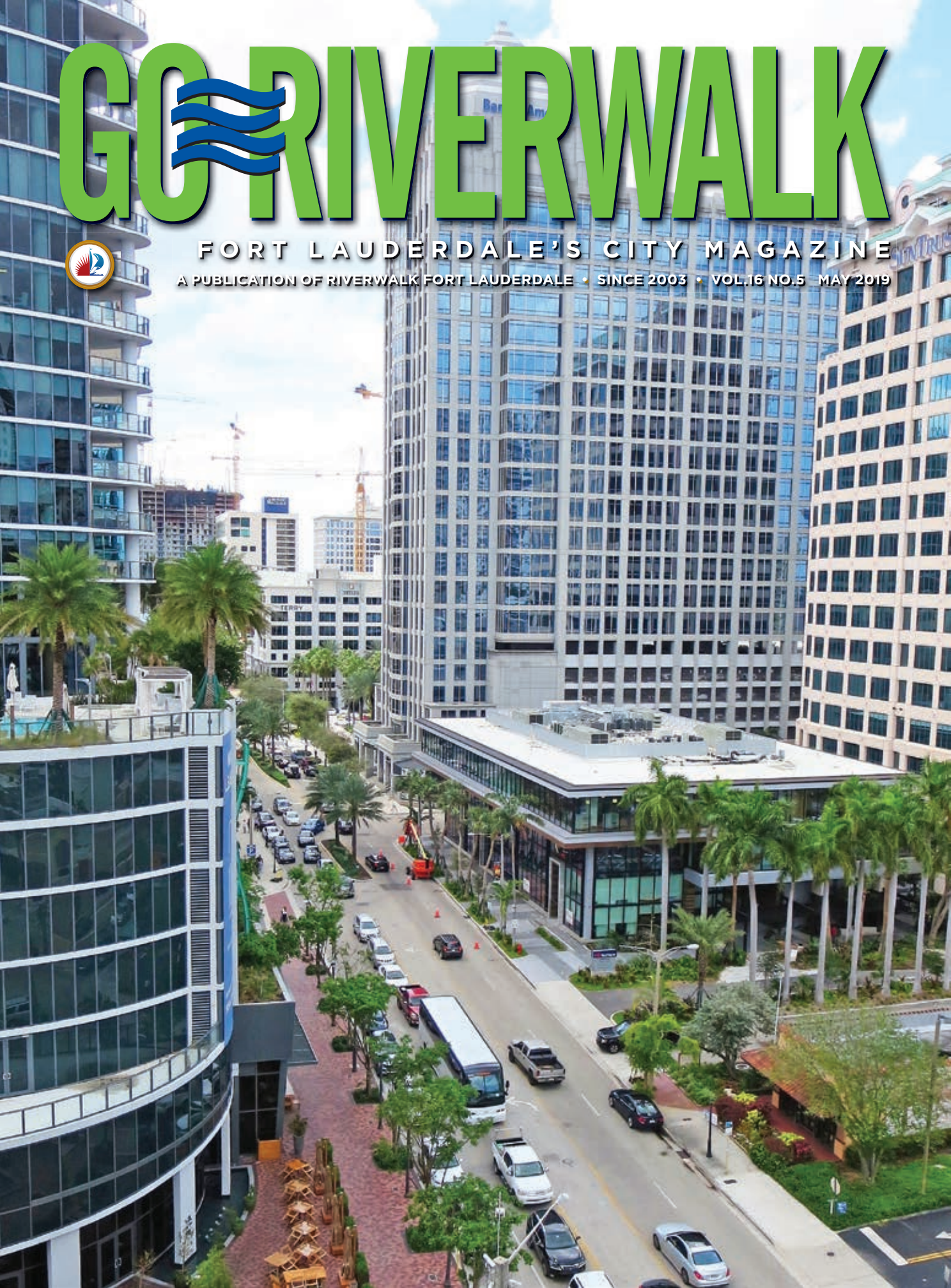


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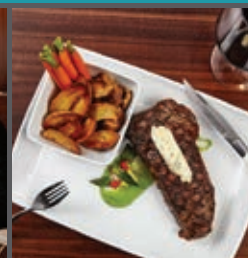


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THE BEACH BEAT



DAY IS THE NEW NIGHT



With sunset creeping into the evening hours, day is becoming the new night, as evidenced by the opening of the new **Rock Bar Day Club**. Having gone under a full renovation, the space provides a sophisticated setting where rhythmic house music fills the air, and locals and visitors can chill out on the weekend in plush daybeds, private cabanas, poolside or the bar. **220 Almond Avenue.**

STRIKE A POSE



Yoga studios can sometimes feel intimidating, but there is just something about doing sun salutations under the actual sun that feels like a judgment-free zone. Hosting weekly classes Wednesday through Sunday, **Beach Yoga by Donation** is the perfect drop-in beach class for locals or the traveling yogi's, and open to all fitness levels. **Lifeguard Stand #13**

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ON THE HORIZON: MAY

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- 4** Sip & Shoppe **Breakers Avenue**
- 4** Air Show Watch Party **Atlantic Hotel**
- 4** Air Show Rooftop Party **McSorley's Beach Pub**
- 4-5** Fort Lauderdale Air Show **Fort Lauderdale Beach**
- 11** Fort Lauderdale Beach Sweep **Las Olas & A1A**
- 11** BC Bazaar **Burlock Coast**
- 12** **MOTHER'S DAY**
- 18** March 4 Cancer **DC Alexander Park**
- 25** Great American Beach Party **Fort Lauderdale Beach**
- 27** **MEMORIAL DAY**
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CHAMPAGNE - \$919,000

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OCEAN & CITY VIEWS FROM THIS 2 BEDROOM 2 BATH UNIT. SPLIT FLOOR PLAN, 11 FOOT CEILINGS, GOURMET KITCHEN, S/S APPLIANCES & MORE.

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SEAVIEW

30TH FLOOR SPECTACULAR RESIDENCE
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RIVERSIDE - \$699,000

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The large number of residential dwellings in construction creates personal needs for that expanding population. Essentials include things like grocery options, laundry, drugstores, retail offerings

and of course, places to dine and meet friends. Needs of this kind also create new jobs and businesses. Residents in this core downtown require more and better public transportation.

Hence, one could conclude that density spawns new businesses and economic growth.

Technology and startup companies recognize that city dwellers like convenience, so they are looking to headquarter in the core downtown to offer a walkable commute. Colleges are expanding their offerings to support the new workforce needs and technology explosion.

In comes hospitality and tourism that again raise additional new businesses and services which become a job stimulus as well as create the need for affordable housing and quality of life services for those that work in those disciplines.

We find that art and entertainment options are in great demand and our city has certainly stepped up to meet the challenge. The Museum of Discovery and Science has evolved and now hosts many new and diverse events. The Museum of Art continues to raise the bar with exquisite and challenging art offerings. Our local art walks feature talented locals and are now providing art in public places to showcase the diversity of our community. Our local history options continue to bring more and greater education about our past and the respect with which we should remember it.

Coordination with our sister cities has brought new and innovative approaches to learning, sharing and creating a symbiotic relationship that enriches our communities.

Park and public spaces have become more and more valuable as the downtown population grows and they again play a major part in our economic engine. Events, festivals and other public happenings to create a variety of options for residents and visitors daily.


You can take any form of measure you like but with more people comes the need for affordable housing, reliable transportation, jobs that are economic engines and quality of life requirements. I believe that we measure up and continue to find new and innovative ways to weave the fabric of our city. We are watching a City on the Rise. 



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BY GENIA DUNCAN ELLIS
President/CEO
Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale



DIVERSITY EQUALS SUSTAINABILITY

EVERY CITY NEEDS AN ASSORTMENT OF SERVICES, LIVING SPACES, JOBS, ART AND EDUCATION

As a long-time resident of the City, I have had the pleasure to watch measured and planned growth, which followed the master plans laid out for building a great city.

Our skyline is unique, and we are enjoying the diversity of architecture that is being exhibited today. Building design not only on the exterior but the interior tends to draw great discussion. Residents select locations based on how their needs are best met, all with space, view and financial viability. Additionally, selection often occurs with proximity to work, attractions and needed services.

This growth has spurred an increase in the number of jobs, the leasing and acquisition of office/work space and surrounding services to encourage businesses to locate in the downtown.

With the Courthouse, Broward County Government, Fort Lauderdale City Government and the businesses that interact with these groups, we are seeing Class A office space rentals climb with technology and unique services expanding.

Ancillary services that support local businesses, residents, hotels and retail establishments create other needs and growth items such as solid public

transportation, affordable housing and a livable wage.

Economic advisers tell us that sustainable solutions are the appropriate way to build and grow a community ... in other words, not too many of any one thing. Diversity in products, planning, services and entertainment create an interested and invested public. A variety of jobs, educational options, transportation and walkability appeal to nearly all.

With the influx of residential units, new hotels, Class A office space, and great options in dining/shopping and entertainment, we will soon see a more vibrant and engaged community. It is clear that we are not just a vacation spot but a thriving and growing city. Accolades continue to be provided that let others know that this is the place to be. Check out the City website to read a few of them: www.fortlauderdale.gov/government/awards-and-recognition.

With great stewardship, our city continues to move forward, seeking unique approaches to making this a sustainable community that fits the needs of all. With miles of waterways, Fort Lauderdale is known as the Venice of America, and the marine industry continues to grow offering jobs, training and technology growth to that very important industry.


Tourism abounds in a city like ours. Economics, business and forward-looking planning will continue to make a great city. Our skyline may change and our methods of getting around may as well, but with a city that offers as much as Fort Lauderdale — a great beach and dynamic downtown — we can't ignore our weather ... now that is truly an economic engine! 



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GFA INTERNATIONAL

➊ Starting from a humbly small northeast Ohio town, I came to Florida with a mission: to do great things and impact people in extraordinary ways. An alumnus of Florida State University, I am still strongly committed to this day as the founder of the Renegades of Reel Estate Fishing Classic, a non-profit I founded and chair to give scholarship dollars and financial resources to the Florida State University Real Estate Center.

I feel that I bring a wide array of experience and leadership to GFA International as the director of community relations. Here I have built key relationships within local municipalities and private real estate development and construction circles, earning the trust of those I work closely with and creating a sense of community wherever I go. Surrounded by an organization that shares similar values and guiding principles has allowed me to flourish and for GFA International to become Florida's leading engineering and testing firm.

Gifted with an ability to connect and relate with people, I find great enjoyment in routinely being part of community endeavors that I feel in return have educated me and helped me to develop my character. Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale has given me a platform to further expand my local knowledge, build key relationships and fully embrace the opportunity to impact many in South Florida.



TRUSTEE MEMBER

BRIAN GALTON

SUNRISE PADDLEBOARDS

➋ From the orange groves of Clermont, Florida, to Richmond, Virginia, and then finally to the waterways of Fort Lauderdale, you can say my life has always been an adventure. Throughout it all, I always knew that my true desire was to live near a tropical beach, which is what made me settle here.

Established in 2010, Sunrise Paddleboards became the No. 1 dealer for the largest manufacturer of paddleboards in the world, and since 2012, proudly reigns up top today. The phenomenon of standup paddleboarding really consumed us and as board sales increased, so did the demand for accessories. This resulted in a few items growing into an entire specially designed SUPSmart Brand sold in our Fort Lauderdale showroom and internationally. We strive to be a one-stop shop for people getting into the sport and for experienced paddle boarders who are trying to get to the next level.

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My entire staff and I consider ourselves ambassadors for our community. We assist thousands of residents and tourists each year and educate them about our unique ecosystem. Riverwalk is another ambassador for our community and we are happy to support their efforts while expanding our reach into the community.

Members of Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale express their support and join us in our mission of building a vibrant community. Riverwalk supports Downtown's diverse, mixed-use community of arts and entertainment establishments along with business, residential, judicial, educational, and marine interests.

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Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale honored the Moss Family for its philanthropic and economic contributions to the city and downtown. Many of South Florida's top business, philanthropic and community leaders gathered on March 21 at the Riverside Hotel for the 19th annual Tribute fundraising event. The evening began with a VIP reception perfect for networking and for guests to bid on several unique items in a silent auction. A ceremony celebrating the Moss Family followed. Funds from this event help support Riverwalk's mission "to be a catalyst in building and nurturing Riverwalk and the Riverwalk District as a vibrant community connected by the New River." 



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On a beautiful cool evening, Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale hosted Burger Battle X —challenging the Best of the Best over the last nine years to bring their finest burger for a special award!

Also, a judging panel of local chefs selected the evening's Best Burger and burger lovers at the event chose the Fan Favorite. With more than 15 competitors, the judges and guests alike had some difficult decisions to make.

A special thanks goes to Breakthru Beverage and Stephens Distributing as well as Tarpon River Brewing and Veza Sur Brewing Company. Additional thanks go to Key West Sweets for the delicious desserts! 



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CITY LAUNCHES AQUATIC CENTER RENOVATION

PROJECT AIMS TO RESTORE FACILITY TO PROMINENCE

I'm excited to announce that the Fort Lauderdale Aquatic Center renovation project is officially underway! The City Commission recently hosted a groundbreaking ceremony to celebrate the launch of this major capital improvement project that will significantly enhance the future of Fort Lauderdale Beach and the entire city.

Many enthusiastic local residents and a throng of patrons from the swimming and diving community attended the kickoff festivities including Hall of Fame and Olympic legends Ron O'Brien, Jesse Vassallo, Caeleb Dressel and Ryan Lochte, all of whom pledged their wholehearted support for the project.

The highly anticipated \$27 million renovation represents a new and exciting chapter in the history of this storied facility and one that is designed to restore its former glory as a place of prominence in the sports of swimming and diving.

Highlights of the project include these state-of-the-art features:

- A 53-meter main competition pool with two stainless bulkheads;
- A 25-meter diving pool and tower with five platform levels and two springboard levels (we are also working hard to include the only 27-meter dive platform outside of China);
- A 50-meter training pool, new spa and instructional pool;
- A modern filtration system and pool deck;
- New grandstand, bleachers, restrooms, concessions and ticket office;
- Upgraded lighting, landscaping, sidewalks and main entry plaza;
- And a complete makeover of the locker rooms.

The planned upgrades and enhancements to the pools and diving well will conform with FINA (International Swimming Federation) standards, which will enable the new Aquatic Center to attract national and international events and recapture its standing as one of the top facilities for swimming, diving, training and competition. Locally, this complex will afford the opportunity for residents to learn to swim, dive and participate in community programming at a world-class facility.

The Fort Lauderdale Aquatic Center has a rich and




colorful history that dates back more than 90 years. In 1928, the massive Casino Pool opened in what is today D.C. Alexander Park. Measuring 50 meters by 20 meters, it was the first Olympic-sized pool in Florida and soon became home to the nation's top athletes, including Katherine Rawls, who captured a record 30 national titles in swimming and diving. Rawls' legendary career helped launch Fort Lauderdale's reputation as the swimming and diving capital of the world.

The current Aquatic Center, which is also home to the International Swimming Hall of Fame (I am so thrilled that ISHOF has decided to remain in Fort Lauderdale; however, I am still waiting to hear if they will accept my offer to donate my Speedo to their collection), was originally built in 1965.

For decades, it stood as the premier training center for college and Olympic swimmers and divers, as well as the home of numerous championship events including the U.S. National Swimming Championships, YMCA National Swimming and Diving Championships, U.S. Masters National Swimming Championships and FINA/U.S. International Diving Invitational. World-renowned athletes that include Pam Kruse, Andy Coan, Mary Meagher, Marty Zubero, Mike Barrowman, Natalie Coughlin, Michael Phelps and others have set ten world records at the facility.

The Aquatic Center renovation represents a significant investment in our City's future. We recognize that the facility is much more than a collection of pools where competitions are won or lost. It is a special place where generations of families, friends, and neighbors have celebrated victories; found hope and opportunity; offered compassion and support; and made lifelong friendships.

We are now embarking on a project that will carry on this tradition for generations to come, and we must never again allow this special public center to deteriorate from neglected maintenance. 

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A CITY ON THE RISE

DOWNTOWN FTL STATE OF THE MARKET

The Fort Lauderdale Downtown Development Authority (DDA) is pleased to present our inaugural State of the Market 2019 report. This publication presents a compilation of the development trends and major projects shaping the city's urban core.


Fort Lauderdale is a city on the rise and the geographic center of a booming Southeast Florida region. A desirable location for investment, commerce, relocation and startups, Fort Lauderdale was ranked No. 17 in the Emerging Trends in Real Estate 2019 report, published by the Urban Land Institute and PwC.

Long planned and anticipated, DowntownFTL is changing before our very eyes. More than 400 hotel rooms are under construction, 500,000 square feet of new Class A office space is on the horizon, and 5,000 new residential units are being built, with thousands more in the works.

Our urban core is surrounded by a world-class beach, an international airport, a cargo and cruise port, interstate roadways, and now, high-speed rail connecting our neighboring cities to the north and south.

Downtown Fort Lauderdale is a walkable, livable city, with iconic public spaces, dynamic cultural and civic institutions, and neighborhoods that create community. We enjoy a relaxed vibe and at the same time, celebrate in a city full of life and excitement.

The DDA is committed to facilitating investment, improving mobility, enhancing the public realm and engaging with our stakeholders. Our vision looks to the future. Our perspective is regional. Our foundation is strong and sets the stage for continued growth.

Downtown Fort Lauderdale is a city on the rise, and the city you never want to leave. 

** The DowntownFTL 2019 State of the Market report was published by the Fort Lauderdale Downtown Development Authority in collaboration with Colliers International South Florida LLC. To view a digital flipbook of the report, visit www.ddaftl.org/annualreport.*



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CRANES AND CONSTRUCTION SYMBOLIZE THE CITY'S MASTER PLAN FOR QUALITY DEVELOPMENT

In my work at the City I get comments all the time about how the development that is going on has a negative impact on the city overall. No doubt that the current volume of construction in and around the city does create some issues that we need to address, but there are many benefits that we can enjoy as a result.

The City strives for quality development through our various master plans and adopted design guidelines that work toward active ground floor uses that provide for interesting and inviting streetscapes that support thriving businesses and help our residents and tourists enjoy our city over and above our amazing beach. As most of us know, the density of the downtown is getting to a state where these new places of business remain viable and prosperous.

Our downtown master plan, adopted in 2004 and amended on 2007, states the following for the downtown core:

Consolidation of intense, incremental development will create a more unified, active Downtown with areas of distinct character and more continuous, active streetscapes. The skyline would peak in a compact core, and gradually scale down into surrounding neighborhoods. High densities can be sustained throughout the RAC, but the most intensive, commercially-oriented, 'central business district'-type developments would be concentrated, with some exceptions, in the core.

As you can see, the City had the vision to make such a statement to have growth that is better managed and intended to result in a downtown that has urban activity with hospitable sidewalks and strong character.

When you have a critical mass of people living in an area the local businesses find it a lot easier to remain relevant, diversify and grow. It's a simple math equation.

Not that long ago our downtown was devoid of activity and pretty much shut down after 5 o'clock once the offices emptied out. Now you can walk from one end of Las Olas to the other right through the downtown core and stop in one of many restaurants, have a drink at a sidewalk café, and pop into a shop to look for Turkish light fixtures (trust me, they're very cool).

Obviously, there are other parts of the City that are seeing more activity as well. If you've been on Southeast Sixth Street lately you'll see some amazing things happening in an area that was previously on a very limited number of people's radar — a jazz club, a brewery and a very interesting coffee house. This area has the potential for much more. It's an easy walk to the New River with more residential units approved in this area, so that synergy is starting to happen south of the river.


The result of all this is not only a vibrant city, but a very successful one. We have a great city that is getting better and better every day. Not everyone will agree with me, and that's OK, because there is more work to be done to continue down the right path. But, I always try to see the glass as half full and in my humble opinion we are generally going in the right direction. 





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For the past seven years, the City of Fort Lauderdale's Transportation and Mobility Department has hosted a transportation summit that facilitates the exchange of ideas about emerging trends with experts from across the country and allows us to share what's new with our community. This premier local transportation event offers residents (and transportation enthusiasts) the chance to join industry experts, elected officials, neighbors and students dedicated to creating safe, livable, connected, sustainable streets for people of all ages and abilities.

The eighth annual Transportation Summit will be held on May 17 at the Broward Center for the Performing Arts from 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. More information can be found on the City's website at www.fortlauderdale.gov/transportationsummit.

The Summit affords an opportunity to delve into many transportation-related topics including a discussion about trends in connected cities, as well as highlights about recently completed local street projects. This year, I invite you to come and join me and my colleagues to learn all things transportation! I also encourage our neighbors to apply for a scholarship to attend, which will be awarded based on availability. (Go to bit.ly/TransportationSummitScholarship)

This year's Summit will focus on **Innovation and Technology** as conduits for improving our transportation network. A variety of transportation influencers from multiple disciplines will host important discussions centered on topics including:


- A discussion on what the recently approved "penny tax" means for the future of our regional transportation network
- Lessons learned on how innovation and technology have helped transportation authorities improve local transit service
- National trends in the use of technology to solve everyday issues with parking and mobility
- Regional trends of how data is being used to help improve the Level of Service for many modes of transportation

As a transplant from Washington, D.C., I moved to Fort Lauderdale after years of being a transportation consultant to help make the City a safe, affordable and accessible place for all. The 2018 Summit was one of the first projects that I was involved in, and it was an incredible way to learn what's happening in terms of transportation in our beautiful city.

This year's Summit will once again feature our annual Transportation Awards for Neighbor Champion, Outstanding Project or Program, and Outstanding Partner of the Year. These awards are designed to recognize our great partners and neighbors who continue to help make the City of Fort Lauderdale a safer and more connected city of tomorrow.

For more information, including how to apply for a Transportation Award or a neighbor scholarship, or to become a sponsor, visit

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I look forward to seeing you at this year's Summit. 





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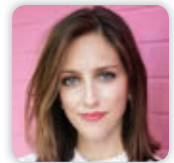
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ARTISTS AS BUSINESS PEOPLE

SUMMER WORKSHOPS TEACH ARTISTS HOW TO NURTURE THEIR ENTERPRISES

How do the arts relate to business and economics? For some, it may not be an obvious correlation at first.

However, in light of this issue's "business and economics" theme, I'd like to point out a few of the Cultural Division's initiatives coming this summer.

The second weekend in May, we're hosting the Florida Association of Public Art Professionals (FAPAP) annual state-wide conference in Fort Lauderdale at the Riverside Hotel. The three-day seminar will cover all things public art-related, including presentations on the role arts have played in reimagining communities and neighborhoods. The conference includes an exclusive tour of Broward County's Port Everglades, an economic driver and canvas for many public art projects. If interested in attending the FAPAP Conference May 8 through 10, visit floridapublicart.org for more information or to register.


In June, we're bringing back the Artist as an Entrepreneur Institute (AEI) at ArtServe where we'll be teaching artists and creatives the business and economics of their craft. Industry professionals, including the Florida Small Business and Development Center at Florida Atlantic University, will present lectures. The four-weekend course will guide attendees through the process of creating a business plan for selling their art and will conclude June 22 with a clinic where the plans will be critiqued by professionals. To register, visit aei2019.eventbrite.com.

Concurrently at ArtServe in June is the "Doing Business As ... Artists" exhibition of works created by AEI graduates. Opening June 10, the artwork showcases the growth and professionalism of these artists as entrepreneurs. The exhibition will close June 20 with a talk on what it means to be an entrepreneur. Keeping in theme, the talk will be presented by Grace Cho who is the CEO and Founder of Artrepreneur — an Orangenius company — an online platform built to empower members of the creative economy with tools and resources to help manage the complexities of business. As a widely recognized entrepreneur,



Cho will speak about her process of dissecting the core fundamentals to starting a creative career and laying out additional building blocks leading to achieving goals as an artist and entrepreneur. To — for this free talk, visit ArtsEvents.Broward.org.

And in August, community-minded business PNC Bank is partnering with us to provide a free workshop for artists to learn an additional marketing tool that can help put their business in the spotlight; live streaming from their own studio. The workshop, Streaming from the Studio, will take place at the Pompano Beach Cultural Center, another local hub for artists and their businesses. To RSVP for this free workshop, visit StreamFromTheStudio.eventbrite.com.

These are just some of the ways the arts intersect with business and economics. The issue of economic and community growth being impacted by culture is another facet to these topics we're deeply invested in at the Cultural Division. That is why the Greater Fort Lauderdale Alliance awarded us with the Economic Development Partner of the Year in 2018 — an honor we're grateful to be recognized with and even more so to have the Alliance as an ally in the mission for cultural and economic growth in this region we call home. 



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HOUSING FIRST

GOING IT TOGETHER TO PROVIDE ACCOMMODATIONS FOR THE HOMELESS — AND A PLAN

As we continue to fuel our economic expansion it is critical we remember those less fortunate. I say this because our Chamber and many business, political and faith-based leaders are serious about reducing the number of homeless in Broward County.

That's why we worked so hard to rapidly rehouse 80 individuals at the encampment in downtown Fort Lauderdale. That's why 17th Judicial Circuit Chief Judge Jack Tuter created a Community Court to break the cycle of homelessness. That's why we raised hundreds of thousands of dollars to fund security deposits, first month's rent and a special fund to protect landlords. That's why we created the Broward Business Council on Homelessness.

Why then, did the number of homeless increase by 489 men, women, and children in our most recent point-in-time count?

I don't have an answer. There are many possibilities. One thing is certain — we cannot throw in the towel and leave it to someone else or worse. We need everyone to participate in the endeavor. Our focus and work must continue with 1,453 individuals currently sheltered and 1,350 unsheltered.


Currently, I am continuing to focus on rapid rehousing. This includes a myriad of strategies and is,

in my opinion, the critical first step to put a homeless individual on a path to independence and being a productive member of society.

At the base of this we need funding and inventory. I'll focus on inventory. The goal is to do two things — identify a stable supply of housing which this clientele can afford once they have been given a hand up. These can be efficiencies to single-family homes. In our encampment effort, we placed some in rental units paying first and last month's rent and a security deposit. Others were placed in motel/hotel units while we worked on their credentials.

Then we need to identify all vacant or underutilized land owned by government in Broward County and determine if those parcels make sense for development of housing in partnership with a developer. We also need a stable of private sector entrepreneurs who would like to partner in this space.

At the same time I would like to create a Homeless Multiple Listing service. Social service agencies and those working on this effort could access the HMLS, load data and match to clients with whom they are working. This would be a perfect partnership with one of our Realtor or apartment associations in South Florida.

Once we are able to create a dedicated system of housing with a solid inventory, then we can effectively triage individuals through clinical evaluation. Once stabilized, we then can identify skill sets and connect employment opportunities. Housing First is a proven solution and I need your help. 

HOMELESS INDIVIDUALS

YR. 2017

Sheltered

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• 869

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THE ECONOMIC IMPACT OF FORT LAUDERDALE'S MARINE INDUSTRY

THE REACH OF THE REGION'S 142,000 MARINE JOBS STRETCHES FAR BEYOND YACHTS

In some places in the United States and around the world, the appearance of a beautiful, gleaming yacht cruising the waterways can be perceived as merely an expensive toy for the rich and famous, but here in Fort Lauderdale – the yachting capital of the world, most people understand that the presence of a yacht equals a boost to the local economy. Whether it's through fuel, dockage, provisions, wages, or construction, maintenance, refit, and repair, the average annual expenditure of a 140-foot yacht is \$2.08 million.

Yes, yacht ownership is a pastime that necessitates expending significant financial resources, but there is a greater good by-product of that pursuit, and that is job creation — in Broward County specifically, 111,000 marine-related jobs that typically pay 16 percent higher than the state average. Based on a recent study by Thomas J. Murray and Associates, the region's 142,000 marine jobs equate to \$4.2 billion in wages for Broward, Miami-Dade, and Palm Beach counties.

That wage statistic is big, but there's more than meets the eye when it comes to the business of yachting. In fact, salaries constitute only slightly more than 30 percent of the annual \$2.08 million expenditure. The next highest category of expense happens in the boatyard, which generally employs the electricians,

welders, carpenters, painters, mechanics, engineers, boat builders and many others who keep the vessel operating at peak performance and meeting all regulatory requirements.

While the yacht is underway, whether for the owner or by charter, fuel and dockage require an impressive budget that helps to keep local marinas, and subsequently their employees, operating in the black. Provisioning is also a major component. Not only are guests experiencing five-star fine dining experiences for breakfast, lunch, dinner and parties, the crew must also be fed a nutritious diet. The neighborhood grocery stores, markets, liquor stores and specialty shops all benefit enormously from the needs associated with an active yachting season. Then there are the items that aren't as obvious, such as the cost of transportation, hotel nights, crew uniforms, linens, dry cleaning, florists and insurance – for the vessel and the crew.

During 2017, an estimated 1,800 vessels visited South Florida for private cruising, completing normal repairs and maintenance, as well as major refitting and ancillary purposes. Simple math confirms that this is an important segment of our economy and one that needs to be protected from competing states that wish to lure it away.

As South Florida traffic congestion continues to increase everywhere from our highways to our side streets, it may feel frustrating and inconvenient to be stuck waiting for an Intracoastal bridge that is opening and closing for a big boat to pass by, but next time you find yourself in that situation try to remember that without those boats the \$12 billion marine industry in South Florida can't exist and those 142,000 jobs cannot be sustained. [GO](#)



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Freebee is the future of on-demand transportation in Fort Lauderdale. Physically moving people through free (yes — free!), door-to-door electric transportation, Freebee provides first and last mile connectivity that helps get cars off the road and makes communities a place where residents can live, work and play without the need of a personal vehicle.

Freebee originally started as an experiential marketing agency, with 100 percent of its revenue coming from advertisers branding the outside of vehicles. Since its inception in Miami in 2012, Freebee has evolved and adapted to capitalize on the changing transportation needs of high density urban cores and suburban communities spread throughout South Florida and beyond. Its business model has transformed from a free-roaming, advertising-based luxury to a reliable, app-based transportation solution.

“Freebee is one of the most innovative technology platforms providing both mobility and economic

development solutions to government agencies,” said Managing Partner Matt Friedmann. “Our service is fully customizable, aimed at meeting the goals and objectives that communities are looking to achieve.”


“This solution transforms communities into a place where you can live, work and play without the need of a personal vehicle; taking cars off the road and minimizing single-occupancy vehicles. This helps communities reduce traffic congestion and free up limited parking availability.”

Despite the company’s metamorphosis over the years, one thing remains the same: the rides are always free to the riders. Freebee is funded by the local municipalities it serves, as well as through advertising agreements. While the fares are no-cost, riders are encouraged to tip drivers for exceptional service.

Freebee drivers serve as ambassadors for the communities, acting as a rolling information desk on wheels and promoting all things local. Most Freebee ambassadors have a hospitality or customer service background to ensure a service-oriented disposition, and they’re held to the highest standards in order to effectively assist in strengthening the bond between the city and its community.

In response to our city’s growing need for convenient, door-to-door, eco-friendly transportation, Freebee launched its Broward County pilot program in downtown Fort Lauderdale mid-March and will run for three months. The expansion was made possible through funding secured from two private donors, as well as a strong working relationship with the Downtown Development Authority and Broward Metropolitan Planning Organization.

“We’re most looking forward to helping make downtown Fort Lauderdale a place where you can easily maneuver around without the need of a personal vehicles,” Friedmann said. “Through our Freebee app, we are also connecting everyone to all the best deals, discounts and ‘Places to Bee’ in the area at the local businesses.”

Currently, Freebee operates a fleet of more than 60 vehicles and has contracts to provide this service as part of the public transportation network with the local governments in over 11 territories, with many more South Florida cities coming soon. For more information, go to www.RideFreebee.com 

Freebee just started serving Fort Lauderdale in mid-March, but has been in Miami since 2012.





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In an effort to protect taxpayer dollars, our office is always working to identify homeowners in Broward who are fraudulently claiming a Homestead Exemption on their properties. We work with local governments and homeowner and civic associations to help identify exemption fraud. We also rely on anonymous phone and mail tips about potential Homestead fraud.

If you know of anyone claiming Homestead Exemption on a property that is not their permanent residence, we urge you to contact our Department of Professional Standards and Compliance at 954-357-6900 or www.bcpa.net/fraudform.asp and we'll check it out. You are free to provide your contact information or remain completely anonymous when reporting potentially fraudulent activity to our office.

Property owners who fraudulently obtain a Homestead Exemption may be back taxed for as many as 10 years, plus be required to pay substantial penalty and annual interest (50 percent of the unpaid taxes for each year and pay interest at a rate of 15 percent per year).


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FRIDAY NIGHT SOUND WAVES

If you're heading to the beach on Friday evenings, meet us at The Hub and start your weekend off on a high note! Friday Night Sound Waves features live music every Friday night from 6 to 9 p.m. at A1A and Las Olas through July 5. Kick off your shoes, stroll along the wavewall and take in warm ocean breezes under our magnificent moonlight as you enjoy outstanding entertainers performing everything from classic rock, Top 40 and reggae, to funk, oldies, R&B and jazz. For details, visit www.myfortlauderdalebeach.com.



CARTER PARK JAMZ

Carter Park Jamz is back for a special summer engagement. The popular concert series heats up again on summer Fridays: May 17, June 21, July 19 and Sept. 20. The free concerts take place from 7 to 10 p.m. at Joseph C. Carter Park, located at 1450 W. Sunrise Blvd. It's the happening place to be as friends, families and neighbors gather together to celebrate good times and great music featuring Top 40 hits, smooth jazz, soulful R&B classics and tropical staples. For details, visit www.fortlauderdale.gov/friday.



JULY 4 SPECTACULAR

Celebrate America's Independence Day at our free Fourth of July Spectacular. The event takes place on Thursday, July 4, from 12:30 to 9:30 p.m. at A1A and Las Olas Boulevard. Highlights will include live bands, a kids' zone, beach games, face painting, a hot dog eating contest and family activities. At 9 p.m., all eyes will turn toward the sky for the City's spectacular fireworks show which USA Today named as one of the "Top 10 Best Fireworks Shows in the Nation."



SUNDAY JAZZ BRUNCH

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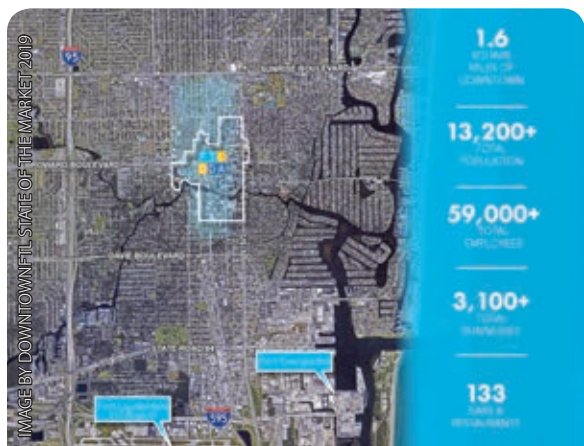


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DOWNTOWNFTL: ON THE RISE

2019 STATE OF THE MARKET REPORT

WRITER JENNI MOREJON



The streets, sidewalks and skylines of every city tell a story — whether that is in the cobble-stoned roads and centuries-old churches found in historic cities, or the vibrant painted intersections and moving construction cranes in cities like Fort Lauderdale. This imagery of a place is compelling on its own, painting a picture of life there. But knowing about a city in real terms, in metrics and stats, can make that city's story complete.

In early 2019, the Fort Lauderdale Downtown Development Authority (DDA) released its inaugural State of the Market report, DowntownFTL: On The Rise. The publication — part real estate update, part DDA portfolio — provides notable comparisons of DowntownFTL to its sister downtowns in Miami and West Palm Beach.

The report sets a solid benchmark to compare change, growth and progress in future years. It tells the story of who lives here, who works here, and what's on the horizon.

DowntownFTL At A Glance

The DDA is an independent taxing district established by the Florida State Legislature in 1965 and led by an appointed board of directors.

Over the past 50 years, the DDA has spearheaded legacy projects to stimulate and sustain economic development and livability in Downtown Fort Lauderdale.

While the DDA's official boundaries comprise just 350 acres in the urban core, DowntownFTL is growing and can be better defined as a 1,000-acre area from Sunrise Boulevard to South 17th Street, and from Federal Highway to Southwest Fourth/Northwest Seventh avenues. Within this area, there are more than 13,200 residents, 59,000 employees, 3,100 businesses, and over 130 bars and restaurants. Cheers!

Develop

Over the past 18 years, close to 6.8 million square feet of office, retail, multifamily and hotel space has been built in Downtown Fort Lauderdale. Today, another 6.2 million square feet is under construction making Downtown Fort Lauderdale the latest redevelopment hotspot in South Florida and around the country.

Work

Fort Lauderdale was named among the Top Job Markets in the U.S. by WalletHub in 2019, and it's no surprise with close to 60,000 employees, 6.8 million square feet of office space and a 12 percent vacancy rate. In 2012, close to 20 percent of office space in DowntownFTL was vacant and as occupancy increased, so too, did office rental rates, rising 70 percent over the past five years.

Live

Downtown Fort Lauderdale's population has grown by an estimated 30 percent since 2010, to more than 13,240 residents. Meanwhile, Broward County's population grew by 9 percent since 2010. Last summer, MoveBuddha ranked Fort Lauderdale as the No. 1 most searched location in the nation for relocations.

Young professionals are flocking to our city center, with residents ages 20 to 34 making up 37 percent of the DowntownFTL population. And if it seems like everyone is walking their dog, you're right — 60 percent of Downtown dwellers are pet owners, compared to 30 percent who have children.

Experience

As retail follows rooftops, there's been a 170 percent growth in commercial space inventory in DowntownFTL over the past five years. Vacancy rates are below 5 percent and triple net rents are averaging \$36 per square foot.

Respondents to an annual online survey the DDA first conducted last fall stated that they most want to see a movie theater, fresh produce and grocery stores, a food hall, more clothes and shoe stores, and a fitness center in Downtown. Good thing many of these uses are on their way to town in the new projects under construction.

Stay

DowntownFTL once offered a limited supply of hotel options, until hotel developers began to recognize the great demand and significant opportunity the urban core presents for business and leisure travelers. In 2018, 432 hotel rooms were added to the mix with the Fairfield Inn and Dalmar, and the hotel development boom continues with another 440 rooms under construction.

Move

Name another major downtown that is but a short trip from an international airport and seaport. With 4.1 million cruisers at Port Everglades each year and 32.5 million passengers traveling through FLL International Airport, connections to the rest of the world are seamless.

New options to move around DowntownFTL are also on the



rise with 100,000 e-scooter rides and thousands of on-demand e-shuttle rides each month. Nothing beats a brisk walk through the city, and DowntownFTL scores a respectable 89 on Walk Score, an online measure of a community's walkability.

Nonetheless, the need for improved mass transit remains, and with the successful passage of the transportation surtax, DowntownFTL can certainly be a priority for enhanced multi-modal options.

On the Horizon

As DowntownFTL looks to the future, the DDA is focusing on key priorities that involve public and private investments, improved mobility, enhancements to the public realm and greater community engagement. Working with our government, non-profit, business and civic stakeholders, we are building the city you never want to leave. 

** Go to www.ddaftl.org/annualreport to view a digital flipbook of the report.*



FORT LAUDERDALE'S OTHER AIRPORT

WELCOME TO THE FORT LAUDERDALE EXECUTIVE AIRPORT, HOME OF A \$2.1 BILLION ECONOMIC IMPACT

WRITER LYNN PEITHMAN STOCK AND JASON LEIDY

Fort Lauderdale's executive airport has come a long, long way from its humble beginnings as a training ground for World War II pilots in 1941.

Today, Fort Lauderdale Executive Airport (FXE) is the fifth busiest general aviation airport in the country, and brings in \$2.1 billion to the local economy, according to a 2019 Florida Department of Transportation study.

That's an increase of 149 percent over only five years ago.

With the air traffic control tower open 24 hours, FXE is a hot spot of activity between well-heeled business executives and leisure travelers to the Caribbean, Bahamas and Latin America.

From improved electric cables for runway lights to a dedicated customs building, the airport has made multiple improvements with more to come.

Even the U.S. Customs at FXE has expanded its hours, now open from 8 a.m. to midnight. "That demonstrates the amount of activity that has been occurring over the years, and how the airport has grown," said Rufus James, FXE's manager for the past four years.

Here's a look at how FXE generates such an economic impact and a short timeline of recent improvements.

By the numbers

5th

FXE is the fifth busiest general aviation airport in the country. A general aviation airport does not have scheduled passenger service and serves private aircraft and small aircraft charters. No commercial airlines fly in and out of FXE.

\$2.1 billion

Economic impact of FXE — to be precise, \$2,091,276,000, according to the FDOT.

12,708

Jobs created because of FXE

181,000 operations

FXE counts one takeoff and one landing as an "operation." James said FXE can have between four and 700 operations a day.

22

Number of employees, including administration, maintenance, an electrician, landscaping, trash collection, a noise abatement officer

1st

The first U.S. Customs automated passport control at a general aviation airport in the country for passenger customs clearance.

PHOTOS BY JASON LEIDY



4 FBOs

FXE is home to four fixed-base operators, which provide everything from fuel and maintenance to private aircraft, to flight training and showers and nap rooms for private pilots stopping through.

Fire Rescue Station 53

Staffed 24 hours a day, seven days a week. The executive airport has had an aircraft rescue and firefighting team there since 1972. The city's HAZMAT team is also stationed here.

"We're not required to have that fire truck, but it's a benefit for business operator or aircraft operator to know they have that truck there," James said. "It makes a world of difference and also helps their insurance premiums."

Budget

\$8 million

Revenue comes from ground leases and fuel flowage.

FXE is owned and operated by the City of Fort Lauderdale.

Recent improvements

2000

Improved lighting electrical system: "The electrical cable, for instance, was buried directly into the ground with transformers that would power up the lights. You would get a lightening strike and have an electrical problem underground that made it difficult to trouble shoot," James said. "All of our electrical cables are in conduit now. They're easier to track down if there are any issues."

2002

New 10,000-square-foot administration building

2014

New 92-foot-tall air traffic control tower; cost of \$16 million: With bigger planes using FXE came taller hangars, which made it difficult for air traffic controllers to see from the 1970-built tower, only 35 feet tall.

2015

New U.S. Customs and Border Patrol building; cost of \$5.7 million: Customs at the one-story, 8,000-square-foot building is now open from 8 a.m. to midnight. Before 2015, Customs worked out of a square-foot double-wide trailer at FXE.

2016

Global Entry Kiosks: FXE is the first general aviation airport in the country to have these kiosks. Pre-approved, low-risk travelers may use them to expedite their entry into the U.S.

2018

Automated U.S. Customs Kiosks: The executive airport is also the first in the country to have customs automated passport-control kiosks.



Upcoming improvements

\$4 million: Relocation of a taxiway

\$11 million: Improved lighting of runways and signs, from quartz to LED lighting

\$1.5 million: Expansion of administration building

History

Newcomers to this burgeoning city may not be aware of the role World War II played in kickstarting the growth of what was once a town into the city that we know today. In 1941, the Federal government built West Prospect Satellite Field, now known as FXE. Because of the mild climate, Naval pilots were able to train year round.


At the start of World War II, the federal government also commissioned the already built Merle Fogg Airport to increase training capacity and as a facility for refitting variety of civil aircraft for wartime. In conjunction with the fuel capacity provided by Port Everglades, a new industrial base developed in a place up to this point was almost exclusively reliant on tourism and agricultural production.

By 1947, the airport had sat vacant for several years and the federal government deeded the land and facilities to the City of Fort Lauderdale. Local business people realized it was a valuable asset. By the early 1960s, the city built Fort Lauderdale Stadium, where the Yankees held their spring training, which encouraged private pilots to fly in and watch the games.

The city started leasing land at the executive airport in the 1970s and James said FXE has been operating in the red since 1981.

Convenience

Private pilot Mike Grimme has flown out of FXE for 23 years, both as a business owner and now as a charter pilot. The Fort Lauderdale resident, who flies Gulfstream G4s full-time for a charter company, can speak to the convenience of FXE for business executives.

"Things move a lot faster" at FXE, he said. "When there's an event coming up, they can get organized for it. Whether it's the Boat Show, the Super Bowl, they can move a lot faster. At FXE, you're not mixing airline traffic with private and corporate traffic, so you can get in and out faster when you're flying. It's just very much a pro-business, pro-private aviation airport." 

RIVERWALK'S BURGER BATTLE™ X

10TH ANNIVERSARY BEST OF THE BEST CHALLENGERS HEAT UP ANNUAL BURGER COMPETITION

WRITER GENIA DUNCAN ELLIS

With perfect weather, cool tunes from the Silent Shout and great food from some of the finest restaurants in the area, the 10th Annual Burger Battle™ welcomed an excited crowd to try the 15 burger options to determine three competitive categories — Fan Favorite, Best Burger and the 10th Anniversary “Best of the Best” only open to previous winners.

While each year it gets more competitive, this year Green Bar + Kitchen stepped into the competition offering an alternative burger, plant based, that was a rousing hit! Let's not forget our French Fry Bar Sponsor Bar Red Beard — what a treat! The lines always tell you where French fries are in the park — to go with that favorite burger!


Guests sipped on Jack Daniels cocktails, Barefoot Wine on behalf of Breakthru Beverage and a variety of cold beers provided by Stephen's Distributing including Budweiser, Veza Sur and Patagonia. For additional entertainment, Burger Fi stepped in sponsoring the burger-eating contest — a challenge to those that profess to be able to take the challenge.

The VIP area offered a restful spot for those who were looking for an upgraded service with open bar, dessert

bites provided by Key West Sweets and awesome pulled pork sliders from Tarpon River Brewing.

When the chips were counted for Fan Favorite — the burger most liked by the more than 900 guests — Hard Rock Café was the hands-down winner! When the judging panel consisting of some of South Florida's best-known chefs — Chef Tara Abrams, Chef Gina Sansonia, Chef Robyn Almodovar and Chef Chad Phillips — completed their taste testing and blind scoring, the results were conclusive: ROK:BRGR won Best Burger for 2019.

The next step was to determine the 10-year “Best of the Best.” For 10 years, Riverwalk Burger Battle™, hosting more than 10,000 locals, has given folks the chance to try some of south Florida's finest burgers. We will gladly tell you from the judge's tally it was an extremely close race but at the end of the evening, the results indicated ROK:BRGR won as the Best of the Best.

We are already looking ahead to next year — stand by as we will have some more unique and fun options to share. A great thank you to our sponsors and especially our contenders ... the community came to celebrate your great offerings! 





Best Burger 2019 and Best of the Best 2009-2019:
ROK:BRGR



Fan Favorite: Hard Rock Café



Judges Chef Chad Phillips, Gina Sansonia
and Chef Tara Abrams



Louie
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ENDANGERED Art4Apes

COCKTAIL RECEPTION: Saturday, May 11th 6-8pm

Welcome Address by
Patrick A. Harris, Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale
& Center for Great Apes Board Member.

Cocktails by Miami Club Rum: European cheeseboard

EXHIBITION:

Thursday, May 2nd - Thursday, May 16th, 2019

Venue: ArtServe, Gallery 133, 1350 E. Sunrise Blvd.
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33304

This thought provoking fine art and photography exhibition focuses on the plight of endangered species and habitats, celebrating their beauty and documenting the threats faced. Proceeds benefit the Center for Great Apes, a Florida non-profit sanctuary for rescued and retired orangutans and chimpanzees in need of lifetime care.

Questions: Lindsey@Art4Apes.com

Website: <https://www.Art4Apes.com>



Before the Hunt
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BREWING BUSINESS — GOOD FOR WHAT ‘ALE’S’ YOU

DURING OUR SPRING TRAVELS, WE LEARNED MORE ABOUT FOOD FLAVORS IN BEER

WRITERS PENNY SANFILIPPO & JONNY ALTOBELL — THE UGLY SISTERS

Brewing is hot, whether the end product is hot or cold. From coffee shops to gastro pubs people are enjoying innovative, fresh flavors in comfortable surroundings often with great food, too. Brew pubs, particularly the urban endeavors, are still debuting and going strong despite dire warnings that the movement was slowing.

But wait — this is the “Bites” portion of “Bites and Sips.” Why are we writing about beer?

Because beer is closer to food than drink, and the variety of flavoring is endless. Simply told: the “mash,” a porridge-like mix of differing grains and yeast which is then fermented, determines the style — light or heavy — and the amount (and type) of hops, herbs and fruits are used to change a profile, sometimes dramatically. We were lucky enough to meet Navy vet Jim Lewis and his wife, Deborah, on our Florida travels this spring, in Fort Walton Beach.

Fort Walton Brewing produces small batch (35 gallon) brews. Because they are not in large-scale distribution they can — and do — change at will. We in particular liked the Gose (go-zah), a very low abv. (under 4% alcohol by volume) quaffer flavored with Michigan Tart Cherries called “Cherry Pucker.” The fruit is added at the end of brewing with a maximum of two days on the beer.

This German style sour also gets life/flavor with bounties from Jim and Deborah’s garden: ruby red grapefruit, key limes, kumquats or watermelon. We did not get a chance to try another style, Saison, that they infuse with cucumbers, blueberries or hot peppers as they were not brewing it when we arrived. Jim and Debbie are also proud of their gluten-free brew in which the mash is made of Basmati or Jasmine rice, quinoa, carrots and hops. Lest the pets feel left out, the couple also

makes dog cookies from the spent grains added to natural peanut butter, bananas, oats and eggs from their own chickens. Now we begin to better understand the “craft” in the craft beer movement.

So on your next afternoon or evening out in Fort Lauderdale, stop by one of our local haunts such as Tarpon River Brewing, Funky Buddha (started here though now nationally known), LauderAle Brewery, Gulf Stream Brewery, Knoffner Brewing and the newly opened American Icon Brewery Kitchen & Taproom in Fort Lauderdale and 3 Sons in Dania Beach. Who knows what’s next?

You can check the March 22, 2019, edition of *South Florida Business Journal* for a more complete listing of breweries both in and outside of our area. Go see and taste what these creative stylists are up to. [@BU](#)



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GET SPICY, SMOKY AND SWEET FOR A ZESTY SUMMER

AMP UP YOUR SUMMER DRINKS WITH A LITTLE FRUIT MAGIC

WRITER RENÉE K. QUINN



Vinegar plus sugar equals sweet and tangy syrup with savory undertones: Shrubs are the result of preserving fruit, vegetable or herbs in vinegar, then sweetening the mixture with sugar.

A shrub lends acidity and sweetness, simultaneously balancing a cocktail. Shrubs, aka drinking vinegars, are a source of acid, a refreshing change of pace from the usual citrus in your cocktail recipe. The method of storing fruit in vinegar (maceration) originated in 17th century England as a way to use overripe produce and extend the summer season.

Macerated fresh or dried fruit is splashed with or left to sit in a flavored liquid such as liquor, vinegar, citrus or syrup for a few hours to overnight. Maceration starts instantly, and in some cases you'll notice a change in fruit texture or flavor within minutes of contact.

The best results require time as the fruit absorbs the liquids and seasonings around it, which causes a slight softening (and plumping, in the case of dried fruit) of texture and a shift in flavor profiles. The end result is juicy fruit with amped-up taste. ©

TIP

Alcohols with higher percentages (bourbon or whiskey) will help preserve fruits and berries from spoiling.

MIX AND MATCH THESE MACERATING INGREDIENTS

- Liquors and liqueurs
- Balsamic, champagne, red wine or cider vinegars
- Agave nectar or honey
- Maple syrup
- Citrus juice and zest
- Fresh or dried fruits
- Spices: star anise, cinnamon, nutmeg and vanilla
- Fresh, chopped herbs
- Ginger
- Fresh and dried chiles

WHERE TO TRY

Shrub Cocktails are the rage.

Try them at:

- The Wilder
- Stache Drinking Den
- Rooftop @1WLO
- Apothecary 330



Check out www.goriverwalk.com for more spirited #BITES+SIPS and recipes. Join Renée's #conSPIRiTors by following her on Twitter and Instagram (@spiritedsf) and her Facebook page, Spirited South Florida. Remember to #DrinkResponsibly #GetSpiritedSouthFlorida



GENERAL EVENTS



Dinner at the Square

May 1
Climate change and sea level rise in Fort Lauderdale
Broward College
Funky Buddha Brewery
(954) 201-7518
broward.villagesquare.us

8th Annual Magnolia Luncheon

May 1
Recognizing women of dignity, strength and perseverance
United Way of Broward County
Broward County Convention Center
(954) 453-3731
www.unitedwaybroward.org

Art of Wine & Food Series

May 2
Chill Out for the Summer
NSU Art Museum Fort Lauderdale
(954) 525-5500
www.nsuartmuseum.org



The Milk Carton Kids

May 2
Twice Grammy-nominated indie-folk duo
Broward Center for the Performing Arts
(954) 462-0222
www.browardcenter.org

Arc Broward's Delish 2019

May 2
Pairing top Florida chefs with Arc students
Arc Broward
The Galleria Fort Lauderdale
(954) 746-9400
www.arcbroward.org

Tamir Hendelman Trio

May 3
Playgrounds and Destinations
Gold Coast Jazz Society
Broward Center for the Performing Arts
(954) 462-0222
www.browardcenter.org



Judas Priest

May 3
Firepower 2019 Tour
Hard Rock Event Center
(800) 397-0010
www.mylr.org

Tarzan: The Stage Musical

May 3-5
Based on Disney's epic animated film
Florida Children's Theatre
Bailey Hall
(954) 763-6882
www.flct.org

Pantone Color of the Year Exhibit

May 4
Free public reception
Broward Art Guild
(954) 537-3770
www.browardartguild.org

2019 American Cancer Society's Celebration Gala

May 4
This year's theme is Kentucky Derby
American Cancer Society
Marriott Harbor Beach Resort & Spa
(954) 200-7520
www.cancer.org



A Very Intimate Acoustic Evening with Pat Benatar & Neil Giraldo

May 4
Marking their 40th anniversary in the music business
Seminole Casino Coconut Creek
(954) 977-6700
www.casinococo.com

7th Annual Harbor Lights Gala

May 4
This year's theme is An Evening in Paris
Children's Harbor
The Ritz Carlton Fort Lauderdale
(954) 252-3072
www.childrensharbor.org

Indigo Girls

May 4
With special guest Three5Human
Parker Playhouse
(954) 462-0222
www.parkerplayhouse.com

Kentucky Derby Party

May 4
Complete with a hat contest
Junior League of Greater Fort Lauderdale
Rooftop
(954) 462-1350
www.juniorleagueftl.org

Fort Lauderdale Air Show

May 4-5
Featuring the U.S. Navy Blue Angels
Fort Lauderdale Air Show
Fort Lauderdale Beach
(321) 395-3110
www.air.show

Macy Gray

May 5
R&B, jazz and soul singer
Parker Playhouse
(954) 462-0222
www.parkerplayhouse.com

Wings for Life World Run

May 5
A unique, world-wide coordinated run
Wings for Life
BB&T Center
www.wingsforlifeworldrun.com

Birdies for Birch

May 7
Raising money to fund improvement projects at the park
Friends of Birch State Park
Lago Mar Country Club
(954) 566-0660
www.birchstatepark.org



Evanescence

May 7
Two-time Grammy Award-winning rock band
Hard Rock Event Center
(800) 745-3000
www.mylr.org

SUNsational Service Courtesy Awards Luncheon

May 8
Recognizing Broward's finest hospitality workers
Greater Fort Lauderdale CVB
Broward County Convention Center
(954) 765-4466
www.sunny.org

Feed Your Creativity Art Competition Gallery Night

May 8
Celebrating talented local high school students
Feeding South Florida Warehouse
(954) 518-1818
www.feedingsouthflorida.org

13th Annual Starfish Luncheon

May 9
Honoring Broward College and Memorial Healthcare System
Women in Distress
Signature Grand
(954) 760-9800
www.womenindistress.org



Wanda Sykes

May 9
An Emmy Award-winning stand-up comic, writer, actress
Hard Rock Event Center
(800) 397-0010
www.mylr.org

Werther

May 9 & 11
A tale of unrequited love
Florida Grand Opera
Broward Center for the Performing Arts
(954) 462-0222
www.browardcenter.org

An Evening with Kristina Kuzmic

May 10
The Hope and Humor Tour
Parker Playhouse
(954) 462-0222
www.parkerplayhouse.com

An Evening in Emerald City

May 10
Celebrating 35 years of supporting students and teachers
Broward Education Foundation
Pier 66 Hotel & Marina
(754) 321-2030
www.browardedfoundation.org



Endangered Fine Art & Photography Exhibit

May 11
Cocktail reception
Center for Great Apes
ArtServe
(646) 269-2389
www.art4apes.com



Tom Jones

May 11
Featuring new songs and old favorites
Hard Rock Event Center
(800) 745-3000
www.mylr.org

Girls Just Wanna Have Fun Brunch

May 11
Celebrating the female spirit and the friendship of women
PACE Center for Girls
Pier 66 Hotel & Marina
(954) 561-6939
www.pacecenter.org

Waterway Soiree

May 11
A high-end yacht hop
Children's Diagnostic & Treatment Center
Bahia Mar Resort & Yachting Center
(954) 728-1019
www.waterwaysoiree.com

AARLCC-CON: Sci-Fi & Comic Convention

May 11
Providing a platform for African-American writers and illustrators
African-American Research Library & Cultural Center
(954) 357-6282

All Sounds Colorful

May 11
Musically exploring the world through color
Florida Singing Sons
The Sanctuary
(954) 563-2697
www.singingsons.org

Asian-Pacific American Heritage Celebration

May 11-12
Featuring costume contests, tasty cuisine and more
Museum of Discovery & Science
(954) 467-MODS
www.mods.org

5th Annual Behavioral Health Conference

May 14
The Power of Prevention
United Way of Broward County
Signature Grand
(954) 308-9282
www.unitedwaybroward.org

Rocktopia

May 15
Bringing rock and classical together like never before
 Broward Center for the Performing Arts
 (954) 462-0222
www.browardcenter.org

Broadway Under the Stars

May 16
An evening with Neil Berg, Rita Harvey & Richard Todd Adams
 Covenant House Florida
 The Grateful Palate
 (954) 561-5559
www.covenanthousefl.org

22nd Annual Cuisine for Art

May 16
Honoring Pulitzer Prize winning humorist and writer Dave Barry
 Art and Culture Center/Hollywood
 Hard Rock Hotel & Casino
 (954) 921-3274
www.artandculturecenter.org

Salute to Leadership Gala

May 17
Celebrating in Roaring '20s style
 Broward Partnership
 Signature Grand
 (954) 832-7037
www.bphi.org

Delilah — One Heart at a Time

May 17
An interactive evening
 Broward Center for the Performing Arts
 (954) 462-0222
www.browardcenter.org



The Color Run — Love Tour

May 18
The happiest 5k on the planet
 The Color Run
 Huizenga Plaza
 (954) 468-1541
www.thecolorrun.com

PJ Masks LIVE! Save the Day

May 18
An all new, super-heroic, live musical show
 Broward Center for the Performing Arts
 (954) 462-0222
www.browardcenter.org

Kurt Elling Quintet

May 18
South Florida Jazz Series
 Broward College
 Bailey Hall
 (954) 201-6884
www.baileyhall.com

Golden Compass Award Gala

May 18
Honoring Paul Doell, National President, American Maritime Officers
 Seafarers' House
 Pier 66 Hotel & Marina
 (954) 467-7330
www.seafarershouse.org

Nicholas David

May 18
A multi-talented singer/songwriter
 Broward Center for the Performing Arts
 (954) 462-0222
www.browardcenter.org



Kansas

May 18
One of America's iconic classic rock bands
 Seminole Casino Coconut Creek
 (954) 977-6700
www.casinococo.com

Eye of the Storm Event

May 18
Interactive demonstrations and presentations from experts
 Museum of Discovery & Science
 (954) 467-MODS
www.mods.org



22nd Annual Hospice Regatta

May 18
A day of racing, dinner, live entertainment and more
 Trustbridge Hospice Foundation
 Coral Ridge Yacht Club
 (561) 494-6884
www.trustbridgefoundation.org

Rob Lowe — Stories I Only Tell My Friends

May 19
Giving insights to his four decade career
 Broward Center for the Performing Arts
 (954) 462-0222
www.browardcenter.org

Cruel Intentions: The '90s Musical Experience

May 19
Based on the classic cult film
 Coral Springs Center for the Arts
 (954) 344-5990
www.thecentercs.com



An Evening with David Crosby and Friends

May 21
Performing classic hits and new works
 Parker Playhouse
 (954) 462-0222
www.parkerplayhouse.com



Excellence in Education Gala

May 23
Celebrate and support hospitality education
 Florida Restaurant & Lodging Association
 Marriott Harbor Beach Resort
 (954) 270-5814
www.frla.org

An Intimate Evening with Kristin Chenoweth

May 25
Emmy and Tony Award-winning actress and singer
 Hard Rock Event Center
 (800) 397-0010
www.myhrl.org

Great American Beach Party

May 25
Featuring Blood Sweat & Tears
 City of Fort Lauderdale
 The Hub — Las Olas & A1A
www.fortlauderdale.gov

Human Image Exhibit

May 29 - June 21
A celebration of the human form in all its glory
 Broward Art Guild
 (954) 537-3770
www.browardartguild.org

Veronica's Position

May 30 — June 30
Love, politics and art intermingle in this star-spangled comedy
 Island City Stage
 (954) 519-2533
www.islandcitystage.org



14th Annual Scholars Breakfast

May 31
Believe in the Dream
 HANDY, Inc.
 Pier 66 Hotel & Marina
 (954) 540-5141
www.handyinc.org

Tyler Henry The Hollywood Medium

May 31
Life Lessons I've Learned from the Departed
 Hard Rock Event Center
 (800) 745-3000
www.myhrl.com



PINION End of Year Luncheon

May 31
Supporting Special Olympics of Broward County
 Timpano
 (561) 309-7232
www.pinioninc.com

Human Image Exhibit

June 1
Free public reception
 Broward Art Guild
 (954) 537-3770
www.browardartguild.org

Deja Vu — Studio 54 — Disco Made me Do It

June 1
Celebrating mentoring success in our community
 Big Brothers & Big Sister of Broward County
 Hard Rock Event Center
 (954) 289-8859
www.bbbsbroward.org

15th Anniversary Gold Party

June 1
Raising funds for children's cancer research
 Jessica June Children's Cancer Foundation
 Revolution Live
 (954) 712-6322
www.jjccf.org



Art of Wine & Food Series

June 6
Rose All Day
 NSU Art Museum Fort Lauderdale
 (954) 525-5500
www.nsuartmuseum.org

Weird Al Yankovic

June 6
The Strings Attached Tour
 Broward Center for the Performing Arts
 (954) 462-0222
www.browardcenter.org

The Clairvoyants

June 7
World renowned magicians
 Hard Rock Event Center
 (800) 745-3000
www.myhrl.com

A Bronx Tale

June 11-23
A young man is caught between the father he loves and the mob boss he'd love to be
 Broadway Across America
 Broward Center for the Performing Arts
 (954) 462-0222
www.browardcenter.org

Priscilla Queen of the Desert

June 13-30
Based on the smash hit movie
 Slow Burn Theatre Company
 Broward Center for the Performing Arts
 (954) 462-0222
www.browardcenter.org



Gabriel Iglesias

June 14
Beyond the Fluffy World Tour
 Hard Rock Event Center
 (800) 745-3000
www.myhrl.com

An Evening with Raul Midon and The Lionel Loueke Trio

June 15
South Florida Jazz Series
 Broward College
 Bailey Hall
 (954) 201-6884
www.baileyhall.com

LIMITED ENGAGEMENT



Anastasia

Through May 5
Inspired by the beloved films
 Broadway Across America
 Broward Center for the Performing Arts
 (954) 462-0222
www.browardcenter.org



Prisim

Through May 4
Exploring diversity and LGBTQIA identity through art
The Frank Gallery
(954) 392-2120
www.thefrankgallery.org

Endangered Fine Art & Photography Exhibit

Through May 16
Focusing on the plight of all endangered species
Center for Great Apes
ArtServe
(646) 269-2389
www.art4apes.com

William J. Glackens and Pierre-Auguste Renoir: Affinities and Distinctions

Through May 19
Illuminating Renoir's influence on Glackens
NSU Art Museum Fort Lauderdale
(954) 262-0258
www.nsuartmuseum.org

Pantone Color of the Year Exhibit

Through May 17
Artists deliver their magic within this palette
Broward Art Guild
(954) 537-3770
www.browardartguild.org



Tri-County Biennial Competition and Exhibit

Through May 17
An eclectic mix of styles in paintings, sculptures, photography and mixed media
Broward Art Guild
ArtServe
(954) 537-3770
www.browardartguild.org

Carter Park Jamz

May 17, June 21, July 19, Sept. 20
Summer concert series
Carter Park
(954) 828-5411
www.fortlauderdale.gov/friday

Paradise from Land to Sea

Through May 22
Showcasing Florida's wildlife, landscapes, cultures and waterways
History Fort Lauderdale
(954) 463-4431
www.flhc.org

Reboot

Through May 29
41st annual student exhibition
Broward College
Rosemary Duffy Larson Gallery
(954) 201-6840
www.browardvpa.com

Bank of America Starlight Musicals

June 7 through Aug. 9
Free weekly summer concerts
Holiday Park
(954) 828-5411
www.fortlauderdale.gov/starlight



Friday Night Sound Waves

Through July 5
Different music genres on the beach every Friday night!
Friday Night Sound Waves
The Hub — Las Olas & A1A
www.fridaynightsoundwaves.com

Great Bear Rainforest 3D

Through December 31
A documentary about the fabled all-white Spirit Bear
IMAX @ Museum of Discovery and Science
(954) 467-MODS (6637)
www.mods.org

Superpower Dogs 3D

Through February 28
Experience the bravery of some of the world's most amazing dogs
IMAX @ Museum of Discovery and Science
(954) 467-MODS (6637)
www.mods.org

ONGOING

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Ongoing Classes

- Acting/Stand-Up
 - Dance
 - Music
 - Photography
 - Visual Arts
 - Wellness
 - Philosophy/Meditation
- (954) 462-8190
www.artserve.org



Ongoing Youth & Adult Classes

- Computer & Programs
 - Technology Basics
 - Education & Literacy
 - Creation Station Gadget Lab
 - Creation Station Business
- CoworkingHub
(954) 357-6555
www.browardlibrary.org

Free First Full Weekend

- Bank of America cardholders receive FREE admission

Free First Thursdays

- FREE museum admission on the first Thursday of every month from 4—8 pm

Last Sundays — Fort Lauderdale Neighbor Day

- FREE museum admission for Fort Lauderdale residents
- (954) 525-5500
www.nsuartmuseum.org



Ongoing Youth & Adult Classes

- Aquatics
 - Dance
 - Kayaking
 - Sports
 - Yoga
 - Art
- (954) 828-7275
www.fortlauderdale.gov

Evening Observations

Wednesdays
Explore the stars and the universe
Buehler Planetarium
Broward College Central Campus
(954) 201-6681 | www.broward.edu

Sunset Kayak Tours

Fridays
Explore the unique ecosystem of the park
Park & Ocean
Hugh Taylor Birch State Park
(954) 563-2900
www.parkandcocean.com

Guided Nature Walks

Sundays
Call ahead to confirm
Broward County Parks & Recreation
Fern Forest Nature Center
(954) 357-5198
www.broward.org

Old Town Untapped

First Friday
South Florida's premiere craft beer and arts festival
Bailey Contemporary Arts
(954) 786-7824
www.baileyarts.org

Mommy & Me

First Saturday
Story Time Hour
The Frank Gallery
(954) 392-2120
www.thefrankgallery.org



Revolution Live Jazz Brunch

First Sunday, 11 am — 2 pm
Free, live, outdoor concert series of local jazz artists
Esplanade Park and along the Riverwalk
www.fortlauderdale.gov

Souful Sundays After Dark

Second Sunday
Featuring South Florida's most highly praised singers and musicians
Ali Cultural Arts
(954) 786-7876 | www.aliarts.org

Downtown Hollywood Art Walk

Third Saturday
Restaurants, galleries & shops, art, music, murals, outdoor markets & more
Downtown Hollywood
(954) 924-2980 | www.hollywoodfl.org

PNC Arts Alive: Free Arts! Family Days

Third Sunday
Free admission to the gallery and interactive arts activities.
Art and Culture Center/Hollywood
(954) 921-2174
www.artandculturecenter.org

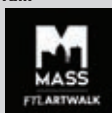
FATVillage Art Walk

Last Saturday
The signature Artwalk event in Fort Lauderdale.
FATVillage
(754) 800-1640
www.flaglerartwalk.com



MASS District Art Walk

Last Saturday
Tour the studios of music and art south of Sunrise
MASS District
(954) 866-3890
www.massdistrict.com



RIVERWALK RECREATION

@ Riverwalk • (954) 526-5159
www.RiverwalkRec.com

■ A Dog's Best Friend Group Classes

Intermediate Dog Obedience Class
Thursdays 1-7 p.m.
Masters Dog Obedience Class
Thursdays 1:15-4:15 p.m.
Esplanade Park
www.adogsbestfriend.com

■ Cycle Party Tours

Everyday | Reservation required
Jump aboard a 15-person quadricycle and experience Fort Lauderdale in an entirely new way.
www.cp-tours.com/fortlauderdale

■ Bike & eBike Tours

Everyday | Reservation required
Tours are along the north and south sides of the river focused on the Riverwalk.
www.cp-tours.com/fortlauderdale

■ EcoBoat Rentals

Everyday | 10 a.m. — 6 p.m.
Reservation required
2525 Marina Bay Dr. W.
www.ecoboatsfl.com
(954) 5000-ECO



■ Kayak & Paddleboard Rentals

Everyday | 10 a.m. — 6 p.m.
Along the New River
Explore the yachting capital of the world in a kayak or on a paddleboard. Launching from Esplanade Park.
www.cp-tours.com/fortlauderdale



■ Fort Lauderdale Segway Tours

Everyday | 8 a.m. — 6 p.m.
Reservation required
Take a one- or two-hour Segway tour in Fort Lauderdale on the Riverwalk. Training provided.
(954) 304-5746
www.segwayfortlauderdale.com

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[Eye On South Florida](https://www.youtube.com/EyeOnSouthFlorida)



LAS OLAS WINE AND FOOD FESTIVAL

Five blocks of Las Olas Boulevard hosted the 24th annual Las Olas Wine and Food Festival on April 5.



CARRIGAN PARISH AND MARISA SILVER



MAXINE EDELSBERG AND JACKIE SILBERING

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LITERARY FEAST

On March 2, the Broward County Library Foundation held its Literary Feast, which was established in 1988 to raise funds to support public library programs.



GAIL AND BOB BULFIN



JOSEPH EPSTEIN AND KIP HUNTER-EPSTEIN, CHEF ANGELO ELIA,
AUTHOR RONALD BALSON AND DENISE ELIA



BEATRIZ AND ALBERT MINIACI

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HANDY HOSTS BREAKFAST FOR DINNER RECEPTION FOR SCHOLARS

The nonprofit, Handy (Helping Abused Neglected Disadvantaged Youth), held a breakfast reception on Feb. 27 for its 14th annual scholars breakfast, which will be May 31.



CAROL AND BOB YOLLES



ROB KORNAHRENS, JENNIFER BUCHANAN, KIRK BROWN, PATTY SACCO,
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GREATER FORT LAUDERDALE FOOD AND WINE

Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale was a charity partner of the Greater Fort Lauderdale Food and Wine Festival, held March 20 through 24.



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TARPON RIVER BREWING ONE-YEAR ANNIVERSARY

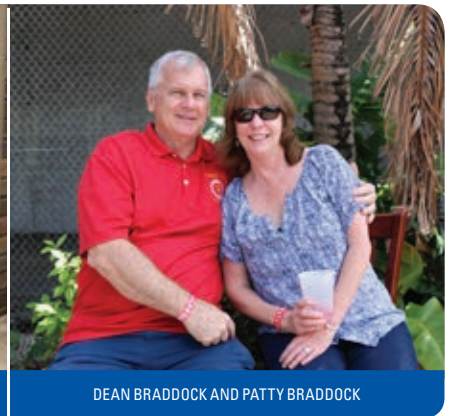
Tarpon River Brewing celebrated its one-year anniversary with an all-day music festival and backyard barbecue on March 23.



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BROWARD COLLEGE SPEAKER SERIES

NFL legend and Fox NFL Sunday co-host Terry Bradshaw spoke at the Broward College Speaker Series on March 11.



CHAE HAILE, TERRY BRADSHAW AND BROWARD COLLEGE PRESIDENT GREGORY ADAM HAILE



TERRY BRADSHAW WITH THE BROWARD COLLEGE MEN'S BASKETBALL TEAM AND ELLICE MARTINEZ AND AND CARLOS PARRA



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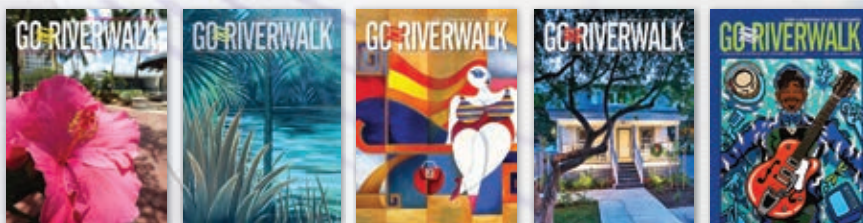


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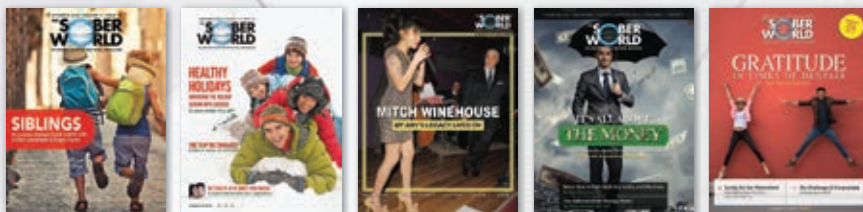
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