserve University School of Medicine.

I received my undergraduate degree from Duke University and my medical degree from Ponce School of Medicine in Puerto Rico. My plastic surgery residency was completed at the University of Rochester Medical Center. I completed a fellowship in craniofacial research at the University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine and Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, and a fellowship in

craniofacial surgery at the University of California Los Angeles (UCLA). In addition, I also earned my MBA from the Weatherhead School of Management at Case Western Reserve University.

Today, I am a plastic surgeon at the South Florida Center for Cosmetic Surgery – a full service plastic surgery and medical spa practice providing a wide range of cosmetic procedures including facelift, neck lift, eyelid surgery, nose reshaping, breast augmentation, breast lift, mommy makeover, tummy tuck, liposuction, Brazilian Butt Lift, vaginal rejuvenation, laser facial resurfacing, fat grafting, Botox, and facial fillers.

I am married with one daughter. When not working (or getting another degree), I enjoy spending time with family, running, going to the beach, fishing, reading, dining out, and traveling. I joined Riverwalk because I want to be more engaged with and support the community of businesses and individuals that form the Riverwalk.



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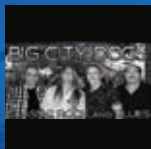
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Victor Canales shucking oysters for Shuck & Dive



Throng of festival goers, 15,000 people enjoyed seafood at the festival this year



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Rose Faraone enjoying some Lundberg Crabby Rice Chips



Rachel Smith tending bar with Finlandia Vodka



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Thousands flocked to downtown Fort Lauderdale on January 27th to judge Riverwalk's 3rd Annual Chili Cook-Off at Esplanade Park. Chili teams were local businesses that were made up of or partnered with a non-profit organization. Each team picked a classic movie to represent the theme of their booth. Team Emerald Isle, better known as Oompa Loompas, took home the trophy for Best Dressed Booth. The second place chili award went to team Fire & Water, but attendees really ate up the chili from The Three Amigos, of Rebuilding Together Broward, and awarded them first place in the competition. 



Chili Champions, Team The Three Amigos on stage



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Crowd awaits the chili awards



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RIVERWALK FORT LAUDERDALE WINTER POWER MIXER

On February 5th, Riverwalk Trustee Members came together at the new and improved Briny's Pub for an evening of high-level networking. They were also treated to great food and drinks from the host and learned about the latest happenings in the Riverwalk District. The event was sponsored by Hotwire Communications, a leader in fiber optics telecommunications. To learn how to become a Riverwalk Trustee and be invited to these exclusive events, call 954-468-1541 ext. 206. [GO](#)



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FORUM TO FOCUS ON OUR PROGRESS AS A CITY

Downtown Fort Lauderdale is having its moment, or as some may say a series of transformational moments. Various news outlets and visitors from all over the world are taking note of our burgeoning art scene, expanding residential community, and exceptional quality of life. To mark this momentous time, the DDA will be teaming up with the Urban Land Institute (ULI) for the upcoming Fort Lauderdale Emerges: Development & Investment Forum, to be held on Wednesday, March 21 at the NSU Art Museum in Downtown FTL.

ULI is the oldest and largest network of real estate and land use experts in the world, so it is a great privilege to be co-hosting this event with them. Like the Downtown Symposium and Inside Downtown events the DDA has hosted in years past, this forum will serve to highlight our incredible progress and share exciting new ideas about how to build a better community. The event kicks off with Mayor Jack Seiler describing the city's ascent during his nine-year term. Bob Swindell of the Greater Fort Lauderdale Alliance will give an overview of economic development trends, while Ken Krasnow from Colliers International will present an update on the local and regional real estate market.

The first panel, moderated by Melissa Milroy, of the Galleria at Fort Lauderdale, will highlight the extraordinary growth that's been shaped by foreign capital, new housing trends, and modern

transportation investments. Greg Stuart, Executive Director of the Broward Metropolitan Planning Organization, Alan Hooper, President of Hooper Construction and DDA Board Chairman, and Peggy Fucci, President & CEO of OneWorld Properties will kick off this informational discussion.

Next up is a dynamic group of real estate developers helping to reshape the city's skyline and add new energy to the urban core. David Lyons, Business Editor of the Sun-Sentinel, will moderate a lively discussion with speakers that include Ken Stiles, CEO of Stiles Corp., Ryan Shear, Principal of Property Markets Group, and Robert Vail, President of Kolter Urban Division.

The event will then pivot to some of our most influential community leaders describing the major investments that have been and will continue to be made to build our world-class city. From professional sports teams to retail and supply chain, from Broadway shows to research universities, top leaders from these industries will be sure to inspire you with their view on the future. Wrapping up the event, the newly elected Fort Lauderdale mayor will take the stage with concluding remarks and share with us their forward-thinking vision for ensuring Fort Lauderdale continues to emerge.


For more information on this intriguing forum and for sponsorship opportunities, please visit www.seflorida.uli.org. 



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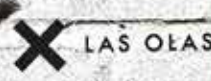
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So I got really excited about this topic for the March article because I think of myself as an armchair engineer and scientist. As a kid, I always loved watching shows about the future, and I still do. I was always amazed at the possibilities of future: the new products that would make our lives easier and exciting and give us the ability to open new doors through science and technology. Some of those things I saw as a kid have come true in one way or another. For about \$6,000 bucks you can have a water jetpack that hooks up to personal watercraft and allows you to actually fly over water. There are trains that float on magnetic fields and can travel between 200 and 400 miles per hour. We have computers that sit in the palm of our hands that I know I cannot live without. They do it all... phone calls, pictures, schedules, emails, texts, movies and TV, monitors your health and exercise, starts your car, manages your home's security and climate controls, allowing you to see and do things that 15 years ago seemed not only unlikely, but perhaps even impossible.

How can new technology affect the city we live in? Well, let's talk about parking. Imagine you are driving around the city on a weekend evening to get to that great new rooftop restaurant that you want to try out, but you just can't find parking. Well, someday soon you will be able to fire up that smartphone, open an app and let it

tell you exactly where the empty spaces are. No fuss. No muss. It is called a Demand Parking Management System, and I can't wait for Fort Lauderdale to get this.

What about our buildings? Well, there are automated systems that monitor heating, ventilation, lighting, security, air conditioning, and other systems. Using sensors, actuators and microchips vents and windows and thermostats can be adjusted on the fly by reacting to changing conditions that make modern buildings efficient by optimizing energy usage. This reduces the overall environmental impact of these buildings, which helps with the overall quality of life.

I am probably most excited about the automated vehicle, vehicle-to-vehicle (V2V), and vehicle-to-infrastructure (V2I) technologies. In my opinion, these have the potential to have the biggest positive impact on our urban areas, especially when you combine these with demand parking management systems. These technologies could manage and reduce traffic, make pedestrian activity safer, move vehicles smoothly through our downtown and urban areas, allow for better-designed streets, and reduce overall parking needs. I would love to get in my car, tell it where I want it to go, and not worry about getting there, having too much fun or getting home safe.

There are so many wonderful things that are being


developed on an almost daily basis. Someday soon we may be able to buy tickets on space flights, travel through tunnels at near supersonic speeds and drive a fleet of vehicles that don't need fossil fuels at all...thank you Mr. Musk. Every day can be an optimistic look at the future if we are willing to open our eyes and see and accept the possibility. Even tried and true technologies from the past can help with our current and future problems if we give them a chance. 

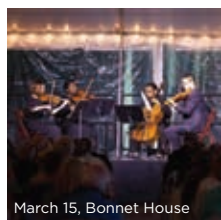


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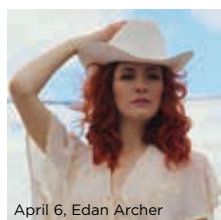


March 15, Bonnet House

Fort Lauderdale Beach has become famous for more than just its sun, surf and sand, and one experience topping the list in 2018 and beyond, is the seaside Music scene. In addition to mega music concerts Tortuga Music Festival and Riptide Music Festival, the weekly free Friday Night Sound Waves concerts and Bonnet House Museum's annual Concerts Under the Stars, on any given day or night you can catch some of the finest local musicians performing at the area hotels, restaurants and bars.

For a calendar of nightly Live Music performances, dance over to Fort Lauderdale Beach's destination website, www.MyFortLauderdaleBeach.com

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April 6, Edan Archer

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flight, which was recorded and posted to their website for visitors to vote on their favorite contestant.

The grand prize? An opening slot at the sold-out Destination: Red Rocks concert, hosted by Southwest Airlines in June 2017, headlined by The Fray.

While Archer did not win, she did make an impression on Southwest, who recommended her for one of their Presenting Night performance at Friday Night Sound Waves in 2018. You can catch Edan and her band, The Resolve, which includes fellow South Florida songwriter, Chloe Dolandis, during Friday Night Sound Waves Country Music Weekend tribute on Friday, April 6.

To view Edan's Live at 35 video, along with other Southwest music content, visit Southwest.fm.

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CELEBRATE BIKE MONTH

Every March in the State of Florida there comes a time to celebrate one of the fastest growing recreational and enjoyable modes of transportation – bicycling. Just in the United States alone, there are an estimated 66 million people who regularly ride a bicycle. So why the big fuss and why is there an entire month to celebrate bicycles?


Besides the obvious benefits that come with biking, including traffic congestion relief and sustainability, I hope that the positive health benefits associated with riding a bicycle will encourage everyone to ride your bikes and celebrate with me this March. Cycling as a whole is a way to engage in regular physical activity all while getting you where you need to go. Just two to four hours a week of riding your bike can prevent many leading causes of death in the United States including stress, anxiety, depression, cardiovascular failure and of course obesity.

Riding your bike will also allow you to work out many of your core muscles, joints, and organs. Why pay for a gym membership when you can ride your bike to your favorite grocery store or even your job? Opting to engage in exercise through cycling can lead to improved joint mobility, increased muscle strength and even greater flexibility... for free! Studies show that you can burn an average of 450 to 750 calories an hour just for riding your bike moderately. That is an average of over 31,000 calories burned a year if you only bike for one hour a week recreationally!

Not only will you be healthier but you will also be saving an average of \$800 a year if you quit your gym membership and choose to take your bike out for a spin instead. That is not even including the money you can save from not having to pump your gas regularly or pay for a car at all.

Now before you get on your bike and work towards meeting your New Year resolutions and fitness goals, I want to urge you all to stay safe when riding your bike around town. Please obey all traffic laws and follow these simple safety tips:

- Always wear and buckle a properly fitted helmet.
- Be visible. Wear bright colors and/or use lights or reflective wear.
- Know the traffic safety rules, including riding in the same direction as traffic in single file.
- Stop at all stop signs and signals.
- Choose safe routes to ride, including streets with less traffic and slower speeds.

I hope you all join me in celebrating Bike Month and take advantage of all the significant benefits that come with spinning your wheels. For more information on Florida Bike Month, including a list of great events that you can attend all throughout the state, please visit the Florida Bicycle Association website at www.floridabicycle.org/march-is-florida-bike-month. 

Assistance with the article from Juan Rodriguez.



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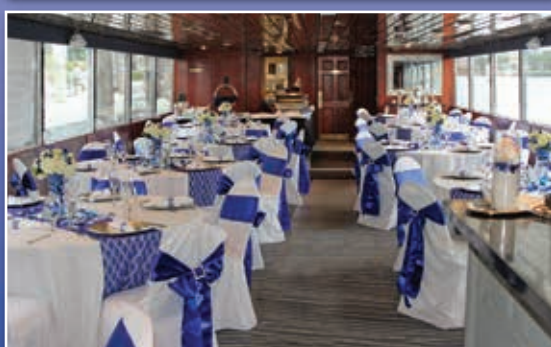
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Our city has been proactive in making our downtown core a true destination. There has been a conscious effort to bring in new restaurants, create pedestrian-friendly spaces where people get out of their cars, make way-finding easier for visitors that are not as familiar with the area, and attract world-class events for the entire community to enjoy. Most recently, the city of Fort Lauderdale has been working to transform the Riverwalk Center, a public parking garage downtown, into a more inviting space that will become a hub for visitors that are trying to find

their way to all of our downtown amenities, such as the Riverwalk and multiple parks. Helping visitors and tourist find their way to our beautiful parks and outdoor community spaces will only help draw more visitors to our area.

All of these positive developments in our downtown area are attracting more visitors and residents. On the first Sunday of the month (11 AM – 2 PM), there is a Jazz Brunch where friends and families come together for jazz music along the Riverwalk at this free and fun event. Additionally, this month the City of Fort Lauderdale is hosting its annual St. Patrick’s Day Parade and Festival on March 10th. This event has been growing along with our downtown, and it is one of the cities largest and most anticipated events of the year. Whether you are coming downtown to attend one of our public community events or you are taking a stroll along the Riverwalk to enjoy Esplanade Park or one of the numerous downtown restaurants, there is something for all ages, as well as residents and tourists alike.


A thriving downtown is the heart of a community, and I am excited for what is to come for our downtown. 



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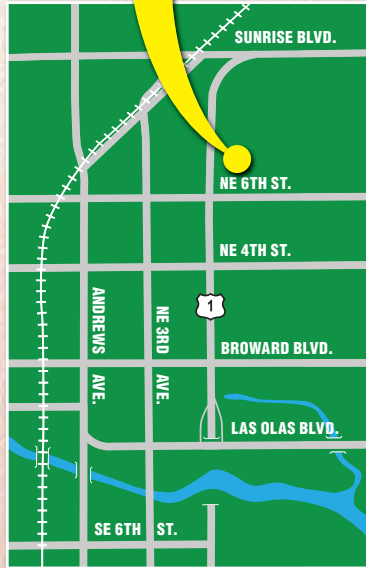
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CHALK LIT'S LIVE ART TRANSFORMS DOWNTOWN

FROM PAVEMENT TO PAINTINGS

Artists of all abilities turned ordinary concrete into a canvas of unlimited possibility. Broward's Main Library north plaza lived up a chilly Saturday in January with the original chalk art of 25-plus local and out-of-state artists. Whether flying in from Chicago, Amtracking it from St. Petersburg or braving the Miami SunPass, the diverse crowd of 2D and 3D artists crossed the country – and county alike – to take part in Chalk Lit: Broward's inaugural chalk festival. The festival was brought to you by the Broward County Cultural Division and the Main Library.

Checking in at 7 a.m. for their assigned plots of sidewalk, the featured artists began their day's work of transforming power-washed pavement into vibrantly inventive chalk fantasies. Inspired by classic literature and contemporary beach reads, the live, literary-themed art of Chalk Lit brought life – in full color – to downtown Fort Lauderdale. Chalk Lit's open-air chalk art was not limited to professional artists, however. The day-long interactive festival encouraged its 6,000 attendees to try their hand at the versatile art form. From kids and adults' bold strokes to the chalk pawprints of canine pals, Chalk Lit turned public sidewalks into a dynamic landscape of chalk art.

The festival offered live entertainment, hands-on crafts, food truck fare and face painting while flooding into the streets nearby. Fueling attendees with CoffeeHub Café's pedal-powered espressos, Chalk Lit



featured a kids-only chalk zone, family-friendly demos with Blick Art Materials, NSU Art Museum-curated workshops and a People's Choice Award courtesy of Jerry's Artarama. Heading up Chalk Lit's pavement artists, acclaimed artist, and arts educator Carrie Bennett kickstarted attendees' creativity. Her large-scale collaborative chalk mural actively encouraged the public to pitch in – and to leave their chalk mark on the freestyle chalkboard panels.

Sparking overwhelmingly positive feedback – and enthusiasm to spare – from the Broward community, #ChalkLitFest will return in 2019 by popular demand. Mark your calendars now to see this spectacle for yourself on Saturday, Jan. 19, 2019. [Go](#)



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TERMS OF ENGAGEMENT

GETTING AND STAYING INVOLVED WITH PUBLIC POLICY

You are either at the table or on the table. Many of you have heard me say or write that over the years as it relates to public policy and being involved in the governmental process. There is more at stake than ever before in South Florida. State, federal and local appropriations for massive infrastructure investments—sewers, roads, seawalls, dikes...the list is limitless.

Education competes annually for funding and policy that will help improve the currency most relevant to our economy—employment talent.

I am in Tallahassee as I write this sitting on the deck of the Firefighters' Association building just down from the Capitol. Around 200 concerned leaders are here attending Broward Days. We are part of a process to amplify our concerns on a variety of issues—economic development, healthcare, education, affordable housing, etc.

Earlier in the week, I joined over 100 individuals at the Fort Lauderdale City Council and the Broward County Commission to ask elected officials to continue their agreement to construct and manage the WAVE Streetcar downtown. As of this writing, it is still on track.

Your involvement, whether going to Tallahassee, Washington, the county or city commission, the school

board, or any other elected or appointed bodies, is critical to the end product. All of us pay taxes in some shape or form. In a democracy, involvement is key to successful outcomes.

On a panel at Broward Days, I reiterated the importance of staying the course on issues. From the time a piece of legislation is filed to the time it passes could be years. Some legislation never passes. Many don't look anything like they did when filed. All deserve scrutiny and conversation.

Another area we learned more about is being discussed publicly by our Constitution Revision Commission. Senator Chris Smith brought to us 37 issues being discussed by the CRC, which will go into session on March 19 to decide what changes we will be asked to decide in November. Things like allowing vouchers for parochial schools, allowing victims to not submit to depositions, banning greyhound racing, a nursing home bill of rights, and banning offshore drilling, may be on the ballot as amendments to our Florida Constitution.


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Here in the Yachting Capital of the World, a large vessel is often considered to be comparable to a floating city, and the output of building, maintaining, and repairing the myriad elements of such a vessel is staggering. No matter if it is 12" or 10' diameter inflatable fenders, fender covers, or inflatable docks and platforms, AERÉ Docking Solutions produces practical technology and innovative products right here in Broward County. In 2017, Neptune Boat Lift in Fort Lauderdale was considered the fastest growing boat lift maker in the world. With over 150 marine contractors and professionals, it installed lifts in 23 countries. ACR Electronics designs and manufactures cutting-edge rescue beacons and survival gear for boaters and others. Its Survivor Club currently boasts 406 members! Quantum Marine Engineering builds stabilizers for yachting, military, and commercial applications. ThrowRaft entrepreneur and native Floridian, Troy Faletra, developed auto-inflatable and U.S. Coast Guard-approved personal floating safety devices after an incident at sea left him spending 16 hours in the Atlantic Ocean swimming nine miles to shore.

In the world of science, the Marine Research Hub of South Florida, a consortium of four universities, three economic development organizations, and MIA SF, hosted a visit in January by the newest research vessel in the fleet of the Florida Institute of Oceanography, the 78' R/V W.T. Hogarth. This vessel was toured by hundreds of college and

high school students interested in marine and oceanographic research, local scientists from Nova Southeastern University, and local community leaders. The Hub is dedicated to promoting underwater scientific research that may make a positive impact on the health of the oceans and bring substantial benefits to the global population and the human condition. A few of these programs include Florida Atlantic University's Harbor Branch Oceanographic Institute researchers are curing pancreatic cancer in vivo using leiodermatolide found in deep-water sponges. While graduate students at the Rosenstiel School of Marine and Atmospheric Science at the University of Miami are helping to repopulate the world's third largest barrier reef, and the only barrier reef in North America, along with the southeast coast of Florida with staghorn coral grown in a laboratory environment. Finally, at the Florida International University School of Environment, Arts, and Society Marine Science Program, they are studying how to reduce or eliminate the risk of hospital-based infections like staph and MRSA by mimicking the properties of shark skin on scalpels.

Few words epitomize technology quite like the word, Google. MIA SF recently announced a partnership with the region's certified Google Street View content provider to launch a first-of-its-kind resource that will bring the popular Google Street View virtual tour technology onto the Intracoastal Waterway and the many waterfront and land-based businesses serving boaters in Palm Beach, Broward, Miami-Dade, and a portion of Monroe counties. The Waterway View app will be a free download from the Apple app store and on MIA SF's website beginning in June.


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TravelHost Magazine is omnipresent; we have all seen it, read it and used it in our travels. TravelHost is celebrating its' 50th Anniversary and has been read by over 3 billion travelers. Of all the TravelHost editions, TravelHost of Greater Fort Lauderdale is considered the best in the country. This distinction is because of the hard work and dedication of one individual – Ina Lee. Lee is the publisher and owner of TravelHost of Greater Fort Lauderdale, which has morphed into a fully integrated media company, with an extensive digital and social media footprint.

A business with this reputation and reach does not arise overnight. Lee has been in the magazine business, in some form, for most of her adult life. "I started when I was 19 years old. I was the youngest managing editor of a magazine in New York City. I ended up working for two magazines in New York then took a job with a magazine in California," Lee said. However, sometimes there are forks in the road of life. "One day, in California, when I was driving to the printing plant, I had an accident. That accident was the catalyst for me to make a change in my life. So I walked into work the next morning and quit my job and became a hippie for many years. Eventually, I had kids and packed up my Volkswagen van and decided to move to Southern Florida. I had a four and seven-year-old at the time, and I needed a way to support them. So in 1978, I became editor at TravelHost of Miami, but then a few years later a TravelHost franchise opened in Fort Lauderdale, and I became the editor, ultimately I bought the Fort Lauderdale location outright in 1982. We are now the oldest tenured TravelHost in the country," added Lee.

TravelHost Media Group of Greater Fort Lauderdale has evolved over the years, to reflect the changes both in tourism and Fort Lauderdale. "Tourism is our number one industry here. There have been major changes to Fort Lauderdale as a travel destination over the years. I remember when it was primarily seen as a spring break destination. Back in 1985, we were getting over 400,000 college students coming down here. Eventually, the City passed the Open Container Law, which did not allow an open container of alcohol east of the Intercoastal," explained Lee. After that crackdown, Fort Lauderdale lost 150 million dollars worth of business in two years, and the beach became a blighted area. So Ina Lee was a primary driver who



got to work on a variety committees and councils and who transformed Fort Lauderdale from a spring break destination and turned it into what it is today – a world-class travel destination. "We now have a Ritz Hotel, a Four Seasons and a W Hotel, among others, along the beach. We are also becoming a culinary, arts and cultural destination. There is something for everyone here now and at every budget level. People want "experiences" when they travel and don't necessarily want to just sit on a beach. Fort Lauderdale can now provide a wide variety of things to do and see, and TravelHost can tell you about all of them. However, sitting a beach is still great too! ☺

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BY STACY RITTER

President/CEO, Greater Fort Lauderdale
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BROWARD COUNTY IS “GREATER TOGETHER”

INITIATIVE TO SHARE AND SHOW OUR DIVERSITY

On United Nation’s World Travel Day, September 27, 2017, the Greater Fort Lauderdale Convention & Visitors Bureau (GFLCVB) launched an unprecedented initiative called “Greater Together” to serve as a warm and inviting welcome for all visitors – an expression of the destination’s open-door and open-heart philosophy.

The initiative shares with the world that diversity is built into the DNA of Greater Fort Lauderdale and the community’s pride in that diversity. Central to the initiative is a beautifully crafted video that vividly shows how the destination expresses its inclusive style of hospitality. The video ends with a reveal of a human thumbprint and a welcome message in multiple languages. Why a thumbprint? It is unique to each one of us, but also everyone has one. It is the one thing that sets us apart and makes us unique but also binds us together as humans.

Featured on the destination’s website (sunny.org/greatertogether) are diverse profiles of residents describing why they enjoy living in Greater Fort Lauderdale and visitors visting how they feel welcomed by the community. The “Faces” component of the program includes key locals who were featured in the video and communicated how they feel connected to a place that embraces everyone and where diversity shines.

To bring the campaign to life in the community, the CVB took to the streets (or the sands) for a collaborative live art project with local artist Ruben Ubiera. The activation took place during the 2nd Annual Riptide Music Festival with the CVB commissioning a 12-foot-tall thumbprint mural and Ubiera inviting festival-goers to create one work of art that celebrates everyone. Other activations are being planned for public appearances of Ubiera’s artwork as a thought-provoking statement on the destination’s goal to be recognized as a travel industry leader in connecting human values with tourism marketing.

The Greater Fort Lauderdale Convention & Visitors Bureau (GFLCVB) has long been an industry leader in engaging visitors from all walks of life. All visitors no matter their race, gender, religion or whom they love are welcome and should have an unforgettable experience along the area’s sun-kissed shores.

For example, the GFLCVB was the first tourism destination to establish a dedicated LGBT+ marketing department with an LGBT+-centric vacation planner and dedicated CVB website promoting its gay-owned businesses. Other initiatives included a comprehensive,

travel industry first “Transgender Travel” survey to understand better the needs of the community with findings incorporated into destination-wide hospitality practices and the launch of a global marketing campaign embracing the ideals of universal inclusivity.

These are a few steps Greater Fort Lauderdale has taken to lay the foundation of the Greater Together initiative – that takes diversity into other realms to reach a broader audience.

Greater Together will come to life in many ways – including a brand identifier that uniquely sets us apart from other tourism destinations. It speaks volumes about our culture – our very being as a society and community.

The GFLCVB is asking residents and visitors alike to join the #greatertogether movement and show community pride by contributing their “inclusiveness” stories. All that is needed is to answer three simple questions about what they love about Greater Fort Lauderdale and why they like being here. The more stories shared, the more people all over the world will know Broward County is a warm, welcoming destination. We are all Human. We are all One. We are all Greater Together.

We encourage everyone to get started by watching the Greater Together video and sharing what you value at sunny.org/greatertogether. [@](#)



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For a list of the 2018 community outreach events, please view our outreach calendar at <http://www.bcpa.net/Events.asp>. If you would like a BCPA representative to attend one of your community meetings, please contact Michael Clark at mclark@bcpa.net to schedule.

If my office can ever be of assistance to you, please visit our website at www.bcpa.net, call us at 954-357-6830 or email me directly at martykiar@bcpa.net. ☺



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WRITER PETE STEVENSON



I am a Northeasterner by way of Philly, DC and New York. As far as I was concerned, that was the center of the universe, so I never thought about living in Florida whatsoever. However, then Wayne (Huizenga) approached me about coming to AutoNation, I have to say my first reaction was if it weren't in Florida I'd probably do it. However, Wayne is very persuasive, so I said yes. I said yes because it was a chance to work with Wayne," explains Mike Jackson. He went on, "So then I get here and after a year or so I realize I don't want to live anywhere else in the world. Fort Lauderdale is absolutely stupendous; I think I made the right choice in coming to Fort Lauderdale."

What roads led Mike Jackson, one of America's most successful and longest-tenured CEO's, to end up here – in Fort Lauderdale? "My father sat me down one day and said 'work will define you, if you want choices in work and life, you need an education.' Since I came from a large Irish Catholic family with a lot of brothers and sisters, I had to get a job and start saving for school – I was ten years old at the time. So the very next week I got a job as a stable boy. You cannot get much lower than a stable boy," continued Jackson. However, Jackson's point was that this was a valuable lesson to learn at such a formative age. He recalled, "You could stand in that horse stall and say 'woe is me' and take all day to clean one stall, at a dollar a stall, or you could get on with it and shovel the sh*t, and clean ten stalls before noon. Well, that is a valuable lesson at that age on how the world works. I have been working ever since and haven't stopped." Mike Jackson's hard work paid off and paved the way for him to attend Saint Joseph's University, the prestigious Jesuit school in Philadelphia. Here he studied international relations and politics. "I was going to be a lawyer or work for State Department, something like that," offers Jackson.

We now have some insight into his strong work ethic, but how did Jackson's path turn to automobiles? "My father was a mechanical engineer, and I grew up holding a flashlight for him, I think I was three when I started fixing stuff with my father. So I always knew how to

fix things, but I got into the car business really out of necessity. I had just moved to DC to go to Georgetown Law School, and I had an old Mercedes that broke down. I did not have the money to get it fixed. So I got a job as an apprentice mechanic to fix my car. I fell in love with the business. But that was typical for me; I did so many different jobs. I think a lot of young people miss out on that growing up. We learn a lot from a diverse career path," expressed Jackson.

In looking at Jackson's diverse career the single characteristic that has made him the most successful in his career – perseverance. "I never give up. Also, I'm a good judge of people and talent. So if I had to narrow down my success, it would be perseverance while surrounding myself with very talented people," acknowledged Jackson. He has persevered in all stages of his career. "I have always viewed life as a series of chapters, and I treasure all my different chapters. I treasure the chapter of being an independent entrepreneur in partnership with Europeans running my own retail company. I've treasured becoming President and CEO of Mercedes-Benz USA and leading a turnaround while there. The chapter working with Wayne Huizenga was priceless, and I wouldn't trade it for anything. Now, of course, I have been the CEO of a publically traded company for 18 years. Whereas the average tenure, for a CEO of a Fortune 150 company is three to five years and I am coming up on 20 years. That is a career highpoint," said Jackson.



Maybe even more significant than all of Mike Jackson's business and economic success has been his humanitarian efforts. "No doubt the pinnacle of all philanthropic efforts I've been involved with is

AutoNation

AutoNation's Drive Pink campaign.

However, what is truly inspiring is how every associate at AutoNation has fully embraced our efforts to find a cure for cancer. In fact, it is so fully embedded in the company's culture; you could fly to the middle of Texas and go into one of our dealerships and ask an associate 'What do you do?' and they will tell you first 'We are working to find a cure for cancer, and we also sell and fix cars.' So there's a purpose to the company greater than the commercial enterprise aspect," declared Jackson.

More individuals and organizations should follow the model of Mike Jackson and AutoNation. In addition to the national cancer efforts, a campaign that has expanded to support research and funding for all forms of cancer, AutoNation is a prodigious local guardian of culture and the arts. AutoNation has been ongoing supporters of the NSU Art Museum, the Broward Center for the Performing Arts and the Museum of Discovery and Sciences, just to name a few. "We are in a leadership position, and that is a headquarter responsibility to support Greater Fort Lauderdale," acknowledged Jackson.

Why is Greater Fort Lauderdale becoming more of an economic powerhouse, and drawing more companies, like AutoNation, a diverse workforce, and low unemployment? According to Jackson, much of the credit can be attributed to a few influential



Another reason for the success of the Drive Pink campaign is because they listened to what worked best in each of their local markets. It was not a top-down management implementation. Each market was able to pitch to headquarters how Drive Pink would work best in their markets. AutoNation became a successful seller of automobiles by understanding their markets, so they followed the same successful formula when undertaking the Drive Pink campaign. Bringing smart business practices and expertise to non-profit and charitable causes should be a natural fit for most companies, yet most fail, throwing a few dollars or only bringing lip-service to a charitable cause. But what Mike Jackson and AutoNation bring to Drive Pink is passion and zeal that is now embedded into the organization's DNA.

business leaders. "There are certain business icons that brought it here. Certainly, Wayne is the biggest along with individuals like Terry Stiles," said Jackson. Mike Jackson is definitely included as one of these Fort Lauderdale icons. An individual who learned early the value of hard work and economics. He has applied those principles throughout his career, which is one of the reasons he was recently appointed as the chairman of Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta. As chairman he will direct the bank's board, which recommends changes in the discount rate and helps form U.S. monetary policy through economic information. Thus, there is no one more capable of keeping a portion of our economy stable than this former stable boy

REAL WORLD DEVELOPMENT OF VIRTUAL REALITY

FAT VILLAGE INCUBATOR SERIES BRINGS ART AND TECH TOGETHER

WRITER JASON LEIDY

What is Reality? Coordinator for Digital Initiatives for Broward County Libraries, Bob Anstett opens with this question at a recent Fat Village workshop. He offered an introduction to the growing variety of services and equipment available free to the public at the Creation Station Lab on the 1st floor of the Main Library. In this gadget lab, library cardholders can access cutting-edge Augmented (AR) and Virtual Reality (VR) tools.

Putting the philosophical discussion aside, it is worth taking stock of the way technology is changing the way we work and consume media. Bob describes a gamut of computer-based technology that is used to experience these realities. For those who have seen the “filters” in Instagram Stories or Snapchat that morph your face into a range of shapes or add virtual ears, you have experienced a version of mixed or mediated reality. Many enthusiasts already use smartphones for AR and VR experiences via apps and add-ons from the \$20 Google Cardboard to enhanced mobile devices which can make for a more convincing experience. Still, these phone-based solutions are entry-level and solely meant to engage users in games and curated experiences.

At the most technologically advanced and demanding end of the spectrum, we find Virtual and Augmented reality. Virtual reality is described as a three dimensional, computer-generated environment which can be explored and interacted with by a person, usually while wearing goggles or a headset. VR can be a fully immersive experience with the addition of sounds and even physical feedback when wearing vests and gloves. Facebook’s Oculus Rift was the first widely released VR headset in March of 2016, followed shortly after that by the HTC Vive. Both of these headsets require powerful computers to run the specialized software and at present are tethered via cables.

Bob describes Augmented Reality as a fully locational overlay on reality. Think Google Glass or Jet Fighter



Samuel Lopez De Victoria demonstrating the Oculus Medium 3D VR modeling environment while wearing the Oculus Rift Headset and touch controllers at the Art & Tech Incubator Workshop.

Heads Up Displays, where your view of the natural world is enhanced by computer-generated images and data, projected on to a transparent surface in your field of view. Imagine exploring a new city with data projected into view about points of interest as part of the discovery process. Creation Station Lab visitors can experience this enhanced form of reality via Microsoft’s leading edge HoloLens device today. The HoloLens Development Edition, as its name implies, is not considered a consumer device. It starts at \$3,000 for individuals and is intended exclusively for skilled developers. Bob is also eagerly anticipating the release of the Magic Leap One early this year. Like the HoloLens, the device is intended for developers and contains the computing power and sensors in the device, as opposed to a PC. This Broward County-based business is valued at four billion dollars, a number which may convey some sense of the imagined possibilities for the technology.

However, who designs these computer-generated experiences and how do they go about it? Workshop presenter Leo Castaneda is an artist whose works include traditional media drawings and paintings, virtual reality video games, sculptural installations and interactive performances. Leo offered insights into his processes




A scene from the game by Leo Castaneda titled, "Levels and Bosses" which can be played in an immersive VR environment on a screen such as a smartphone or a PC.

used to develop a VR Video Game he is calling Levels and Bosses. To develop the visual language of his imaginary world, Leo began sketching and painting five years ago. His next step was to create a narrative using graphic novel frameworks before even beginning to bring this together in a digital world. Leo likens software tools to traditional media and experiences. He describes using Mudbox as sculpting clay to flesh out characters. Mudbox is an Autodesk tool used in digital sculpting and painting to create three-dimensional geometry and textures. These forms have no joints or skeletons, just a sense of mass. The next step is to bring these forms to the digital woodshop, an animation tool called Maya. This tool is used to layer the laws of physics onto the elements built in Mudbox, moreover, to construct dimensional environments for the characters to inhabit. To bring all this to life, Leo brought his figures and landscapes into the digital gallery space; a gaming "engine" called Unreal Engine. This software is what allows Leo's vision to interact with others. Game engines provide a suite of tools which render graphics, sound, artificial intelligence, networking, and all the functionality needed to create a digital world with characters. Sometime next year, Leo plans to release "Levels and Bosses" via the online gaming storefront known as Steam. It is this global platform that first garnered Leo's interest and which has led him to explore the artistic possibilities of this emerging digital world.

Workshop presenter Samuel Lopez De Victoria, with an MFA in Art & Technology, is an interactive and digital artist with Mad Studios in Fort Lauderdale. Lopez De Vitoria offered a demonstration of using a VR environment to sketch 3D objects. Once he adorned the Oculus Rift Headset and Oculus Touch Controllers, he effortlessly created a dog in 3D. For sculptors, who are accustomed to molding materials in the real world, this would seem to be an intuitive method and next step for

experimentation and development of digital objects, as opposed to the more technical approach described by Leo.

This workshop was one in a series held in the FATVillage Projects Far Gallery space and is funded in part by the Florida Department of State, Division of Cultural Affairs, the Florida Council of Arts and Culture and the State of Florida. The series intends to introduce the Fort

Lauderdale creative community to these emerging tools and cultivate a greater understanding of their capabilities. March 9th Jen Clay and Samuel Lopez De Victoria will provide the next workshop on Projection Mapping, followed by the April 14th workshop on Makerspaces & Electronics using Raspberry Pi and Arduino. The series culminates in a gallery reception of works by the panelists and presenters during the May 26th Artwalk. 



Objects produced at the Creation Station Lab, where over 300 3D print jobs are run every month along with workshops on virtual and augmented reality, 3D design, and robotics.

ACTUAL EXPERIENCE IN THE REAL AND VIRTUAL WORLDS

APP-TITUDE PROGRAM GIVES STUDENTS EXPOSURE TO THE CODING SCIENCES

WRITER TIMOTHY BECKER

In November of 2014 The Museum of Discovery and Science launched a new internship called the APP-titude program for high school juniors and seniors to expose them to the sciences and to imbue them with software development skills leading into app development. The internship consists of a two-year program offering an “immersive experience,” said by Joe Cytacki the Museum’s Vice President of Programs, Life Sciences, and Exhibits. He called it a “living lab to facilitate skills.” The program itself offers 35 students community service hours, a stipend toward college as well as college credits gained through a partnership with the College of Engineering at Florida Atlantic University. Cytacki stated that the program has also lent itself to the “unintended consequences” of creating lifelong friends within the program some of whom have gone onto being college roommates.

As part of the program, students are developing apps working with software and coding for AR (augmented reality), VR (virtual reality) and overall job skills like deadlines and timetables and overall teamwork. Joe Cytacki claimed that the “future of the APP-titude program is in virtual reality,” and that the Museum of Discovery and Science is “the only museum with apps built by students.” The museum is integrating the apps developed by the students into its overall experience. Cytacki talked about how the exhibits in the museums are starting to become accompanied with apps that can offer more information such as AR systems that can play along

with the exhibits enhancing the museum experience.

The second focus of the program is exposure to STEM (science, technology, engineering, and math) education in a more hands-on way than what is offered in most high schools that hopefully fosters into a stronger appreciation of the fields and majors involved. The students have access to many labs within the museum as well as a 3D printer available for use to the students.

The program is split into two parts, the first year and the second year. In the first year, the students are introduced to the program guided along by guest speakers in the fields of science as well as museum personnel and even students that have already been a part of the program and are trained throughout including but not limited to a three week course in coding. The second year of the program offers a more focused teaching role to the students. New students coming into the program are trained by the students from the previous year as well as those second-year students being active on the floor of the museum itself and still enjoying all of the learning the program itself lends to them.

As part of the program, students are enrolled in the three-week dual-enrollment program at Florida Atlantic University’s College of Engineering and Computer Science in which they can earn three credit hours for a passing grade. This being a quick peek into what college life will be like for these college-bound students and a quick headstart with the three credit hours involved.




PHOTOS PROVIDED BY THE MUSEUM OF DISCOVERY AND SCIENCE



This also gives the students exposure to a college campus that has become known for its engineering department and just how professors act in class.

The APP-titude program is being funded by United Way Broward, a non-for profit organization with the hopes of cradling a love of sciences in these students. Kathleen Cannon, President, and CEO of United Way of Broward County said, "United Way of Broward County is proud to partner with the Museum of Discovery and Science on this innovative internship program. APP-titude will provide a life-changing educational and motivational experience for these amazing students. Everyone involved will benefit from this program – the interns will acquire invaluable experience, and museum visitors will be able to utilize the new technology that has been created." Robin

Molan, the Director of Community Impact Educational Initiatives at United Way Broward had this to say about the program, "the APP-titude program gives children across the county from different schools the opportunity to follow their passion of technology while building friendships." With their funding United Way of Broward hopes to bring about a newfound love for science within the Broward community.

The APP-titude program is in its third year and continues to grow along with the students it is fostering. The APP-titude program has new apps releasing regularly with the most recent one coming on February 17th. Most of their apps will be integrated into the museum as a way to test them and to improve the museum-goers experience. 



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WHAT'S COMING TO THE 23RD ANNUAL LAS OLAS WINE AND FOOD FESTIVAL?

SOUTH FLORIDA'S FINEST EATERIES AND INTERNATIONAL WINERIES HIT ICONIC LAS OLAS BOULEVARD ON FRIDAY, APRIL 20TH

WRITER RACHEL CREVLING

As spring nears, we can't help but get excited about one of our favorite events of the year: the Las Olas Wine and Food Festival! Happening Friday, April 20, 2018, from 7:30 - 10:30 PM, this iconic event welcomes epicureans into a wonderland of culinary delight. Did you know that 100% of the proceeds benefit our local chapter of the American Lung Association? Your ticket purchase is a donation!

2018 marks the 23rd year of the Las Olas Wine and Food Festival (#LOWFF) which will see some exciting new elements brought to life at this year's event. New committee chairs Katie Leibick, Director of Event Management at Breakthru Beverage, and Carrie Caldwell, Director of Events at The Restaurant People, promise this year's festival will be one for the books as they infuse the planning process with experience and passion. With blocks and blocks of all-inclusive food and drink, those who have enjoyed this event in the past know this is a must-attend event.

However, what past guests don't yet know is how the 2018 festival will raise the bar! Look forward to things like:

- Incredible VIP experiences (silent disco, anyone?),
- Brand new cocktail partners serving top-shelf complimentary refreshments,
- Elevated winery experiences throughout the festival,
- High-energy, crowd-pleasing live chef competitions,
- Two registration locations for easy entry and fast access to tasting pavilions,
- ...and much more.

Presented by Cooper's Craft, New Amsterdam Vodka, Fleur de Mer, J Vineyards and Breakthru Beverage, #LOWFF will entertain thousands of foodies. There will be 50+ selected restaurants, over 30 wineries showcasing 200+ wines, the 3rd Annual Best of the Best Chef Competition, live music, DJ's, dancing, and incredible interactive experiences fit for our VIP guests to enjoy.

Speaking of VIP, that is the only way to experience the festival, and ALL ticket holders enjoy VIP access! With the flash of LOWFF's signature wine-holder-necklace credential, guests gain access to the VIP Lounges located



throughout the event, as well as all decadent tasting pavilions built along on each Las Olas block.

This year, guests will enjoy a "taste" of Greater Fort Lauderdale's many beautiful communities. These "Neighborhood Pavilions" will be specifically designed to transport you to that unique location as you wine and dine the night away.

Hosted by Las Olas Association, Las Olas Company, Mercantil Bank, Celebrity Cruises, and Cadillac, the 23rd Annual Las Olas Wine and Food Festival hopes guests arrive ready to sip, sample, mix and mingle throughout our 5 blocks of fun! Feel good knowing your purchase benefits the American Lung Association's (ALA) mission to fight against the third leading cause of death in the United States. Support of this event will assist in funding research and educational programming for the ALA.

Important Details:

Date: Friday, April 20, 2018

Location: Las Olas Boulevard between S.E. 6th Avenue and S.E. 11th Avenue

Tickets: \$150; 100% all-inclusive - www.lasolaswff.com

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Don't wait until April 20th to sip on a "Sweet Winter Heat" signature cocktail by Cooper's Craft coming to #LOWFF. Use this recipe to make one at home!

SWEET WINTER HEAT

2 parts Coopers' Craft
1/4 part Ancho Reyes
1/2 part Maple Syrup
2 dashes Angostura Bitters
Garnish with Orange slice and Dark Cherry

Stir all ingredients together in an ice-filled mixing glass.
Strain over fresh ice-filled rocks glass and garnish with expressed orange peel.

Put a little twist on your Vodka Cocktail with New Amsterdam.
They will be serving up "Ruby Salted Dog" at the festival, and now you can mix this delicious cocktail up yourself!

RUBY SALTED DOG

1 1/2 oz. New Amsterdam Vodka
4 oz. Ruby Red Grapefruit Juice
Squeeze of a Lime wedge

Stir all ingredients together in an ice-filled glass.
Garnish with lime wedge.



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GOIN' GREEN

IRISH EYES ARE SMILIN' ON THE DINNER TABLE

WRITERS PENNY SANFILIPPO AND JONNY ALTOBELL – THE UGLY SISTERS

Bangers are sausages – and no one does them better in South Florida than Murvest Foods. Husband and wife team, John and Sylvia Murphy, have been supplying area businesses with wholesale, locally produced meat products since 1990 when they moved here. John holds a degree in Meat Technology and after graduation moved to New Zealand then Australia, and specialized in making pâté. He was *sure* America would have a market for it. Well.... not so much in those days, so he and Sylvia turned to making great sausages and now count little companies like Carnival and Holland America amongst their customers. If you have eaten at local pubs - The Field, Falcon Pub, Waxy O'Connors or Stouts and more in both Broward and Palm Beach County, you have probably had food made by Murvest. Sage restaurant features John's first love, pate, and The Old Heidelberg uses Murvest German sausages in their restaurant. The term "bangers" by the way, comes from the sound the links make when cooking.

Ireland and the potato

In last month's edition, we talked about foods from the Americas that changed the diet of the world. A New World introduction found a home in Ireland, and this nearly complete food was consumed by the poor there who ate up to five pounds per day/ per person, prior to the potato famine. Colcannon, like the "Mash" in Bangers and Mash, is potatoes boiled then mashed with a knob of butter added - but Colcannon has sautéed cabbage added to the spuds.

Irish Bacon (also called green or back bacon) is not the crisp smoky strips we Americans know; rather it is a salty- savory lean mouthful of perfectly brined pork loin, and the bacon produced by Murvest makes our taste buds sing Irish songs. Once fried it is



Murvest Foods preparing bangers

perfect for breakfast, or on a grilled Cheddar Cheese sandwich or in strips with perfectly cooked cabbage.

Shepherd's Pie is traditionally made with lamb in Ireland – but in today's quirky food world it can be almost any stew-like filling topped with – you guessed it – mashed potatoes.



It has been suggested that everyone is Irish on St. Patrick's Day, and on March 17th we tip our hats to the Irish in a holiday that is mostly, well, American in origin. Check our webpage for recipes and more information.

Guinness Stout was first produced in Dublin (1840's) and gets its remarkable color and rich flavor from both malted and roasted unmalted barley. "Stout" originally referred to the strength of the brew (a porter), but the term is now more associated with body and color.

Corned Beef (Brisket) was "Poor man's food" when our immigrant relatives arrived in America and is Kosher, not Celtic. This introduction to Irish newcomers was wholeheartedly accepted and when combined with cabbage and potatoes was a hearty meal, and it still is - it is just not from Ireland. However, if we Americans can celebrate a minor Saint (Patrick) with his own holiday, we might as well have our own menu too.

CELTIC QUIZ

Multiple choice (P.S. Any questions answered incorrectly don't matter — be an immigrant and enjoy the day)

Which of the following are traditional Irish foods?:

- A) Corned Beef
- B) Bangers and Mash
- C) Potatoes
- D) Cabbage and bacon
- E) Shepherd's pie
- F) Guinness



An Irish meal

Quiz- If you indicated anything but "A" you are correct.



PEEK INTO FORT LAUDERDALE'S NEWEST COCKTAIL BAR

MILK MONEY – THE ADULT PLACE TO SPEND CHANGE

WRITER RENÉE K QUINN

In alliance with the neighboring Warsaw Coffee Company, the newest addition to Fort Lauderdale's social scene, Milk Money, creates a modern, spirited experience. Rustic sophistication abounds with amber lights, plush seating and a vibrant bar. The focal point of Milk Money is centered around its artfully created cocktails and fresh bar bites. They dish up an array of options ranging from healthy to decadent.

"When we created our food, we wanted to make sure it had a balanced taste," said Wong. "We wanted to appeal to the people in this community. We asked them what they grew up loving, and we picked food that's a reflection of people in the community".


Milk Money's lineup of delicious cocktails will dazzle your senses. Sip the Sailor to Pirate, an alluring rum

old fashioned that transforms into a piña colada served with torched cinnamon sticks.

Scott Ojeda, one of Milk Money's three owners, along with Blaise McMackin and Kimberly Wong, says that the plan was to stand out unapologetically while still feeling like a place that people can happily call home. "The original vision was always to be a neighborhood cocktail lounge," said Ojeda. "It evolved



Milk Money specialty cocktail

into a cozy place where everyone feels welcomed. We want people from all walks of life to come and feel like they are on an adventure with us." 

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GENERAL EVENTS

Clubhouse 100 Year Birthday

Mar. 1
 Fort Lauderdale Women's Club
 (954) 761-9407
www.fortlauderdalewomensclub.com



5th Annual Oz Jubilee - "Somewhere Over The Rainbow"

Mar. 2
 Join us for an evening of dinner, dancing, mingling, and a silent auction.
 Bahia Mar
 (954) 763-1288
www.achildsdismissal.org

Walk for the Animals

Mar. 3
 Annual fundraising event for the Humane Society of Broward County
 Huizenga Plaza
 (954) 266-6817
www.walk4theanimals.com

Stayin' Alive:

One Night of the Bee Gees

Mar. 3
 The performance captures a full history of the Bee Gees music
 Parker Playhouse
 Musicworks, Inc. & MRC Productions
 (954) 462-0222
www.browardcenter.org

Broward County Waterway Cleanup

Mar. 3
 Cleaning up 38 sites across Broward County
 Throughout Broward County
 Marine Association of South Florida
 (954) 524-2733
www.miasf.org

Striking Matches w/Phillip Phillips

Mar. 3
 Nine of their songs were performed in the first four seasons of the hit television show "Nashville."
 Revolution Live
 (954) 449-1025
www.jointherevolution.net



Harlequinade and Sleeping Beauty

Mar. 3-4
 Celebration of the 200 anniversary of ballet choreographer Marius Petipa
 Broward Center for the Performing Arts
 Arts Ballet Theatre of Florida
 (954) 462-0222
www.browardcenter.org

30th Annual Las Olas Art Fair Part II

Mar. 3-4
 Las Olas Blvd.
 Howard Allen Events
 (561) 746-6615
www.artfestival.com/festivals/las-olas-art-fair-part-ii

18th Annual Tribute honoring Mike Jackson

Mar. 8
 Riverwalk is pleased to announce that our Eighteenth Annual Tribute will be honoring Mike Jackson, the Chairman, CEO and President of AutoNation.
 Riverside Hotel
 (954) 468-1541
www.goriverwalk.com/greater-fort-lauderdale-events/18th-annual-tribute-honoring-mike-jackson



Book with Brunch

Mar. 8
 Author and personal coach, Laurie A. Watkins will discuss her book, "Go From Stressed to Strong: Health and Fitness Advice from High Achievers."
 ArtServe
 Broward Public Library Foundation
 (954) 357-7382
www.bplfoundation.org/book-with-brunch-03-2018

Comedian Jim Breuer

Mar. 10
 The freewheeling, comic storyteller - who made the list of Comedy Central's "100 Greatest Standups of All Time"
 Seminole Casino Coconut Creek
 (954) 977-6700
www.CasinoCoco.com

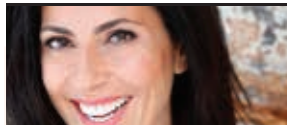


51st Annual Scholarship Luncheon and Fashion Show

Mar. 10
 Fashions will be presented by Lilac and Lilies Boutique, Kendra Scott, and Francesca's. Proceeds benefit the Community Foundation
 Presented by Fort Lauderdale Alumnae Panhellenic
 Fort Lauderdale Country Club
 (954) 966-9673
www.facebook.com/events/511473295680773

6th Annual Harbor Lights Gala

Mar. 10
 The annual fundraiser helps ensure that siblings in foster care can stay together in a loving and nurturing home.
 W Fort Lauderdale
 Children's Harbor
 (954) 252-3072
www.childrensharbor.org/event-calendar



Live from South Florida...It's Saturday Night

Mar. 10
 Featuring comedian Kira Soltanovich and musical guest, Keba.
 Pier 66
 Gilda's Club
 (954) 763-6776
www.gildasclubssouthflorida.org

Broward Performing Arts Foundation Annual Celebration

Mar. 10
 Celebrate the Broward Center for the Performing Arts with an evening of comedy and song.
 Broward Center for the Performing Arts
 (954) 468-3284
www.browardcenter.org

Dancing for God

Mar. 10
 The program features 5 beautiful jogni ritual dances in full colorful Indian costume.
 Broward County Main Library
 The Association of Performing Arts of India (APAI)
 (954) 885-1466
www.apaiart.com

Author Presentation & Scholarship Fundraiser Luncheon

Mar. 10
 Lighthouse Point Yacht Club
 American Association of University Women
 (954) 570-5423



Symphony of the Americas Music on Pointe

Mar. 13
 Jared Matthews and Yuriko Kajiya, Principal dancers of the Houston Ballet, join the Symphony
 Broward Center for the Performing Arts
 (954) 335-7002
www.sota.com

Funding Arts Broward Spring Luncheon

Mar. 13
 With special guest presenter Brett Karlin, Artistic Director and Conductor of Master Chorale of South Florida.
 Broward Center for the Performing Arts
 Funding Arts Broward
 (954) 353-7673
www.fundingartsbroward.org

Loston Harris Trio

Mar. 14
 Loston Harris Plays the Great American Songbook
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Mar. 23
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Mar. 27

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Concert
Apr. 6-7

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Apr. 11
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Apr. 12

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Mar. 23
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Apr. 12
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Tuesdays
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ROSARIA VIGORITO

TITLE OF WORK: *SELF EROSION*


Several factors may draw an audience's attention towards a particular artist. It may be their unique style, their captivating origin story, or perhaps an overlapping of the two. With one visit to Rosaria Vigorito's website, you will realize that not only is her art different than anything you have seen previously, but her story is just as compelling. Just like many of us, Rosaria had childhood dreams of becoming an artist; but as years passed, and high school came and went, she was set on a new dream, law school. She ended up working as a lawyer in entertainment law and recognized several years into her career that she was not fulfilled.

In an attempt to find something that she was passionate about, she gave up practicing law completely. She recalls an encounter that would change the direction of her life, "I met someone who is an earth sculptor, photographer, and interior designer, and this woman talking about her pieces, whenever she would talk about her art, her earth sculptures, she got very excited, and it was contagious to me." After meeting this woman she signed up for a sculpture class, and although she was initially out of her element, she stuck to it. This allowed her to open herself up to drawing, painting, photography, and ultimately lead to her receiving a Master of Fine Art from the New York Academy of Arts.

There were many challenges she faced while she was establishing herself as an artist. She went back to school to receive a librarian degree in order to keep herself afloat financially, she battled ovarian cancer, and in

2006 her mother passed away. Rosaria had lived in New York all her life, but with the passing of her mother, she chose to move to Florida to dedicate all her time to her craft. Without hesitation, we can draw a parallel between Rosaria's experiences shaping who she is as a person, to various mediums and ideologies shaping who she is as an artist. Using a digital platform to create, gives the artist the freedom to produce a piece by combining paintings, drawings, and sculptures, while at the same time using it as a tool to study perspective works. When discussing one of her favorite pieces "Goddess," she talks about her process. "In this piece, you will see little drawings-those are the drawings that I have photographed and combined- I included reoccurring patterns from photographic images that I have taken, then I manipulate color, use different effects until I like what I have," she says. She describes her art using two words, eclectic and personal.

Many different techniques and styles can be distinguished in her pieces, but she always makes sure that it stems from experiences and values unique to her. She is a strong believer that to be legitimately satisfied as an artist it has to be meaningful. "Art is not about pretty pictures, it's not about what matches your sofa- not that that's not ok- but art should also be on the edge, push the bar, not for the sake of getting attention, but that is also one of the functions of art, to challenge our perception, to challenge our notions, to be sometimes political, to be emotional, to be provocative," she says.

To learn more about Rosaria Vigorito, and to learn where you can see her digital art, go to www.rosariavigorito.com. 



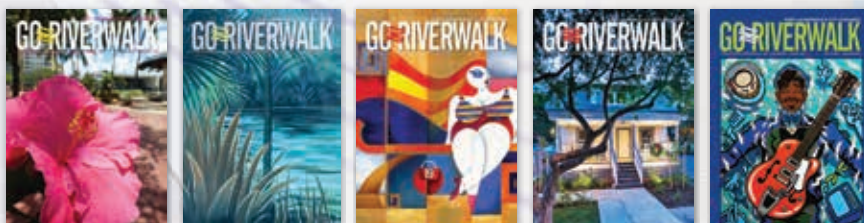


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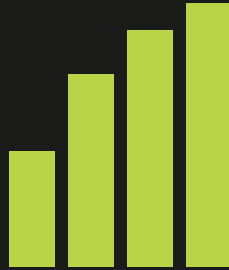


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