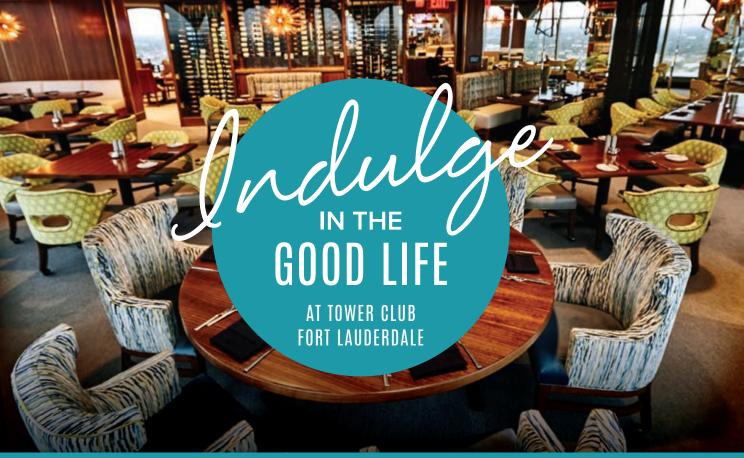
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#### FROM PARKING LOT TO PARK



Joni Mitchell would be smiling as her famed lyrics, "they paved paradise, and put up a parking lot," have reversed, with the opening of the new Oceanfront Plaza on Fort Lauderdale Beach in mid-November 2019

Designed as a multi-use space, Oceanfront Plaza will serve as a gathering place for neighbors and visitors to Fort Lauderdale's coastline, as well as the anticipated new home to the areas popular free concert series, Friday Night Sound Waves, and other community events.

Within the space, a splash pad for children, an extensive green lawn area flanked by tree-lined sidewalks, and landscaped dune walls with built-in seating provide an integrated landscape steps from the sand.

Public amenities are also present with restroom facilities, a welcome center with digital information board, and an arcitectural covered drive for easy pick up and drop off.

Oceanfront Plaza is one of two waterfront parks included in Fort Lauderdale Beach's \$49 million Park project. The second park, which will be located along the Intracoastal Waterway adjacent to the new Las Olas Parking Garage, will add nearly four acres of green space, an open-air promenade with wide walkways and seating areas.

For more information on the new Oceanfront Plaza, planned activities and more, visit www.MvFTLB.com



Scheduled to open to the public mid-November, Oceanfront Plaza is a central respit for residents and visitors to Fort Lauderdale Beach.

#### **GIVING THANKS**



There is a lot to be grateful for this Thanksgiving season, including the decadent feasts the talented chefs at Fort Lauderdale's beachfront restaurants are planning for you to "gobble" up. So go ahead and make reservations instead of cranberry sauce, and wonderful family memories instead of a messy kitchen. Find all the mouthwatering details in our Thanksgiving Dining Guide, at MyFtLB.com

#### ON THE HORIZON **NOVEMBER**

- 2 Sip & Shoppe on Breakers Ave Breakers Avenue
- **5 FLIFF Retro Pool Party** Conrad Fort Lauderdale
- Fort Lauderdale Beach Sweep The Hub, Las Olas & A1A
- 9 Fire & Ice: A Full Moon Experience Tsukuro
- 10 Full Moon Rising S3 Restaurant
- 17 FLIFF Closing Party Wild Thyme Oceanside Eatery
- 23 & 24 Riptide Music Festival Fort Lauderdale Beach



What would Thanksgiving look like if you had the area's most celebrated chefs in the kitchen? Find out **NOVEMBER 24** as The Ritz-Carlton's Executive Chef. Paula DaSilva, hosts her annual Friendsgiving Dinner with her friends, Burlock Coast's new Executive Chef, Brooke Mallory, and long time friend, Chef Dean James Max,

**Light Up the Beach** takes center stage on **NOVEMBER 26** with the illumination of more than 50,000 holiday lights along Fort Lauderdale Beach, and the return of "Olas" our wildly popular larger-than-life 20-foot Beach Snowman at A1A & Las Olas and Oceanside Plaza.



- 28 Fort Lauderdale Turkey Trot DC Alexander Park
- 29 Dogs, Beaches & Brews World Famous Parrot Lounge
- 30 Water Taxi Holiday Light Cruise through Dec. 24

#### **SAVE THE DATES**

**DEC 6-8 BREWS AT THE BEACH** New from the creators of Greater Fort Lauderdale Food and Wine Festival, a three-day celebration all things beer.

**DEC 7-12 HOLIDAY MAGIC** The annual tradition offering a rare opportunity to expereince the historic Bonnet House & Museum decked out for the holidays at night

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3BR/3.5 BATH NE CORNER WITH OUTSTANDING VIEWS OF THE RIVER, OCEAN & CITY. DESIGNER FINISHES, GOURMET KITCHEN, POGGENPOHL CABINETS, GRANITE COUNTER TOPS, MARBLE BATHS, 2 TERRACES & LAUNDRY ROOM.

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#### PRICE REDUCED BRADFORD - \$769,000

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#### PRICE REDUCED **COLUMBUS - \$949,000**

COMPLETELY CUSTOMIZED COLUMBUS MODEL. STUNNING 2 BR/ 3 BATH FEATURING INTERIORS DESIGNED WITH THE HIGHEST QUALITY FINISHES. PRIVATE ENTRY WITH GLASS DOUBLE DOORS. MARBLE FLOORS THROUGHOUT, A WET BAR WITH ONYX LIT INLAYS, BUILT IN WALL UNITS, UPGRADED FIXTURES, VANITIES & GLASS DOORS IN BATHROOMS.

#### **GRAMERCY - \$895,000**

RARELY AVAILABLE 2 BR/2.5 BATH LOCATED IN THE MOST PRIVATE WING OF THE RIVER HOUSE. OUTSTANDING VIEWS OF THE OCEAN, RIVER AND LAS OLAS. PRIVATE ELEVATOR FOYER ENTRY, MARBLE FLOORS THROUGHOUT. CROWN MOLDING, BEAUTIFUL LIGHT FIXTURES, 2 WALK-IN CLOSETS BUILT OUT, CUSTOM WINDOW TREATMENTS AND MUCH MORE.

#### CHELSEA - \$775,000

FABULOUS RIVER AND POOL VIEWS FROM THIS BEAUTIFULLY DECORATED 18TH FLOOR CHELSEA MODEL. MANY UPGRADES INCLUDING OPEN GOURMET KITCHEN DESIGN WITH CUSTOM BAR, DESIGNER LIGHTING, ITALIAN DOORS THROUGHOUT AND BUILT-IN CLOSET. SEMI PRIVATE ELEVATOR FOYER AND LARGE RIVERFRONT BALCONY.





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#### **ROYAL PALM - \$389,000**

2 BEDROOM, 2 BATH SPLIT BEDROOM FLOOR PLAN. MARBLE FLOORING IN THE LIVING AREA, OPEN GOURMET KITCHEN, GRANITE COUNTERTOPS, LARGE MASTER BEDROOM, MARBLE FLOORING AND MORE.

#### PRICE REDUCED FIESTA - \$329,900

HIGH FLOOR 1BEDROOM, 1BATH WITH BIG CITY VIEWS. TILE THROUGHOUT, OPEN GOURMET KITCHEN, S/S APPLIANCES & MUCH MORE.



#### **RIVERSIDE - \$689,000**

"01" RIVERSIDE MODEL 2/2 + DEN / FRENCH DOORS, FRESHLY PAINTED NEUTRALS, GOURMET KITCHEN, STAINLESS STEEL APPLIANCES, TILE FLOORS THROUGHOUT, SEPARATE LAUNDRY ROOM AND MUCH MORE.

#### **SEAVIEW - \$619,000**

SPACIOUS 3 BR/2 BATH WITH PANORAMIC VIEWS OF THE NEW RIVER, OCEAN, CITY & SUNSETS FROM BOTH BALCONIES. SPACIOUS GOURMET KITCHEN, S/S APPLIANCES, CUSTOM CLOSETS, NEW FLOOR TO CEILING WINDOWS AND MORE.

#### NEW LISTING

#### **STARDUST - \$595,000**

2BEDROOM, 2 BATH WITH OUTSTANDING RIVER, OCEAN & CITY VIEWS. CUSTOM WINDOW TREATMENTS, SPLIT FLOOR PLAN AND MUCH MORE.

#### **SKYVIEW - \$499,000**

HIGH FLOOR 2 BEDROOM, 2 BATH WITH OVER \$60K IN UPGRADES, ONE OF A KIND REMODEL MODERN DESIGN! ITALIAN PORCELAIN FLOORING.

#### **SKYVIEW - \$459,000**

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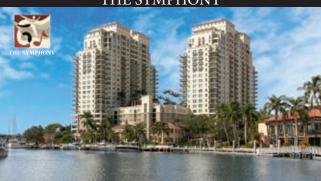
#### NEW LISTING SKYVIEW - \$449,000

2 BEDROOM, 2 BATH LOCATED ON THE 21ST FLOOR. WOOD FLOORING THROUGHOUT, GOURMET KITCHEN, RIVER VIEWS AND MORE.

#### NEW LISTING SUNGARDEN - \$315,000

1 BEDROOM, 1 BATH WITH CITY & RIVER VIEWS. GOURMET KITCHEN, GRANITE COUNTERS, CERAMIC TILE THROUGHOUT AND MORE.

#### THE SYMPHONY



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#### 3BR/2 BATH - \$719,000

3 BEDROOM, 2.5 BATHS RARELY AVAILABLE SOUTHEAST CORNER UNIT WITH DIRECT RIVER VIEWS, WRAP AROUND BALCONY, 2 PRIME PARKING SPACES, GOURMET KITCHEN, S/S APPLIANCES AND MUCH MORE.

#### PRICE REDUCED 2BR/2 BATH - \$359,000

GREAT NORTHWEST CORNER CONCERTO 4 IN THE NORTH TOWER. FEATURES INCLUDE GOURMET KITCHEN, S/S APPLIANCES, TILE THROUGHOUT, HURRICANE IMPACT RESISTANT WINDOWS AND MORE.

#### PRICE REDUCED 2BR/2 BATH - \$319,500

FABULOUS VIEWS OF THE RIVER AND DOWNTOWN FORT LAUDERDALE. SPLIT FLOOR PLAN, GE APPLIANCES, DARK CHERRY WOOD FLOORS AND MORE.



BY JOHN ROPES Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale Chair



# **FALL IN FORT LAUDERDALE**

THE BEGINNING OF RIVERWALK'S HIGH TOURIST SEASON, ENHANCING OUR PARKS FOR TOURISTS AND RESIDENTS, AND AS ALWAYS, SPECTACULAR EVENTS

o other city in America rivals the unique advantages bestowed upon us in Fort Lauderdale.

We have a vibrant Downtown, centrally located and just minutes to Fort Lauderdale Beach, the Fort Lauderdale-Hollywood International Airport, and Port Everglades. Trip Advisor rates Fort Lauderdale Beach ninth out of the 25 best beaches in the U.S. in 2019.

The Fort Lauderdale-Hollywood International Airport is ever-expanding to accommodate the 36 million domestic and international passengers passing through it. This helps to make our great city a diverse hub of visitors from all over the world — as does Port Everglades, which is the third largest cruise port in the world.

One of the things that makes Fort Lauderdale so special is Riverwalk Linear Park, the beautiful brick winding walkway and greenway that hugs the New River and transports pedestrians and bike riders alike. To improve our Riverwalk Linear Park and adjacent parks that pepper the Riverwalk corridor, the Downtown Development Authority, along with the City of Fort Lauderdale, has brought in an Urban Land Institute Advisory Panel to evaluate our parks and advise how they may be enhanced through our Parks

and Recreation Bond Initiative. Their goal is to provide more utilization and enhance recreation programs for our community and visitors. Riverwalk Trust is deeply involved with this endeavor and is initiating a study of its own to elevate the parks to the highest standards.

As an example of this, The Levitt Foundation, a non-profit organization bringing outdoor concert pavilions and entertainment to cities across the country, is negotiating to have a bandstand constructed next to the Broward Center for the Performing Arts in Esplanade Park. This venue is exciting for the Riverwalk area, because it will bring people not only to Esplanade Park but also to the vast amenities around it, such as the Museum of Discovery and Science, the Broward Center for the Performing Arts, the History Center, and other local businesses.

We hope you join us for the numerous events happening Downtown and along the Riverwalk all month long. A few of the upcoming events include the 10th Annual Day of the Dead Celebration on Nov. 2, the 14th Annual Mutts & Martinis on Nov. 9 at Huizenga Plaza, and the Get Lit Light Up Lauderdale ceremony in Esplanade Park on Nov. 14.





#### **ENTERTAINMENT**

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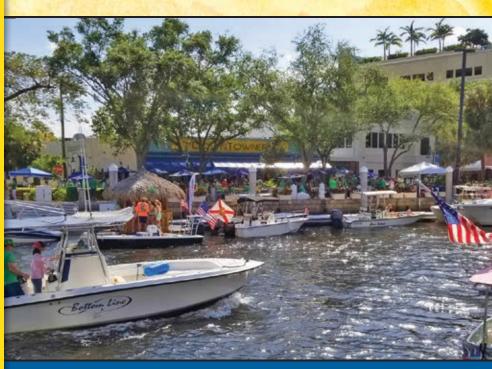
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FROM THE BIG BOAT SHOW TO THE WORKING HARBOR, MARINE BUSINESS STEERS OUR ECONOMY

ater is one of the primary elements to life in Fort Lauderdale. Our waterways act as an enormous economic engine to our city from boat captains, pipe benders, sailmakers, marinas to transportation – both commercial and for pleasure.

We welcomed the 60th Annual Fort Lauderdale International Boat Show (FLIBS) on Oct. 30 through Nov. 3 – bigger and better every year! The annual show is always full of culinary experiences and seminars, and we are seeing more special events tied to the duration of the show including the opportunity for many new and unique experiences.

Known as the Yachting Capital of the World, Fort Lauderdale offers a plethora of options for residents and visitors. On the water the options are great and varied from small boat rides, free boat rides, tiki bar rides, water taxis, waterway cruises to cruise ship vacations. Offered locally are renowned ship builders, designers of state of the art electronics and specialty equipment for all size vessels. Products and accessories are part of the nautical life and the options for finding those unique things is here in our city.

I find it fascinating that a boat owner can discover custom fishing rods and gear as well as a portable bicycle to use when arriving back at port. Waterproof, high-resolution cameras are available along with the coolest sunglasses or other trendy options. Needless to say – the



waterways are well used in our community and are an economic driver that is sometimes overlooked. From dock designers/builders to lifts and from swim gear to dive gear – you can find and do it all here.

As a working harbor, Port Everglades offers ocean freight transportation, including the transports of vessels by sea aboard other vessels, cargo transport, pilot boats that lead large vessels in and out of our port. The port is the landing spot for vessels and ships coming from the islands and other locations as a customs clearing location.

A sampling of jobs in the marine industry that can be found locally includes:

marine construction estimator, marine vibration technician, duty harbormaster, terminal operation shipping clerk, machinist, quality control specialist electronics technician, yacht carpenter, business manager, marine diver, mechanical engineer, towing and salvage captain, marine surveyor, travel lift operator, diesel technician, brokerage sales representative, chef, mate, accounting manager, captain, steward and many more.

We are most fortunate to live in this community – surrounded by water and the many opportunities it offers us. Get out on the waterway!



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■ I am a CPA and principal with MBAF, the largest CPA and consulting firm based in Florida. The firm provides audit, tax, consulting and risk advisory services to public and private

businesses in almost every industry.

I have been extremely active in the community for many years. Currently, I serve on the boards of Joe DiMaggio Children's Hospital and the Memorial Hospital Foundations; Business for the Arts of Broward; Downtown Fort Lauderdale Transportation Management Association (Sun Trolley); the FLITE Center; and Broward Days. In addition, I am the chairman of the audit committee of ChildNet and the audit committee of the Florida Bar Foundation. Of course, as a CPA, I serve as the treasurer on most of them!

My prior service includes the audit committees of the Broward County School Board and Broward Health; serving on the boards of Bonnet House, Rebuilding Together Broward, National Multiple Sclerosis Society of South Florida, as well as serving as the vice-chair of finance for the Greater Fort Lauderdale Chamber of Commerce for four years.

Professionally, I am currently a trustee of the Main and South PAC's of the Florida Institute of Certified Public Accountants (FICPA) and a past statewide chair of the FICPA. Also, I served for 10 years as a member of the governing council of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA).

In our spare time, my wife Kip Hunter-Epstein (CEO of Kip Hunter Marketing) and I can usually be found on the golf course or at a sporting event. We reside in Downtown Fort Lauderdale.

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DONNA MCKEOWN MORTGAGE NETWORK

• I am from the Northeast and currently live in the Boston area for the nice weather part of the year (which is getting shorter and shorter, the older I get!). I have family in Fort Lauderdale, so I have been coming down for a long time. A

couple of years ago I made the leap and bought a place in Victoria Park that I absolutely love and am migrating toward being a full-time resident.

I've been in the mortgage industry for 15 years and have been with Mortgage Network Inc. for the past six years where I am one of the top loan originators in the company. I am licensed in Florida and hope to secure a footprint in the Fort Lauderdale area. Mortgage Network Inc. is a privately held mortgage company with offices all up and down the East Coast. We do residential mortgages for home purchases and refinances, jumbo portfolio financing and have the flexibility to handle unique situations. Buying a primary residence, second home or investment property is a huge event, and I, as a loan officer, am a hand holder and treat every borrower as if they were part of my family.

I joined Riverwalk to get more involved in the community, contribute as much as possible and make new personal and business friends. I've attended and enjoyed some events already and recently volunteered at the Fall Festival ... crazy good attendance! I'm very much looking forward to continuing to participate and to meeting more of you.

TO JOIN, VISIT: WWW.GORIVERWALK.COM/MEMBERSHIP



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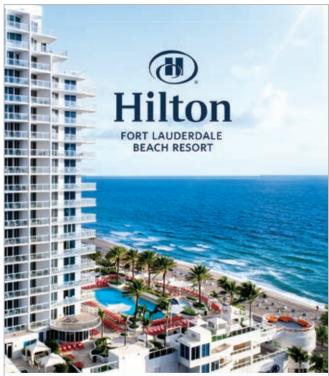
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## **RIVERWALK FALL FESTIVAL**

Fall was in the air on Saturday, Sept. 21, at the Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale Fall Festival at Esplanade Park. Children enjoyed playing games, working on arts and crafts and painting pumpkins, always the fan favorite. Live music and theater delighted the crowd of thousands while they shopped for arts and crafts and enjoyed food options from food trucks to roasted corn. With entertainment from pumpkin smashing to face painting to a dunk tank, there was something for everyone to enjoy fall's arrival in Fort Lauderdale.



Riverwalk Fall Festival



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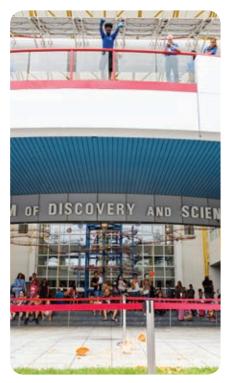


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# **GET READY TO LIGHT UP THE HOLIDAYS!**

he City of Fort Lauderdale and the Black Treatment Advocates Network (BTAN) of Broward County will team up once again to make holiday dreams come true for thousands of children in Fort Lauderdale when they host a massive free toy giveaway as part of the City's 13th Annual Light Up Sistrunk event.

This year's holiday extravaganza will take place on Friday, Dec. 6 from 5 to 9 p.m. along historic Sistrunk Boulevard from Northwest Ninth Avenue to Northwest 11th Avenue.

The free high-profile event annually attracts thousands of attendees to the heart and soul of Fort Lauderdale to kick off the holiday season, while showcasing outstanding entertainment, arts and culture. Light Up Sistrunk raises awareness and visibility for businesses along the Sistrunk corridor and builds community by bringing together







residents, neighbors, and visitors of all ages to celebrate the rich history and traditions of Fort Lauderdale's historic Northwest community.

Highlights of Light Up Sistrunk will include the BTAN Holiday Wonderland where Santa's helpers will greet children with toys ranging from skateboards, action heroes and footballs to dolls, bracelets and accessories. After receiving their gifts, children will have an opportunity to visit and have their photo taken with jolly ole St. Nick!

In addition to the toy giveaway, Light Up Sistrunk will feature the best in local entertainment highlighted by the Fort Lauderdale Kuumba Dancers, PLAY Chorus, and the award-winning Dillard High Jazz Ensemble. The event will also include the spectacular illumination of a giant holiday tree complete with fireworks, as well as an expanded family zone featuring a hands-on reptile exhibit, bounce houses, inflatable slides, mechanical rides, arts and crafts, face painting, game trucks and a DJ area for teens.

BTAN and its community partners will also sponsor a wellness area at Light Up Sistrunk to provide free health screenings, information on disease prevention and treatment, and access to community providers and resources.

We'd like to thank BTAN for their exemplary contributions, generosity and support. This event is all about giving back to the community and there is no better way to spread the spirit of the season than by ensuring our neighborhood kids have gifts for the holidays. BTAN has been a tremendous community partner and we look forward to continuing to enhance this outstanding funfilled holiday tradition on Sistrunk Boulevard.

Our holiday celebration continues one week after Light Up Sistrunk, when the City of Fort Lauderdale hosts Light Up Carter Park on Saturday, Dec. 14. The free event will take place from 3 to 7:00 p.m. at Joseph C. Carter Park, located at 1450 W. Sunrise Blvd.

The free, family-oriented event has gotten bigger and better each year. We invite everyone to come out and join us for fellowship and holiday cheer along with food, family fun and entertainment. Highlights include live performances from local artists, bounce houses, train rides, face painters, holiday crafts, prizes and more. The celebration culminates with the annual lighting of the Carter Park Giant Holiday Tree!

So, mark your calendars and make plans to join us as we celebrate the holidays together! For details, visit www.fortlauderdale.gov. @



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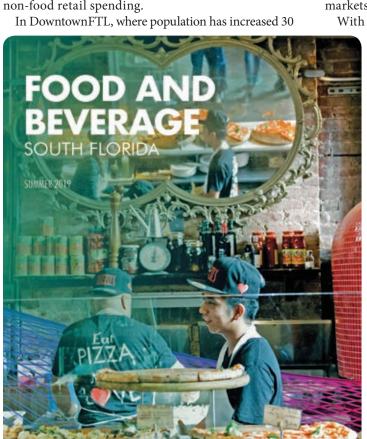
# **BUT REALLY, WHO WANTS TO COOK?**

HOW DEMOGRAPHIC AND ECONOMIC SHIFTS ARE HELPING THE FOOD & BEVERAGE INDUSTRY

ome eat to live, and others live to eat. But one fact remains: we all need to eat and boy do we! If you haven't noticed that all the new development in DowntownFTL has brought with it a surge of dining options, then you're focusing on all the wrong things.

At the October DDA board meeting, Brandon Isner, leader of market research and insights for CBRE Inc., engaged our board of directors in a fascinating discussion on how Americans, and South Floridians in particular, are spending their money on food.

According to CBRE, Americans spent more than \$700 billion in restaurants last year amounting to a 58 percent increase since 2009. Just over three years ago, restaurant spending surpassed grocery spending for the first time in the U.S. and is continuing to outpace non-food retail spending.



percent in the past five years, there's an interesting dynamic at play on the demographic spectrum. "Quality of food and the experience in a restaurant are the top factors that drive a successful establishment," said Tim Petrillo, DDA board member and co-founder of The Restaurant People. "While great food is paramount for both baby boomers and millennials, the overall experience is far more important to the millennials."

The 2019 U.S. Food in Demand Series by CBRE predicts that millennials will be the biggest spenders in restaurants within 10 years. They also report that Fort Lauderdale has added close to 14,000 office jobs since June 2018 and we've experienced a "brain-gain" of nearly 3,400 tech jobs in the last five years. This puts Fort Lauderdale as one of only 15 North American markets to grow in that category.

With 4,600 residential units under construction

in DowntownFTL, and an influx of young professionals coming to the City for high quality jobs, restaurateurs can look forward to establishing a strong local brand presence within Fort Lauderdale.

But it's not just residents and employees who are driving F&B business. As we know, South Florida's mark as a domestic and international tourist hotspot certainly helps. CBRE estimates that the 44 million visitors who visited SoFlo in 2018 spent on average \$315 per person on food and beverage during their stay. In Broward, visitors contributed to more than 40 percent of the \$4.5 billion in restaurant spending last year. That's good news for our Transportation Surtax revenue, no doubt!

So where do you dine in DowntownFTL? What restaurant choices do you want to see more of and how have your food trends changed as DowntownFTL becomes a city on the rise? We want to hear from you. The first 10 readers to email us at dda@ddaftl.org with a photo and caption of their favorite dining experience will receive a \$20 gift card to a DowntownFTL restaurant of your choice. Bon appétit!

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# THE FORT LAUDERDALE THAT LOCALS KNOW

LIVING IN A TOP TOURIST DESTINATION HAS ITS OWN PARTICULAR JOYS

ne of my family members once asked me what it's like to live in a such a busy tourist area and at the time, I thought she was referring to how much fun it would be daily. But, when pressed harder, she was really talking about all the people that would come into town at random, all the traffic, all the noise, and all the general disarray that comes with tourism.

I thought this was interesting given she lives in Houston — one of the largest cities in the United States, with some of the worst traffic congestion in the nation (anyone been on the 610 loop lately), and a city that is no stranger to its own influx of tourists every year. But, as much as I love my cousin, she's missing the point. It's great living in one of the hot beds of tourism.

We get to wake up to year-round weather that other parts of the world can only dream of. Yeah, it gets hot here in summer and it rains from time to time. But, a lot of people would take a hot summer over a frigid winter any day of the week. And, except for a couple days ago, I can't recall when it's rained for an entire day.

The winters here are exceptional as well. You get a taste of cold winter temperatures without all the ice having to be scraped off your car, which is only after you have moved your car from one side of the street to the

other so the snow blower can clear the road. And if you have your own driveway, you'd be out with your own snow blower to clear that as well.

Bloomberg lists Fort Lauderdale as one of the 21 places to go in 2019. We're listed right up there with Kenya, Chile, Hong Kong, Norway, Paris, and believe it or not, Houston, among the many other amazing places in the world ... THE WORLD... to go see. We get international tourists every month — interesting people who speak foreign languages and who are trying to escape their parts of the world to experience an amazing beach and a growing and fascinating downtown. With our access to water sports, sunbathing (pretty much year-round), and an amazing and growing nightlife, Fort Lauderdale is making the top list for many family vacations.

But the thing I like most about living in Fort Lauderdale is the ability to get away from the tourism if you like. Sure, you can go to museums, take in a show, go to the busy parts of the beach, or go out for a night on the town. But you live here, so you don't have to do any of those things. If I go to the beach it's to grab a drink at Park and Ocean. If I go out to eat with friends, it's to local places like Shuck and Dive or Jalisco's.

The best parts of Fort Lauderdale are the parts

you all know for yourselves. A lot of people think of Fort Lauderdale in the same way they think of Disney World. That Florida is only about tourism. We make our lives here and we live it day to day, so we know better.

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treets, inclusive of sidewalks, are one of, if not, the most important pieces of the public domain. Throughout history, streets have been the key to social cohesion and the life of the community, serving as a place you can meet and greet your neighbors and as an extension of children's playgrounds. And, of course, streets are used for both utilitarian and recreational transportation.

With all this in mind, the City's Transportation Division has attempted to return to what streets were always meant to be: an important piece of infrastructure for physical and mental health, as well as a path to prosperity that provides access to destinations including workplaces and educational facilities.

As a Vision Zero city centered on livability and safe, complete streets, it is no wonder that we align so well with the ultimate goal of the Blue Zones and Degree Deodorant's Made To Move grant program: to promote more walkable, bikeable, transit-friendly environments for all ages, incomes, and abilities. Out of 47 applicants, the City of Fort Lauderdale was selected as one of only five cities nationwide to receive a \$100,000 Made To Move grant to implement a project that improves people's ability to be active.

The City's project will enhance connections between the Flagler Greenway and the community in the Music and Arts South of Sunrise (MASS) District, as well as increase multimodal parking availability and wayfinding. The Flagler Greenway is a separated multi-use trail adjacent to the Florida East Coast Railway that starts at Sunrise Boulevard along North Flagler Drive and ends at the Broward County Transit Station. Our ultimate goal is to enhance access to the Flagler Greenway to realize an increase in physical activity and usage of the greenway for health and safety.

Increasing safe opportunities for physical activity is critical to the health of people in Fort Lauderdale. Fort Lauderdale's health indicators and outcomes consistently show a higher prevalence of health risks associated with physical inactivity when compared with figures from the State of Florida and other U.S. cities. Data from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention illustrates that Fort Lauderdale has a higher age-adjusted prevalence of no leisure-time physical activity (27.4) than the U.S. (23.7) and higher obesity prevalence (28.1) than Florida (27.4). The City also has higher age-adjusted prevalence for high blood pressure, high cholesterol and coronary heart disease in comparison to Florida and the U.S. A contribution to these high rates could be the lack of access to safe, comfortable facilities that promote physical activity

> both recreational and for daily trips and an overall appeal to bring people outside to celebrate our neighbors and the beauty of our City.

On our way to achieve a healthier Fort Lauderdale, we must continue creating more safe, complete streets. A healthier Fort Lauderdale will encourage healthy, enjoyable active modes of transportation that bring families and friends outside and move people around the City. Imagine a fun afternoon riding bikes to the beach, Riverwalk, or one of the City's many outstanding parks! Or, walk to have smoothies or lunch with your kids, a date or friends. We are Made To Move — your life and well-being depend on it!

To learn more about the Made to Move project and follow the progress, visit www.fortlauderdale.gov/visionzero.







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# **GET READY TO LIGHT UP THE HOLIDAYS**

CELEBRATE THROUGHOUT THE CITY WITH A SELECTION OF EVENTS

ort Lauderdale brings you an outstanding lineup of special events as we light up our City for the holidays. Mark your calendars and make plans to join us for these spectacular celebrations!

#### **Light Up Lauderdale**

The holiday season officially kicks off as Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale hosts the popular Get Lit event on Thursday, Nov. 14, from 6 to 8:30 p.m. The event also marks the launch of Light Up Lauderdale — an annual 10-week celebration of sparkling holiday lights along the banks of the scenic New River. Join us at Esplanade Park, located at 400 S.W. Second St., for live holiday musical performances, train rides, kids' crafts, face painting, a visit by Santa and more!

#### Light Up the Galt

The magic of the holiday season comes to the Galt Ocean Mile on Thursday, Nov. 21, from 6 to 10 p.m. The North Beach Restaurants and Shoppes and the City of Fort Lauderdale present an enchanted evening of live music, entertainment, food and fun for the entire family. The event features live bands on two stages along Northeast 33rd Street, a kids' zone and orchestra at Northeast 32nd Avenue and Northeast 32nd Street, plus food and drink specials from more than 15 restaurants and bars. A tree lighting ceremony takes place at 7 p.m.



#### **Light Up the Beach**

Light Up the Beach takes center stage on Tuesday, Nov. 26, from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. with the illumination of more than 50,000 holiday lights along our picturesque beachfront and the return of "Olas," our wildly popular larger-than-life 20-foot beach snowman at A1A and Las Olas Boulevard. Highlights include performances by the Yuletide Carolers, jazz saxophonist Randy Corinthian, the Fort Lauderdale Symphonic Winds, plus a kids' zone with Santa, inflatables, slides, pony rides and more.



#### **Light Up Sistrunk**

Get ready for dancing in the streets at hottest holiday light up event in town with Light Up Sistrunk on Friday, Dec. 6, from 5 to 9 p.m. This event takes place on Sistrunk Boulevard between Northwest 9th and 11th Avenues. This one-of-a-kind celebration features live bands, outstanding entertainment, a free toy giveaway, health fair, a kid's zone, photos with Santa, plus bounce houses, game trucks and the lighting of a giant holiday tree!



#### Light Up Carter Park

Enjoy holiday cheer at Light Up Carter Park on Saturday, Dec. 14, from 3 to 7 p.m. Highlights include live performances from local artists, bounce houses, train rides, face painters, holiday crafts, prizes and more. Carter Park is located at 1450 W. Sunrise Boulevard. The free celebration culminates with the lighting of the Carter Park Holiday Tree!



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real estate developer friend was in town recently from New York. He hadn't visited since last November so there were several new developments in the area I couldn't wait to show off. We visited new bars in the MASS District neighborhood as well as the Dalmar hotel — all met with his enthusiastic approval. At the end of his visit I offered to take him to the airport, noting that it was only a 15-minute drive away for me; and he pointed out that the airport's proximity was one of the reasons that Fort Lauderdale has become one of the country's most desirable places to visit.

It got me thinking ... flying into Broward County's Fort Lauderdale-Hollywood International Airport (FLL)







is a seamless way to travel. I meet people every year in Miami Beach at Art Basel who choose to fly in to FLL instead of Miami because of convenience.

And the numbers agree. For the past two years, FLL has been named the fastest-growing airport in North America by the aviation statistic and analysis firm OAG.

On Oct. 1, following an extensive rehabilitation, FLL reopened its north runway, parts of which date back to 1943, when the airport was a naval air station during World War II. In addition to the runway's structural improvements, it now also has a new 445-foot long outdoor mural by artist Peter Agardy titled "In Flight."

The mural provides a welcoming and captivating vista for passengers on taxiing airplanes as well as for visitors driving on the west side of Perimeter Road. Installed on the airport's corrugated metal jet blast deflector, a safety device that redirects high-energy exhaust from airplanes away from the surrounding area, the mural is an excellent example of how public art can be employed to visually transform essential infrastructure.

Located at the west end of the north runway, this engaging public artwork depicts scenes from Florida's natural habitats juxtaposed with images of modern flight travel and patriotic symbols.

"This amazing artwork will provide travelers with a unique FLL welcome," said Mark Gale, the airport's CEO and director of aviation. "Believed to be the first of its kind on an airport runway, 'In Flight' is a beautiful representation of Florida's nature connected with modern day air travel."

The mural begins with Florida's iconic sailfish surrounded by a small school of flying fish skipping on the water, which gives way to an egret in flight and leads to the city skyline. It concludes with boldly painted imagery of the American flag and bald eagle.

"We are thrilled to be a part of this airport enhancement project that enthusiastically supports both the arts and awareness of the environment," said Phil Dunlap, director of Broward Cultural Division.

While my friend didn't accept my offer to drive him to the airport, he did, however, text me from his seat with an image of the freshly painted jet blast deflector and a message that said, "See, I told you ... Fort Lauderdale is about to take off. Pun intended."

I smiled to myself and replied, "I know. We've been working on it."

"In Flight" by artist Peter Agardy

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BY DAN LINDBLADE
President/CEO,
Greater Fort Lauderdale Chamber of Commerce



# THE BROWARD BUSINESS COMMUNITY GOES TO WASHINGTON

LOCAL LEADERS ADVOCATE FOR SEVEN COMMUNITY NEEDS

very now and then, it is up to the public to remind political leaders of the particular needs of their communities. For some, lobbying is a crass means of buying off politicians. The truth, though, is that maintaining good relations with elected officials is essential to ensuring our community doesn't lose out in the fierce competition for limited governmental resources.

The Greater Fort Lauderdale Chamber of Commerce just concluded its 2019 Washington Summit, a four-day visit to the nation's capital in which local business leaders and elected officials met with members of Congress and the Trump Administration to advocate for key projects that will ultimately benefit our city, county and the greater South Florida region.

Every two years, the chamber embarks on a summit to make its case on behalf of our community. In preparation, various committees analyze important community needs and narrow these issues down to a select group of "asks" that we take to Washington.

This year, we focused on seven priority issues. We asked our congressional allies and policymakers to:

- Increase funding and expand U.S. Army Corps of Engineers "New Start" designations to move the Port Everglades dredging project from planning to construction phase.
- Establish a Pell Grant program for short-term training programs to ensure that college students can afford certification and other job-training courses that lead to employment.
- Initiate a U.S. Army Corps of Engineers re-study to evaluate and address changes in conditions that impact the performance of the South Florida floodcontrol system.

- Pass legislation to ease the looming physician shortage by adding more Medicare-supported medical resident training positions among the nation's teaching hospitals.
- Increase funding for additional Customs and Border Patrol officers to improve overall operations at Port Everglades and the Fort Lauderdale Hollywood International Airport.
- Pass long-term re-authorization of the National Flood Insurance Program to provide continuous coverage that recognizes both NFIP and private flood policies.
- Create a pilot program for Metropolitan Planning Organizations in urban areas to directly receive 50 percent of their federal Surface Transportation Block Grant allocations.

Almost all of these concerns take time to wind their way through the legislative process. For example, our group spent years lobbying to first get the Port Everglades dredging project authorized and then slated for funding to pay for design and environmental impact studies. Now, we're pushing to get it scheduled for funding to begin construction. It takes time and patience.

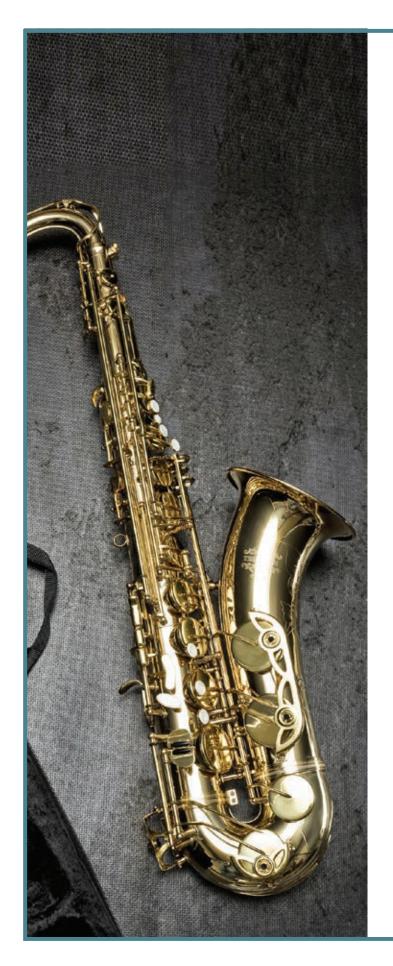
Sometimes, reforms are held up over budgetary concerns. Unfortunately, worries over federal spending has forced teaching hospitals, like Broward Health, to use precious local resources instead of federal Medicaid money to keep their residency programs operating. Healthcare is a key issue here, which is why the chamber has been in the forefront of putting on programs like the Perspectives on Florida's Healthcare, an informative half-day conference on Thursday, Nov. 7, at the Signature Grand in Davie.

It is important that the business community has a voice

that is heard. The business sector represents commerce, employment, industrial growth opportunities, not to mention tax revenue for local, state and federal governments. Business growth fuels community growth, as clearly evidenced by what we have seen and experienced in the Greater Fort Lauderdale area.

The Washington Summit allows the business community, city and county officials and nonprofit administrators to get to know our allies in the federal government and maintain healthy working relationships that sustain South Florida as a great place to live, work and play.







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66 There are two kinds of music. Good music, and the other kind.

**DUKE ELLINGTON** 

BY PHIL PURCELL
CEO/President, Marine Industries Association of South Florida
Writer Kelly Skidmore



## **EXPLORE ANOTHER SHORE**

TROPICAL ISLANDS TO THE SOUTHEAST ARE OPEN AND READY TO WELCOME VISITORS

n 2018, Florida set a new tourism record for the eighth consecutive year by welcoming 126.1 million out-of-state visitors. While Floridians are well-acquainted with the importance of tourism on the state's economy, it doesn't always prevent complaints that can be silently, or loudly, hurled at the traffic-gods and restaurant hostesses during "the season."

As the state's No. 1 industry, though, a weak tourist season can have a devastating ripple effect, impacting jobs, personal income, the state budget, and economic development growth, as experienced by people living in the panhandle even a year after Hurricane Michael leveled some coastal towns there.

Because of this first-hand knowledge, both residents and tourists have an opportunity to make an impact on Florida's island neighbors in the Bahamas, where recovery from Hurricane Dorian in places like the Abacos and Grand Bahama may continue for years, but many of the other 700 islands are open and eager for visitors. Despite an immediate and enormous humanitarian response to send medical personnel, food, water, clothing and other needed supplies, one of the best ways to help the country recover is to vacation there.

Places like **Nassau/Paradise Island**, where the famed Atlantis hotel and water park complex is located, are fully opened for business. Experience a rich island culture at the Straw Market, Fish Fry restaurant collection, and wide stretches of beautiful golden sand beaches.

World-renowned for bone fishing and diving, **Andros** is one of the largest islands and one of the least developed in the Bahamas, making it the perfect home for several nature preserves, bird watching destinations, and blue holes. It's also where to find the secluded Kamalame Cay Resort, which offers peaceful villas facing the calm water and is the ideal location to experience the special island's natural wonders.

Great Exuma, Little Exuma and The Exuma Cays — collectively called **The Exumas** — are a 100-mile chain of about 365 islands that epitomize paradise with stretches of secluded beaches and turquoise waters and are home to the famous and much-photographed swimming pigs. Located on Great Exuma Island is the capital city of Georgetown, a favorite spot of yacht owners, with an intriguing history and vibrant boating lifestyle.

Located just 50 miles off the coast of Florida, **Bimini** is a peaceful, quaint getaway with a mix of adventure that exudes uniqueness, vibrancy and Bahamian authenticity. Popular on-island activities include scuba diving, deep-sea fishing, kayaking, snorkeling, and hiking through the Bimini Nature Trail.

**Rum Cay**, the Bahamas best-kept secret, is an outisland gem with 60 full-time residents, prominent for historical ruins, lush landscape, pink sand beaches, and incredible paddle boarding, conch-hunting, fishing, and even kitesurfing, on the north coast of the island.

While Grand Bahama and The Abacos, the second-

and third-most-visited Bahamian island destinations, continue their recovery efforts and look forward to opening hotels and airports soon, there are many islands in the Bahamas that remain pristine destinations for rest and relaxation, diving, snorkeling, fishing, dining and dancing. Taking a romantic getaway, a girls/guys weekend, or a family vacation will not only be restorative to the visitor, it will ensure the Bahamas, and all it collectively has to offer, will continue to thrive and its residents will weather this particular storm with a little help from their friends. 19



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# FROM TOWN TO TOWN, I "GETAROUND"

GETAROUND APP HELPS TRAVELERS NAVIGATE THEIR CITY

ack in 2009, a group of San Francisco app designers strived to answer the question, "What is the next big thing in transportation?"

No, we're not talking about Uber or Lyft ... this transportation app is Getaround, and it launched in June in Fort Lauderdale.

Getaround works as a way for car owners to share their cars with drivers who need them while also cutting down on "car overpopulation" to better impact the planet.

"Getaround empowers people to instantly rent and drive great cars shared by people in their city," says Nick Chong, Getaround's general manager for the Fort Lauderdale and Miami area.

After downloading the Getaround App on a smartphone, users can sign up to either register their car to be rented out by those in their area or rent a registered car themselves by the hour or for the entire day. Powered by Getaround Connect, Getaround's own patented app technology, users looking to rent a car only need to log into the app, select the car they want to rent, and then unlock the car of your choosing all with the Getaround App.

Drivers can choose from a variety or cars like a Prius for a quick errand, a pick-up truck for a big move, or even a Tesla to go on a weekend getaway. Rented cars are also insured and come with 24/7 roadside assistance.

"By using the Getaround app, people skip the lines and paperwork at traditional rental car counters, and the hassle of buying and maintaining a car," Chong said. The only requirements of users before joining the carsharing community is they must be over 19 years old with no major violations or alcohol/drug related incidents in the past three to seven years.

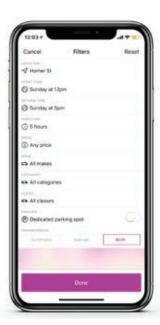
Carsharing is an easy and affordable way to get around, and it's good for the environment. According to a study by the University of California Transportation Sustainability Research Center, every shared car takes about 10 personal vehicles out of traffic and for every 1,000 vehicles shared, up to 50 million pounds of carbon dioxide is kept out of the air. So, if you're looking for a safe and environmentally friendly alternative to other ridesharing apps such as Uber or Lyft, Getaround is a great option for your travel needs. "Getaround unlocks the freedom for users to get going," Chong said. "

#### Small Business Stats GETAROUND APP

Year established: 2009

Founders: Sam Zaid, Elliot Kroo and Jessica Scorpio

**Launched in South Florida:** June 2019 **Current users:** 5 million globally **Website:** www.getaround.com









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Enjoy live holiday musical performances, pony rides, kids crafts, face painting, vendors, food, drinks and more.









# QUESTIONS? THE PROPERTY APPRAISER'S OFFICE HAS ANSWERS

HOMESTEAD EXEMPTIONS ... ESCROW ADJUSTMENTS ... PROPERTY TAX BILLS — GIVE THEM A CALL

ur office receives numerous calls every year asking us to confirm property tax exemptions on the recent tax bills. The Property Appraiser's Office does not set your tax rates or collect property taxes.

We assess property for tax purposes and grant tax-saving exemptions to qualified individuals. The property tax bills are mailed by the Broward County Tax Collector's Office. If you have questions regarding the payment of your tax bill, please contact their office at 954.831.4000 or visit their website at https://www.broward.org/RecordsTaxesTreasury

#### Where is my 2020 Homestead Exemption?

The tax bill you received this November from the Broward County Tax Collector is for the 2019 tax year. If you purchased your home in 2019 and the previous owners of your new home were entitled to and received Homestead Exemption or any other exemption on Jan. 1, 2019, you may have inherited their exemptions on your 2019 property tax bill. Florida Statutes require these 2019 exemptions be removed for 2020 and the property be reassessed at the 2020 just value. This will often result in an increase in your 2020 property taxes so it is important you apply for 2020 Homestead Exemption and any other exemptions for which you may qualify. Your new 2020 Homestead Exemption will be reflected next year on all 2020 property records, notices and tax bills. Any exemptions applied to the tax bill are totaled

and shown in the third column "Exemptions" on the individual tax bill.

If you have any questions regarding your Homestead Exemption or other tax-saving exemptions, please contact our Customer Service Department at (954) 357-6830.

#### **Escrow Adjustments for 2019 Tax Bills**

Our office often receives calls from property owners inquiring about their escrow and mortgage payments. The Property Appraiser's Office does not handle anything related to the financing of property. If you make monthly escrow payments for your property taxes, your mortgage or escrow company typically does an escrow analysis after paying your annual tax bill. Any increases or decreases to your monthly payment will be determined and they will notify you directly usually after January 1. Should you have any questions about this, you should contact your mortgage company directly for assistance.

#### **Quarterly Installment Payments**

If you pay your property taxes on the Tax Collector's quarterly installment plan, any newly approved 2019 exemptions will be applied on the third and fourth installment payment amounts. Any adjustments for 2019 are made on the final two quarterly 2019 installment payments.

If my office can ever be of assistance to you, please do not hesitate to contact me directly at 954.357.6904 or by email at martykiar@bcpa.net. <sup>(1)</sup>



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# THE YEAR OF THE MAESTRO

THE LONGTIME CONDUCTOR OF THE SYMPHONY OF THE AMERICAS LOOKS BACK ON HIS MUSICAL CAREER

**WRITER** PATRICK HARRIS

uch has been written about Maestro James Brooks-Bruzzese since his arrival in Florida in the early 1970s. Over the course of his 50-year career, he has been an educator creating award-winning student orchestras, formed acclaimed local orchestral groups and toured the world visiting more than 50 countries. With this being his final year as Maestro of the Symphony of the Americas, I wanted to get to know the other side of this truly unique individual.

Now, "Welcome to the Jungle" is not the first song you might think of when you first meet the Maestro, but after spending some time with him, you might say that he is a cross between Tarzan and Axel Rose. Well, a very classically oriented rock star at the very least.

Born in the Panama Canal Zone, the future maestro was equally at home in the tropical rainforest as he was with his music. "I love the jungle," he told me multiple times. "The beauty and serenity are amazing, but you have to respect it." And respect it he still does even to this day, visiting the country regularly.

His mother recognized his adventurous nature early on and decided the best way to keep him off the streets and from being lost in the jungle was to introduce him to music. He started with the piano and eventually took up the trumpet. However, his love of music was not limited to just classical repertoire. In fact, he had a successful dance band while in high school. It was during this time that his music teacher recognized his talent and encouraged him to pursue a career in music.

He received a full scholarship to Duquesne University and thanks to the school's partnership with the Pittsburgh Symphony, our future maestro was born. However, the world was a very different place in the late 1950s and early 1960s. This accomplished musician returned to Panama after college and worked a variety of jobs including in the sanitation department where he contracted malaria. However, he still managed to play music on the side knowing it was his true calling.

As the Vietnam War escalated, we saw our future maestro become a captain in the U.S. Army training troops. Naturally, he was in charge of the band and thanks to his success with the group, he was ultimately not deployed to Vietnam. "The brigade commander wouldn't let me go because he liked having the best band in the Army," Maestro said with a laugh.

I asked about some of his most memorable concert



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experiences. "Oh there are so many," he sighed looking to the ceiling. Finally, he began rattling off people and places so fast, I had to ask him to repeat himself. These experiences included The Concertgebouw in Amsterdam and multiple performances with pianist Michael Ponti, but it seemed that it was the joy he brought to the concertgoers is what has meant the most to him.

However, the funniest memory — and one that made him chuckle the entire time he was telling me the story — was during a trans-Atlantic cruise where the weather was so bad they had to tie the piano down to keep it from sliding into the orchestra.

In April, Maestro will become Founding Artistic Director Emeritus of the Symphony of the Americas,

#### Merci Maestro Gala

The Symphony of the Americas celebrates Maestro James Brooks-Bruzzese with a champagne reception, performance and dinner.

April 18, 6:30 p.m.

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but I do not feel it will be for the last time that audiences will enjoy his artistry from the podium. He calls the Symphony of the Americas his gift to Fort Lauderdale, but it seems we are the ones who have been blessed. with someone who has the vision and talent that has helped our community to be recognized as a cultural destination.













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# THE WINTERFEST ILLUSTRATOR

A VIBRANT NEW RIVER SERVES AS THE BACKDROP FOR THIS YEAR'S WINTERFEST POSTER BY FORT LAUDERDALE ARTIST

**WRITER** GO RIVERWALK STAFF

andscape artist Brooke Trace has created the artwork for this year's Winterfest parade poster and incorporated the event's theme of "Lights, Camera, Action ... Movies on Parade" into the artwork.

Trace, owner of the North Beach Art Gallery in Fort Lauderdale, discovered her love of art, nature, and beauty at an early age. Her mother gave her a point and shoot camera to capture images of her pet Newfoundland dogs, posing them with sunglasses, hats and bandanas.

This started her on her career in the arts. Trace is best known for her natural landscape digital photography.

She attended Florida Atlantic University where she majored in business and minored in photography. She also earned her associate of arts degree from the Art Institute of Fort Lauderdale. Digital photography is her preferred medium and she uses two different methods to create her personal style. The images can be printed on canvas to create the traditional look of a painting. The other method involves printing the image on archival photographic paper, which is then sublimated under acrylic. Trace prefers metallic paper to create an iridescent shimmer illuminating the image.

She has been juried into numerous art festivals with her photographs including Las Olas Art Festival, Beaux Arts Festival, Boca Raton Museum of Arts and more. Her images have appeared in numerous publications, aired on local television stations and exhibited in public spaces.

The official commemorative artwork for the 2019 Seminole Hard Rock Winterfest Boat Parade was unveiled on Oct. 24 at the Gray Robinson, P.A. Winterfest White Party. ①

#### HIGHLIGHTS OF THIS YEAR'S WINTERFEST

Seminole Hard Rock Winterfest Black Tie Ball

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# TAKING FLIGHT IN FORT LAUDERDALE

COOPER'S HAWK WINERY AND RESTAURANT TRANSFORM DINING EXPERIENCE AT THE GALLERIA

WRITERS PENNY SANFILIPPO & JONNY ALTOBELL — THE UGLY SISTERS

of the thought of eating at a shopping mall conjures images of food courts full of stuff you wouldn't consume by choice, the Galleria Mall on Sunrise, will shatter that image. The newest addition to an already impressive lineup of *real* restaurants is Cooper's Hawk, and they got everything right.

Not normally being a fan of "chain" food establishments, Cooper's Hawk seems to have perfected the art of making each of its 40 locations over nine states feel like it's the first and the best.

The latest of 10 locations here in Florida, the company was faced with some interesting problems by a mall location – not the least of which are the hours of the mall vs. the restaurant. Because the restaurant is actually on the second floor, a private elevator was installed – but what an entrance! There is also access from the mall itself — although less dramatic — during mall hours.

Wonderful lighting is suspended above a "path" which guides you to the doors. It is a memorable first impression and the first step into the second floor facility is a bit like Dorothy stepping into Oz. You know you're in a mall, but it suddenly doesn't look like any mall you've seen. Large plate-glass windows overlook both the inside and outside of the mall, depending on which of the Cooper's Hawk rooms you are in.

In a thoroughly smart move, the winery-inspired "tasting room" is first. Besides quaffing wine, you can

shop for fun gifts that could suit any wine lover in your life. Housemade truffles and chocolates are on display that would put unnamed chocolate shops to shame. The bar area, adjacent to the tasting room, offers a happy hour with discounted foods and wines. It also serves to handle the overflow of folks waiting for dinner. Although the beautiful dining area seats 300-plus, it in no way feels crowded and there is a private dining area available for special events/meetings.

Our guide was the Assistant General Manager Kelso Ballentyne, who told us more about the food. We were surprised that all 40 locations have the same menu items, but that works to their advantage when they can have gnocchi handmade for them in Illinois and cheese imported from Italy — both ingredients are featured with butternut squash, short ribs (and burrata) or as a carbonara with chicken.

Lest we sound too focused on pasta (is that possible?), the appetizer menu is both eclectic and delicious. Friends of ours swooned over the chopped deviled eggs on toast, and the Asian Pork Belly Tostadas are a "must try" inhouse invention. Vegans are not ignored nor are the true carnivores in your life. And the kitchens are extremely sensitive to folks with food allergies both with their staff training and food preparation.

There's lots to love and we haven't even covered the wine!

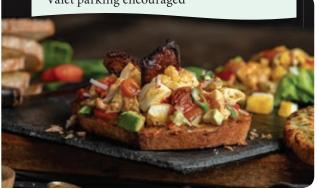


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# A HANDCRAFTED COCKTAIL EXPERIENCE

DEALER'S CHOICE AT ONE DOOR EAST

WRITER RENÉE K. OUINN

ne Door East's cocktail program focuses on making well-balanced craft cocktails that pair perfectly with their globally-inspired menu. Their mixologists understand how to cater to a refined palate, but also make approachable drinks that keep guests coming back for more. Whether you're looking for an elevated cocktail or something classic to enjoy with a nice conversation, One Door East offers it all.

I sat with Mixologist Ian Torres Jr. and talked classic cocktails. I challenged him to create two spirit forward cocktails using rye whiskey and rum.

#### Vieux Carré a la Ian

- Old Forester Rye
- Cognac
- Vermouth
- Drambuie
- Angostura + Cardamom Bitters.
- Garnish with lemon zest and serve in a coupe glass.



#### Mai Tai Riff

- Flor de Caña Rum
- Orgeat syrup
- Pineapple syrup
- · Lime juice
- Light dash of maraschino syrup
- · Garnish with a maraschino cherry in a rocks/old fashioned glass.



#### MEET IAN TORRES JR.

Favorite quote: "Keep it simple, stupid." – Ian Torres Sr.

Favorite classic cocktail: Vieux Carré

Your twist on your favorite cocktail: Cardamom Bitters

What trend excites you most about

today's craft scene? The excitement that guests have about craft drinks. Because craft cocktail bars are fairly common nowadays, even the least bar-knowledgeable guest might say, "Make me something with \_\_\_\_\_," which is the best part of the job. Dealer's Choice is my favorite choice.

Known for: Good Hair

Your go-to drink Is: Gin and Tonic

Must-have garnish: Filthy Black Cherries

Essential bar accessory: A good Hawthorne strainer

Best local bar: Waxy's Irish Pub (formerly Waxy O'Conner's)

Who are your role models or mentors? I had some amazing mentors behind the bar at One Door East. Marina, Dave, Adam, if you're reading this, I'd be nothing without you all.

This time next year you'll be drinking: Hopefully something that I've yet to learn about!



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# NOV. 24 - JOE DIMAGGIO CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL WINTERFEST® FAMILY FUN DAY PRESENTED BY PUBLIX

FREE fun for kids of all ages! Polar Express, face painting, sampling, massages, Cathy & Larry Danielle's Pet Rescue Row and much more. Photo opps with Santa. Free giveaways and Live Entertainment..

# DEC. 7 - SEMINOLE HARD ROCK WINTERFEST® BLACK TIE BALL PRESENTED BY FORD

**Spirits from Republic National Distributing, Co.** and Dex Imaging Magic Carpet Reception, Fidelity Investments Silent Auction and special performances from the Broadway Musical Disney's *Aladdin*.

**DEC. 10 - CAPTAIN'S MEETING PRESENTED BY INFORMA** hosted by Hilton Fort Lauderdale Marina.

# DEC. 13 - SEMINOLE HARD ROCK WINTERFEST® GRAND MARSHAL RECEPTION

Private reception to honor Grand Marshal Bret Michaels.
Sylvester Comprehensive Cancer Center Jr. Ambassador
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# DEC. 14 - BROWARD HEALTH GRANDSTAND VIEWING AREA PRESENTED BY THE FLORIDA PANTHERS

**"Party in the Park"** — Stella Artois Culinary Courtyard, Live Entertainment and activities. ALL SEATS RESERVED AND ASSIGNED at Hugh Taylor Birch State Park.

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#### JAN. 30, 2020- CAPTAIN'S CUP AWARDS RECEPTION

Hosted by the Greater Fort Lauderdale Broward County Convention Center.

#### MARCH 2020 - VOLUNTEER PARTY Hosted by Timpano

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#### **GENERAL EVENTS**

#### Adam Ezra Group

November 1 Alternative folk rock with sounds of Springsteen Broward Center for the Performing Arts (954) 462-0222 www.browardcenter.org

#### Roy Orbison & Buddy Holly

November 1 The Rock 'N' Roll Dream Tour Broward Center for the Performing Arts (954) 462-0222 www.browardcenter.org

#### Sea Soiree Charity Luncheon

November 1 Benefiting The Ocean Conservancy & The National Save the Sea Turtle Foundaiton Club Yacht Charter The Ritz-Carlton Fort Lauderdale (877) 509-2248 www.clubyachtcharter.com

### Spirits of Stranahan House Halloween Ghost Tour

November 1 Lead by authentic Victorian mourners Historic Stranahan House Museum (954) 524-4736 www.stranahanhouse.org



#### Fort Lauderdale Film Festival

November 1-17 Take a vacation from ordinary film Savor Cinema (954) 525-3456 www.fliff.com

#### Creativity Exploration: Happiness and Honor

November 2 Create a smile box inspired by Yoko Ono NSU Art Museum (954) 525-5500 www.nsuartmuseum.org

#### Soirée à Paris

November 2 Benefiting the arts-in-education programs Ghost Light Society Broward Center for the Performing Arts (954) 468-2681 www.ghostlightsociety.com



#### AC2 Tour November 2 Long-time friends Anderson Cooper and Andy Cohen interview one another Broward Center for the Performing Arts www.browardcenter.org

#### Florida Day of the Dead Celebration

November 2 A unique celebration including a processional
Florida Day of the Dead
Huizenga Plaza
www.dayofthedeadflorida.org

# 11th Annual Guy Harvey Ocean Foundation Banquet

Benefiting research and educational programs Guy Harvey Ocean Foundation Nova Southeastern University (954) 776-1999 www.ghof.org



#### Vet Fest November 2

Live entertainment, lunch and resources for health and employment Broward County Library African-American Research Library (954) 357-7435

#### The World of Birding

November 3 Taught by a birder extraordinaire Bonnet House Museum & Gardens (954) 563-5393 www.bonnethouse.org

#### Sammy Miller & the Congregation

November 3
Putting the generosity back into jazz
Broward Center for the Performing Arts (954) 462-0222 www.browardcenter.org

#### Family Feud Live: Celebrity Edition

November 7 Get selected to play on stage with celebrities Coral Springs Center for the Arts (954) 344-5990 www.thecentercs.com



Andrea Bocelli Supporting the "Voices of Haiti" Project Hard Rock Live (954) 937-0010 www.myhrl.com November 7

#### Elvis Costello & The Imposters November 7

Just Trust On Tour 2019 Broward Center for the Performing Arts (954) 462-0222 www.browardcenter.org

#### Art of Wine & Food: Pilgrims of Spain

November 7 Sampling wines from Baronia Winery NSU Art Museum (954) 525-5500 www.nsuartmuseum.org

#### The Mayhem Poets

November 8 A unique poetry show for students in grades 6-10
Broward Center for the Performing Arts (954) 462-0222 www.browardcenter.org



#### 3rd Annual Ryan Owens Memorial Run

November 9 Supporting fallen Special Operations Veterans and their families Naked Warrier Project Deerfield Beach www.nakedwarriorproject.org

#### Disney In Concert: Beauty and the Beast'

November 9 The classic movie accompanied by an orchestra Broward Center for the Performing Arts (954) 462-0222 www.browardcenter.org

#### SwampFest Bluegrass Festival

November 9 Featuring A Tribute to Mayberry Flamingo Gardens (954) 476-2955 www.flamingogardens.org

#### 14th Annual Mutts & Martinis November 9 Fort Lauderdale's largest outdoor dog-friendly cocktail party Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale Huizenga Plaza (954) 468-1541

#### www.goriverwalk.com Battle of the Boros XI

November 9 Featuring Bobby Brooks Wilson and others Coral Springs Center for the Arts (954) 344-5990 www.thecentercs.com

#### Gridiron Grill-Off

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November 9 Featuring country music artist Brett Young Pompano Beach Amphitheater (305) 748-6107 www.gridirongrilloff.com



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#### The Commodores

November 9 Playing their best Motown, R&B and funk hits Seminole Casino Coconut Creek (954) 977-6700 www.casinococo.com

#### Solider Rush 2019

November 9 "A patriotic, military style obstacle course United Way of Broward County Parkland Equestrian Center (954) 462-4850 www.unitedwaybroward.org

#### ArtStroll

November 9-10 Art from local artists displayed throughout the mall The Ğalleria Fort Lauderdale (954) 564-1036 www.galleriamall-fl.com

#### Exotics on Las Olas

November 10 Featuring some of the world's rarest supercars Las Olas Blvd. (305) 725-3096 www.exoticsonlasolas.com



#### Tribute to Broadway & Hollywood November 13

With special guest Nestor Torres Gold Coast Jazz Society
Broward Center for the Performing Arts (954) 524-0805 www.goldcoastjazz.org

#### Mannheim Steamroller Christmas by Chip Davis

November 14 A favorite holiday tradition for over 30 yrs. Broward Center for the Performing Arts (954) 462-0222 www.browardcenter.org

#### Mac McAnally

November 14 Award-winning songwriter, instrumentailist and CMA Musician of the Year Broward Center for the Performing Arts (954) 462-0222 www.browardcenter.org



#### Light Up Lauderdale November 14 Kick off the holiday season with this FREE family friendly event Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale Esplanade Park (954) 468-1541 www.goriverwalk.com

Storm Large November 15 Musician, actor, author and former contestant on Rock Star: Supernova Broward Center for the Performing Arts (954) 462-0222



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Todrick Hall November 15 Multi-talented singer, rapper, actor and choreographer Broward Center for the Performing Arts (954) 462-0222 www.browardcenter.org

Timeless November 15 70th annual wintersports film from Warren Miller Entertainment Broward Center for the Performing Arts (954) 462-0222 www.browardcenter.org

Sergey Shnurov's Leningrad Band November 15 Famous Russian band that sells out around the world Hard Rock Live (954) 937-0010 www.myhrl.com



Recycled Fashion Show November 15 See what teen designers create for the runway models Young At Art Museum (954) 424-0085 www.youngatartmuseum.org

Sarge November 16 A musical piano savant and amazing improvisational comedian and singer Coral Springs Center for the Arts (954) 344-5990 www.thecentercs.com



Straight No Chaser November 16 The Open Bar Tour Broward Center for the Performing Arts (954) 462-0222 www.browardcenter.org

Alicia Keys November 16 A concert benefiting The Shawn Carter Foundation Hard Rock Live (954) 937-0010 www.myhrl.com

Born to Dance November 17 Featuring Los Vivancos Broward Center for the Performing Arts

(954) 462-0222 www.browardcenter.org

Kevin James

November 17 Stand-up comedian and actor Hard Rock Live (954) 937-0010 www.mvhrl.com



Third Eye Blind November 17 With indie pop band Smallpools Seminole Casino Coconut Creek www.casinococo.com

John Paul White November 17 Best known for the Grammy-award duo The Civil Wars Broward Center for the Performing Arts (954) 462-0222 www.browardcenter.org

History Happy Hour November 19 History of alligator wrestling with Everett Osceola Historic Stranahan House Museum (954) 524-4736 www.stranahanhouse.org

Masterworks I November 19 Works by Barber and Mahler South Florida Symphony Orchestra Broward Center for the Performing Arts (954) 462-0222 www.browardcenter.org

Jimmy Buffett's Escape to Margáritaville November 19 A change in attitude is headed to your latitude Broward Center for the Performing Arts (954) 462-0222 www.browardcenter.org

Art + Stroll November 21 Art, entertainment and culture in the lobbies of downtown office buildings Business for the Arts Broward Building Lobbies on Las Olas (954) 940-5344 www.bfabroward.org



Disney Junior Holiday Party November 22 Sing and dance along with all their greatest hits Coral Springs Center for the Arts (954) 344-5990 www.thecentercs.com



Nella November 22 A new voice hailing from Venezuela
Broward Center for the Performing Arts (954) 462-0222 www.browardcenter.org

Fantasia with Tank & The Bunfyre November 22 Featuring works from their new release "Sketchbook" Hard Rock Live (954) 937-0010 www.myhrl.com

Home Design & Remodeling Show November 22-24 Meet Carter Oosterhouse of TLC's "Trading Spaces" Home Show Management **Broward County Convention Center** (305) 667-9299 www.homeshows.net

Bucket List Bash & Casino Night November 23 A fun night benefiting MODS, HANDY and The First Tee of Broward Bucket List Golf & Social Club Allied Marine (954) 204-5428 www.bucketlistgolfclub.com



Chris D'Elia November 23 Follow the Leader Tour Hard Rock Live (954) 937-0010 www.myhrl.com

Collective Soul November 23 25th Anniversary Tour Coral Springs Center for the Arts (954) 344-5990 www.thecentercs.com



Riptide Music Festival November 23-24 Featuring over 20 musical acts including The Killers and Judah & The Lion **Entercom** Fort Lauderdale Beach www.riptidefest.com

Coral Springs Craft Fair November 23-24 Featuring over 100 crafter artisians Howard Alan Events The Walk at Coral Springs (561) 746-6615 www.artfestival.com

Winterfest Family Fun Day November 24

A perfect family outing Winterfest Boat Parade Huizenga Plaza (954) 767-0686 www.winterfestparade.com

Lynyrd Skynyrd November 30 Last of the Street Survivors Farewell Hard Rock Live (954) 937-0010 www.myhrl.com

An Evening with David Sedaris December 3 Featuring his new collection, Calypso Parker Playhouse (954) 462-0222

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Cirque Holidays December 3 Acrobatic stars performing to everyone's favorite holiday music Broward Center for the Performing Arts (954) 462-0222 www.browardcenter.org

Mystery Science Theater 3000 LIVE!

December 4 The Great Cheesy Movie Circus Tour Parker Playhouse (954) 462-0222 www.parkerplayhouse.com

Emmet Cohen Trio December 4 Handful of Keys Tour Gold Coast Jazz Society Broward Center for the Performing Arts (954) 462-0222 www.goldcoastjazz.org



Trisha Yearwood December 5 Every Girl In This Town Tour Parker Playhouse (954) 462-0222 www.parkerplayhouse.com

Don Giovanni December 5 & 7 One of Mozart's most recognized operas Florida Grand Opera Broward Center for the Performing Arts (954) 462-0222 www.browardcenter.org

Straight Up With Stassi December 6 Taking girls night to the next level Parker Playhouse (954) 462-0222 www.parkerplayhouse.com

George Lopez December 6 The Wall World Tour Hard Rock Live (954) 937-0010 www.myhrl.com



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#### Holiday Magic

December 6-13 See all the beautiful decorations throughout the house Bonnet House Museum & Gardens (954) 563-5393 www.bonnethouse.org

#### **Cookies with Santa**

December 7 Advance registration required Historic Stranahan House Museum (954) 524-4736 www.stranahanhouse.org

#### Winterfest Black Tie Ball

December 7 Complete with a special performance from Disney's "Aladdin"
Winterfest Boat Parade Seminole Casino Coconut Creek (954) 767-0686 www.winterfestparade.com



#### Andrew Dice Clay

December 7 One of America's most outrageous and controversial comedians Coral Springs Center for the Arts (954) 344-5990 www.thecentercs.com

#### An Evening with Sutton Foster

December 7 With music director Michael Rafter Broward Center for the Performing Arts (954) 462-0222 www.browardcenter.org

#### The Hip-Hop Nutcracker

December 8 A contemporary dance spectacle Broward Center for the Performing Arts (954) 462-0222 www.browardcenter.org



#### Tony Bennett December 8 I Left My Heart Tour Hard Rock Live (954) 937-0010 www.myhrl.com

#### A Magical Cirque Christmas December 8

Cirque artists and your favorite holiday music Coral Springs Center for the Arts (954) 344-5990 www.thecentercs.com

#### Leonid & Friends

December 8 One of the world's best Chicago cover bands Parker Playhouse (954) 462-0222 www.parkerplayhouse.com



#### Rret Michaels

December 13 Former lead singer of the band Poison Hard Rock Live (954) 937-0010 www.myhrl.com

#### The Nutcracker

December 13-16 Choreographed by Vladimir Issaev Arts Ballet Theatre Parker Playhouse (954) 462-0222 www.browardcenter.org



#### A Christmas Story, The Musical

December 13-29 Based on the beloved holiday movie Slow Burn Theatre Company
Broward Center for the Performing Arts (954) 462-0222 www.browardcenter.org

# **Criss Angel RAW: The Mindfreak Unplugged** December 14

The most influential and imitated magician of the modern era Hard Rock Live (954) 937-0010 www.myhrl.com

#### LeAnn Rimes

December 14 You and Me and Christmas Tour 2019 Seminole Casino Coconut Creek (954) 977-6700 www.casinococo.com



#### Winterfest Boat Parade

December 14
A South Florida tradition
Winterfest Boat Parade (954) 767-0686 www.winterfestparade.com

#### Winterfest Boat Parade Viewing Party

December 14 Featuring a four course meal and open bar Children's Harbor The Grateful Palate (954) 252-3072 www.chwinterfest.com



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December 15 Featuring the Cathedral Choir and Symphony of the Americas First Presbyterian Church (954) 462-6200 www.firstpres.cc

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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

#### Attack of the Bloodsuckers!

Through January 5 A exhibition about mosquitoes, fleas, ticks and other parasites Museum of Discovery & Science (954) 467-MODS (6637) www.mods.org

#### Turtle Travels

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#### Superpower Dogs 3D

Through February 28 Experience the bravery of some of the world's most amazing dogs

#### ONGOING



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#### FORT LAUDERDALE

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#### Ongoing Youth & Adult Classes

Dance

Sports

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

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#### Sunset Kayak Tours

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

#### **Guided Nature Walks**

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

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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



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Third Saturday
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#### FATVillage Art Walk

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



### MASS District Art Walk

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



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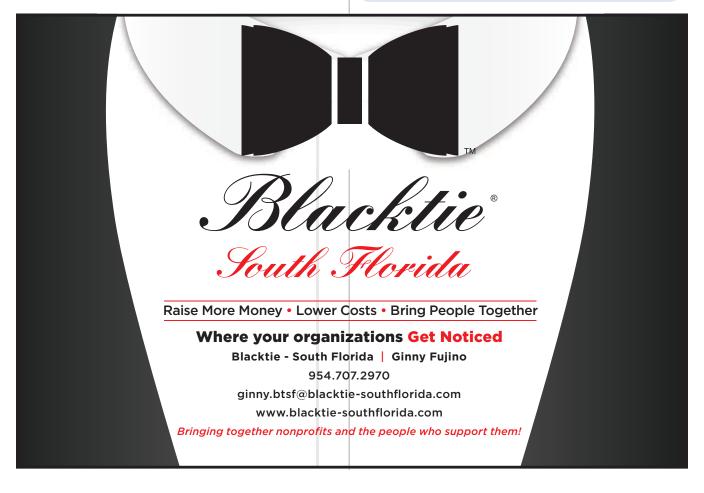
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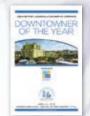


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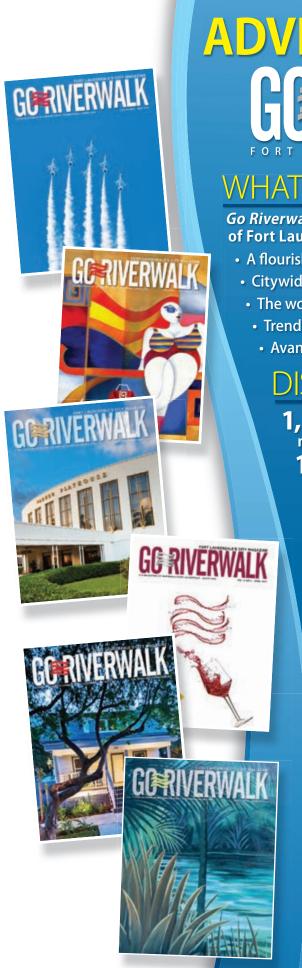
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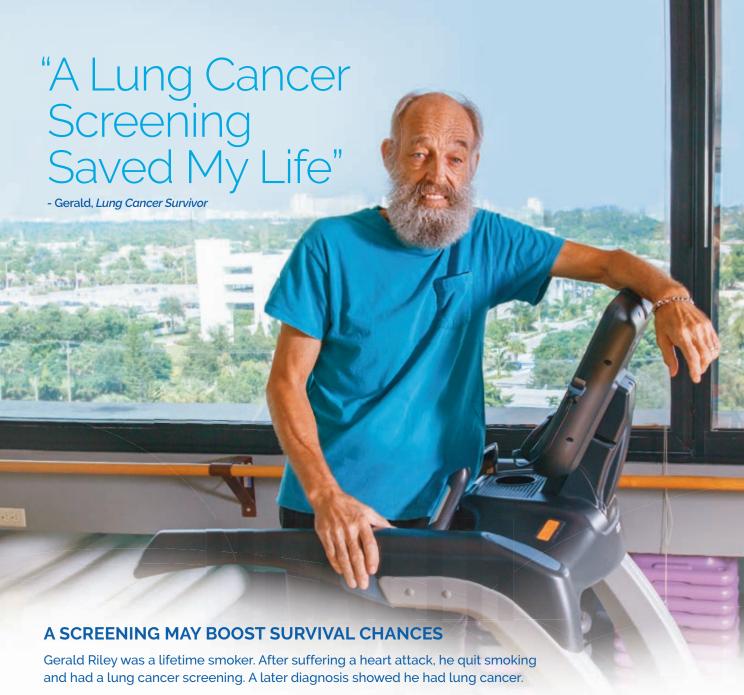
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