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Although best known for our sun, sand and beautiful Blue Wave certified beaches, Fort Lauderdale's coastline and beyond is drawing quite the reputation as a craft beer destination. Over the past decade, what started as a community of tenacious brewmasters and enthusiasts, is now a thriving beer culture with more than a dozen nano- and micro-breweries and more than 3-dozen craft brewpubs. Add to this the 1st Annual BREWS AT THE **BEACH**, taking place December 6 - 8, and you have the making for one hoppy reason to come ride this tasty new brew wave. For details on the trio of events which make up Brews at the Beach weekend, visit MyFtLB.com

OUR FAVORITE THINGS

The holiday season in Fort Lauderdale is simply the most wonderful time of year; with our sand-lined palm tree beaches and sun-kissed, salty air. Beyond beach balls and flip flops to fill stockings hung with care, our HOLIDAY **GIFT GUIDE** features ideas to provide lasting memories to take into the new year. View the guide at MyFTLB.com

















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From festive events to new traditions, Fort Lauderdale Beach has something to make your season all the more merrier. Save the date(s) for these upcoming events, for you can always schedule a little rest and relaxation time in the new year.



ON THE HORIZON **DECEMBER**

- On The Rooftop ALX & Donnie Lowe McSorleys
- Bahelotette Beach Yoga Lifeguard Station #13
- 1-24 Water Taxi Holiday Light Cruise
- Rock the Block Breakers Avenue
- Beachside Pig Roast Park & Ocean



DEC 7-12 HOLIDAY MAGIC

The annual tradition and rare opportunity to expereince the historic Bonnet House & Museum decked out at night

- Yaymakers Plant Brunch Spazio
- 7 **Ugly Sweater Party** Burlock Coast
- Beer Brunch Wild Thme Oceanside Eatery
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- Fort Lauderdale Beach Sweep Las Olas & A1A
- Fire & Ice: A Full Moon Experience Tsukuro
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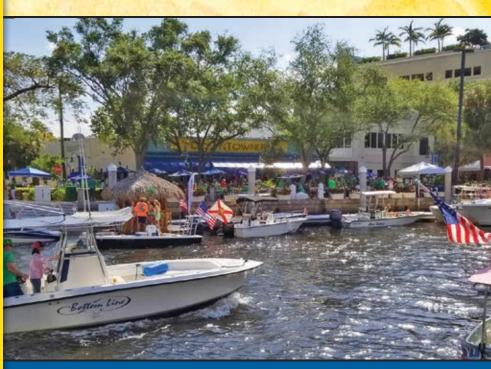
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JUST SOLD

ASHLEY

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JUST SOLD

ASHLEY

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.

UNDER CONTRACT ASHLEY

18TH FLOOR 3 BR/3.5 BATH WITH STUNNING VIEWS OF THE RIVER, OCEAN & CITY. 2 LARGE TERRACES, OPEN LIVING AREA, GOURMET KITCHEN, LUXURIOUS MASTER SUITE/MARBLE BATHS, 2 PARKING SPACES AND MORE!

NEW LISTING ASHLEY W/ LANAI - \$1,050,000

HAVE IT ALL! RARELY AVAILABLE 3/3.5 ASHLEY FLOOR PLAN WITH OVER 1,000 SQ. FT. OF PRIVATE OUTDOOR LIVING SPACES! RIVER & CITY VIEWS, SPACIOUS INTERIORS, EXPANSIVE TERRACE AND LANAI PERFECT FOR ENTERTAINING!

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CHAMPAGNE - \$819,000

2BR/ 2.5 BATHS WITH DIRECT RIVER VIEWS FROM THIS PRISTINE CHAMPAGNE SOUTH MODEL. CUSTOM OFFICE, DESIGNER LIGHTING THROUGHOUT, SILHOUETTE WINDOW TREATMENTS, MARBLE BATHS & MORE.

UNDER CONTRACT CHAMPAGNE

MOVE IN READY 2 BR/2.5 BATH WITH DIRECT RIVER VIEWS. MARBLE FLOORS THROUGHOUT, COMPUTER ROOM, GOURMET KITCHEN, MARBLE BATHS, WALK-IN CLOSETS, LAUNDRY ROOM AND MORE!

NEW LISTING BRADFORD - \$795,000

30TH FLOOR 2 BR/2 BATH WITH OUTSTANDING OCEAN, RIVER & CITY VIEWS FROM EVERY ROOM. LARGE TERRACE, GOURMET KITCHEN, POGGENPOHL CABINETRY, MARBLE BATHS, LARGE LAUNDRY ROOM AND MORE.

UNDER CONTRACT BRADFORD

SPECTACULAR RE-DESIGNED 2 BR/2 BATH UNIT WITH OPEN ENTRY, PANORAMIC DIRECT RIVER VIEWS, SPLIT FLOOR PLAN, MARBLE FLOORS AND MORE.

BRADFORD - \$769,000

24TH FLOOR 2 BR/2 BATH WITH BEAUTIFUL VIEWS OF THE RIVER, OCEAN & CITY FROM EVERY ROOM. MARBLE FLOORS IN THE LIVING AREAS, THERMADOR DOUBLE OVENS, MARBLE BATHS, LAUNDRY ROOM AND MORE!



PARK - \$2,450,000

STUNNING CONTEMPORARY WATERFRONT 3BR/3.5 BATH CONDO. WITH 3,239 OF CUSTOM LIVING AREA , PLUS A POOLSIDE A/C'D CABANA SUITE, AND A DOUBLE PRIVATE A/C'D STORAGE ROOM. UPGRADED BATHROOMS, CUSTOM LIGHT FIXTURES, SPECTACULAR GREAT ROOM, FORMAL DINING, LARGE KITCHEN WITH FAMILY ROOM, FANTASTIC MASTER SUITE PLUS 4 BALCONIES WITH DIRECT RIVER VIEWS!

PRICE REDUCED MADISON - \$1,399,000

RISE ABOVE IT ALL IN THIS LUXURY HIGH FLOOR MADISON MODEL! THIS STUNNING UNIT OFFERS \$500K IN CUSTOM UPGRADES THROUGHOUT THE 3 BEDROOM & 3.5 BATH FLOOR PLAN. EXPANSIVE RIVER, CITY, POOL & PARK VIEWS FROM FLOOR TO CEILING GLASS WINDOWS SURROUNDING EVERY ROOM. PRIVATE FOYER ENTRY, OPEN FLOOR PLAN, RE-DESIGNED KITCHEN W/LARGE ISLAND, FORMAL DINING ROOM W/ BUILT-IN BAR, SLIDING GLASS DOORS, NATURAL STONE ACCENT WALLS, PREMIUM FIXTURES, CUSTOM CEILINGS AND LIGHTING, & SMART TECHNOLOGY.

PRICE REDUCED MADISON - \$1,295,000

HIGH FLOOR MADISON "TOWER SUITE" WITH MAGNIFICENT VIEWS OF THE OCEAN, RIVER & DOWNTOWN. PERFECT FOR ENTERTAINING; EXPANSIVE WRAP AROUND TERRACE & OPEN FLOOR PLAN. CUSTOM FINISHES THROUGHOUT: \$30,000 UPGRADED VELUM CEILINGS, THEATRE/ENTERTAINMENT ROOM WITH CONTROLLED LIGHTING THROUGH PHONE APPLICATION & SOUND RESPONSIVE ACTION THROUGH VV LIGHT CONTROLLER/BLUE TOOTH, DESIGNER WALLS AND MUCH MORE.

NEW LISTING ONE OF A KIND DOUBLE UNIT - \$1,195,000

TOTALLY RENOVATED 27TH FLOOR CHELSEA AND SOHO MODELS COMBINED! OVER 2,600 SQ. FT. OF CUSTOMIZED INTERIORS, PRIVATE ELEVATOR FOYER ENTRY OPENING INTO LUXURIOUS LIVING SPACES! 3 BEDROOMS 3.5 BATHS + DEN/OFFICE, WOOD & MARBLE FLOORS, CROWN MOLDINGS THROUGHOUT, CUSTOM LIGHTING, MOTORIZED WINDOW TREATMENTS, CABINETRY & BUILT-INS, GLASS DOORS & COFFERED CEILINGS. ENTERTAIN FROM THE ILLUMINATED WET BAR, W/MOSAIC TILES & STACKED STONE ACCENTS. THE EXPANDED KITCHEN FEATURES EURO APPLIANCES, CUSTOM CABINETRY & GRANITE COUNTERTOPS. SPA INSPIRED BATHROOMS 2 TERRACES, 2 PARKING SPACES AND 2 STORAGE CAGES.

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.

PRICE REDUCED GRAMERCY - \$875,000

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CHELSEA - \$775,000

OUTSTANDING RIVER, POOL & CITY FROM THIS 2BR/2.5 BATH BEAUTIFULLY DECORATED CHELSEA MODEL. NUMEROUS UPGRADES INCLUDING OPEN GOURMET KITCHEN DESIGN AND MUCH MORE.

EW LISTING LEXINGTON - \$749,000

OUTSTANDING RIVER VIEWS FROM THIS 2BR/2.5 BATH WITH PRIVATE DOUBLE DOOR FOYER ENTRY. FLOOR TO CEILING IMPACT GLASS, GOURMET KITCHEN, SPLIT FLOOR PLAN, CUSTOM LIGHTING, AND MUCH MORE.





OUTSTANDING RIVER AND CITY VIEWS. OPEN KITCHEN WITH S/S APPLIANCE, GRANITE COUNTERTOPS, TILE FLOORS IN LIVING AREA.

PRICE REDUCED 3BR/2 BATH - \$544,000

RECENTLY UPDATED, NEW KITCHEN, NEW GE S/S APPLIANCES, BEAUTIFUL QUARTZ COUNTERTOPS, UPGRADED SHOWERS AND MUCH MORE.

NEW LISTING

2BR/2BATH - \$339,000

20TH FLOOR WITH VIEWS OF THE OCEAN WITH AN OPEN KITCHEN, S/S APPLIANCES, WASHER & DRYER IN THE UNIT AND MUCH MORE.

350 LAS OLAS PLACE



OUTSTANDING SUB PENTHOUSE 2 BEDROOM, 2 BATH WITH GORGEOUS CITY VIEWS FROM EVERY ROOM. MARBLE STONE FLOORS THROUGHOUT. SPLIT BEDROOM FLOOR PLAN, OPEN GOURMET KITCHEN AND MORE.

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.

FIESTA - \$319,900

SUB PENTHOUSE 1BEDROOM, 1BATH WITH VAST CITY VIEWS. TILE THROUGHOUT, OPEN GOURMET KITCHEN, S/S APPLIANCES & MUCH MORE.



RIVERSIDE - \$649,000

"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 - \$599,000

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.

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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 - \$449,000

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

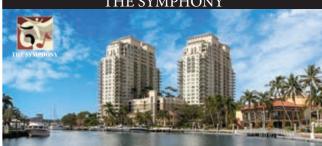
SKYVIEW - \$439,000

BEST PRICED 2 BEDROOM, 2BATH IN THE BUILDING. POOL, RIVER & CITY VIEWS FROM THE BALCONY. OPEN KITCHEN, S/S APPLIANCES & MORE.

SUNGARDEN - \$315,000

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

THE SYMPHONY



UNDER CONTRACT

3BR/3BATH

LARGE 3 BR/3 BATH EAST FACING CONDO, CORNER SUB-PENTHOUSE UNIT WITH BOAT SLIP. 2269+ SQ FT. PLUS A LARGE SUN DECK.

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.

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

2BR/2 BATH - \$299,995

UPDATED WITH 2 MASTER SUITES, GOURMET KITCHEN, NEW WOOD PORCELAIN FLOORS, CUSTOM CLOSETS, S/S APPLIANCES AND MORE.



BY JOHN ROPES Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale Chair



'TIS THE SEASON

A VISIT FROM THE URBAN LAND INSTITUTE, EXCITING IMPROVEMENTS FOR RIVERWALK AND FORT LAUDERDALE, AND THE 2019 SEMINOLE HARD ROCK WINTERFEST BOAT PARADE

he Fort Lauderdale Downtown Development Authority proudly welcomed the Urban Land Institute and their renowned Advisory Services Program to host a discussion panel to consider some of the following topics on enhancement of the city's park and recreation areas.

The panel was conducted in conjunction with the 10-Minute Walk Campaign, which is a national movement led by the National Recreation and Park Association, The Trust for Public Land, and the Urban Land Institute. This campaign, which is supported by more than 220 mayors nationwide, promotes the creation of urban parks and walkable green spaces connecting parts of the city and downtown within a 10-minute walk of urban residents' homes.

Riverwalk was proud to be a part of this discussion panel on topics including, how to make Downtown more livable, walkable, connected and climate adaptive. Some important ideas were discussed regarding how to contend with sea-level rise and storm water drainage, creation of a pedestrian/bike network in Downtown, and the development of a new vision for Huizenga Plaza,

among many others.

Aside from the exciting future of our great city, it is also the best time of year on the Riverwalk — the holiday season! Time to stroll the Las Olas shops, enjoy the brisk winter air (if we get any), enjoy the greenways lined with twinkling lights, and meet new people visiting from all over the world, here to experience a bit of our personal paradise.

Don't forget to save the date — Dec. 14 — as Winterfest Inc. and Seminole Hard Rock Hotel & Casino host the 48th Annual Boat Parade on the New River. You will find some of the best spots to view the Seminole Hard Rock Winterfest Boat Parade on the north and south sides of the New River along the Riverwalk, as well as multiple black tie and casual party venues both on water and on land.

Winterfest Inc. has dubbed their free public event, "The World's Most Watched Boat Parade," with approximately one million spectators viewing the event from the waterways and millions more via the Internet and television. The theme for Winterfest 2019 is Lights, Camera, Action ... Movies on Parade.

Happy Holidays — see you on the Riverwalk!



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BY GENIA DUNCAN ELLIS

President/CEO
Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale



ENJOY THE HOLIDAY SEASON ALONG THE RIVERWALK

FROM DECORATIVE LIGHTS TO THE NEW WHARF. THERE'S ALWAYS SOMETHING TO DO ALONG THE WATER

s we are seeing the completion of some of the projects along Riverwalk on the north side in the next few months, we welcome The Wharf into operation. With a unique concept that has been highly acclaimed in Miami, Emi Guerra and his partners bring us that same stellar experience along Riverwalk. Be sure to find the time over the holidays to stop by for a bite, some music and libations on the New River.

Over the next 90 days a portion of Riverwalk will be closed. Scaffolding will be removed and construction will be completed along the interface to Riverwalk. We will replace 4,600 etched bricks that were removed during construction and construct the 9-11 monument. The adjoining properties are expected to be finishing up as we enter season with even more options in that area to delight the residents and visitors of Fort Lauderdale.

The Fort Lauderdale International Boat Show was again a raging success and we note that each year that the number of options increase. High-end launch parties, a mayor's kick off reception, mega yacht viewings and lots of sales marked the largest boat show in the world. As a destination, Fort Lauderdale offers it all. It was noted that our water transportation tallies exceeded more than 14,569 riders during the four-day event, offering a great alternative to travel and once again demonstrating that we are the Venice of America.

We have just celebrated Light Up Lauderdale, the

annual kick off to lighting up our city for the holidays. With a joyous occasion, the season is in full swing with decorative holiday lighting and garlands along the Riverwalk. As the month progresses and other parts of city continue the lighting ceremony, you will easily see why Fort Lauderdale is varied and its vast community celebrates where we live and who we share the city with.

As we enter the New Year, we will be also completing our capital campaign for the 9-11 monument that will be constructed on Riverwalk. Being fortunate enough to receive a significant artifact from that fateful day, we have the honor of sharing that piece with the public as a piece of art in a beautiful setting. As one of my friends says, this monument provides a teaching moment to our younger generation that may not remember those tragic happenings in 2001.

For the upcoming year we see great things on the horizon and one of them is that Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale will have the distinct pleasure of honoring Vincent "Vinnie" Viola. With the continuing relationship between the City of Fort Lauderdale and the Florida Panthers, hockey will soon be an everyday thing at Holiday Park. We will be presenting Mr. Viola to you over the next few months with some of his many accomplishments and why we think he is the perfect honoree for making a difference in our Downtown and to the City of Fort Lauderdale.





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investments and philanthropy Thanks in part to my strong background in lending and banking, I work with executives, business owners, entrepreneurs, and high net worth families to develop personalized financial strategies designed to help them achieve their long-term financial goals. Located in Boca Raton, I lead a team of private bank specialists, highly skilled in creating innovative strategies for investment management, trust and estate planning services, lending, philanthropy, art services and non-profit solutions.

Prior to arriving at Bank of America, I have held various wealth management positions at both Bank of America and Merrill Lynch, adding to my expertise as a private client advisor.

Originally from Morris Township, New Jersey, I have a bachelor of arts degree with a concentration in math and computer science from Montclair State University. I moved to Florida in 1991 and currently live in Hollywood. Outside of the office, I am a PAWS board member of the Humane Society of Broward County and also a member of Women's Impact 100 in Boca Raton, which awards high-impact grants for arts and culture, education, environment, family, and health and wellness. In a continuing effort to stay connected and continue to network with peers, locals and business owners, I saw joining Riverwalk as being one of the best organizations to help me accomplish this goal.

TRUSTEE MEMBER



STEPHANIE ZEVERINO BELMONT VILLAGE SENIOR LIVING

• Diverse, in its truest definition, means various kinds or forms. With a career as a top-notch marketer, sales professional and relationship builder, I have taken yet another giant leap forward in the changing world of senior living. As the first person on the ground of the extraordinary Belmont

Village Senior Living Fort Lauderdale, my role will encompass every aspect of senior living marketing. The premiere community will offer independent living, assisted living, memory care and Belmont's award-winning Circle of Friends program for residents with mild cognitive impairment.

Starting a successful sales and marketing career over 25 years ago with Walt Disney World in Orlando, my expertise and ever-expanding career has brought me to more closely serving the needs of others in my position. Prior to being welcomed into the Belmont Village family eight years ago, my previous positions included director of special events at Sony Studios, and sales and marketing for the Pasadena Convention and Visitors Bureau.

While most of my time is spent on opening Belmont Villages' 31st location here in Fort Lauderdale, I do make time to offer my services to several local agencies including the Broward Coalition on Aging and the Elder Services Resource Network. I also make every effort to learn as much as I can about our local community since I have been here just over one year. This is also one reason why I joined Riverwalk. It's a great organization that has helped me to expand my knowledge and personal network.

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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MUTTS AND MARTINIS

The dogs were out and in Huizenga Plaza on Saturday, Nov. 9, for a family and fido-friendly cocktail hour. The ladies of Lips Fort Lauderdale entertained attendees during the Peanut Butter Eating Contest and Doggie Fashion Show. Rescues and non-profits from all over Broward County brought out furry friends for cuddling and adoption. The Spirited South Florida VIP Martini Experience featuring Tito's Handmade Vodka and bites from The Historic Downtowner was a hit with the



Rolando Zubizarreta



Howie with Lenard Scroggins, Gerri Klien, and Vevila Finch



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Doggie Fashion Show Contestant Willow in her remote control car



Lady LaRouge and Chocolatta with Peanut Butter Easting Contest first place winners, Serena London with Sargent



"A Dog's Best Friend" Tim Mullally and Teoti Anderson with Hayes



Diane Isarel with Loki, Overall Winner in the Doggie Fashion Show



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DAY OF THE DEAD CELEBRATION

During the 10th Annual Florida Day of the Dead Celebration, thousands of participants walked in the traditional Mexican procession. Artists in the parks were kept busy with face painting and attendees in costume were abundant. Starting in Huizenga Plaza, the procession continued along the Riverwalk, through Esplanade Park and ending at an all-night street party at Revolution Live. Vendors, food trucks and performers sang through the night, creating an event reflective of Mexican tradition, reinterpreted with a cool modern twist.



Genia Duncan Ellis, Jim Hammond and Chris Lagerbloom



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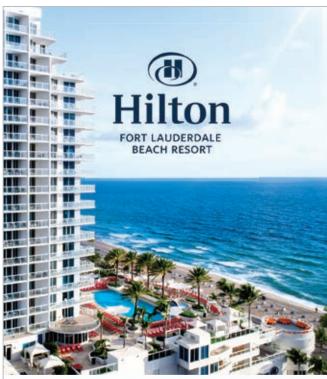


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BY COMMISSIONER BEN SORENSEN
City of Fort Lauderdale



UPDATES FROM THE CITY'S DISTRICT 4

WHAT'S HAPPENING, FROM COMMUNITY COURT TO WAR MEMORIAL RENOVATION

t is an exciting time here in Fort Lauderdale and we as your City Commission continue to make great strides forward. The 60th annual Fort Lauderdale Boat show was once again a success, our local economy brought in millions of dollars and we welcomed well over 110,000 visitors, 1,200 exhibitors and 1,500 boats to our City. We were honored to have had the following countries represented, Argentina, Germany, Great Britain, Haiti, Japan, Malaysia, Mexico, Spain, Taiwan, The Netherlands and Turkey. The City of Fort Lauderdale looks forward to the 61st annual boat show next year.

Update on Initiatives to Address Homelessness - What is Community Court?

In collaboration with the Seventeenth Circuit, Broward County, State Attorney's Office, Fort Lauderdale Police and the Broward County Sheriff's Office, the Community Court Program is the first of its kind in the State of Florida. The goal is to focus on behaviors and needs of homeless, low-level first time and repeat misdemeanors and municipal ordinance offenders. We collaborate with agency providers such as Florida Department of Health, Broward Health Department and Henderson Behavioral Health to provide the resources these individuals need. As of August 2019, we have graduated more than 20 defendants from the program with many more on the road to graduation within the next few months. Community Court is also in need of volunteers, please reach out to me if you would like to volunteer with this program to make a difference in the community.

Dockless Mobility Ordinance Update

The City's Transportation and Mobility Department provided an overview of proposed ordinance changes for the Dockless Mobility program. New recommendations being considered include reducing the number of operators and fleet sizes; restricting scooters on the barrier island, the Riverwalk, Las Olas Way, North New River Drive, Southeast Fifth Avenue, and Las Olas Boulevard between Andrews Avenue and Southeast 17 Street; limiting speed; implementing corrals; requiring operators to address issues quicker; and implementing a new permit application process.

Renovation of War Memorial Auditorium Moving Forward

The City Commission approved an agreement and site plan with the War Memorial Benefit Corporation, a non-profit entity of the NHL's Florida Panthers, for a major renovation of War Memorial Auditorium. Renovation plans include adding an ice rink to serve as the Florida

Panthers' main practice facility, along with a second rink for recreational hockey, youth hockey, youth figure skating and public skating. The project will also include indoor facilities to accommodate additional programming and a 3,000-seat concert venue. Fort Lauderdale



residents will receive a 15 percent discount on selected services.

\$6.9 Million Approved for Water, Wastewater and Stormwater Infrastructure Equipment

The City Commission approved a not-to-exceed total of \$6.9 million for the purchase of proprietary items including equipment, replacement parts, repairs, and services on an as needed basis from Oct. 16, 2019, through Sept. 30, 2020, for the City's water distribution, wastewater collection, and stormwater system infrastructure. Having access to available funding will enable the Public Works Department to operate more efficiently as it oversees and maintains two water treatment facilities, one regional wastewater treatment facility, over 200 sanitary sewer pump stations, four stormwater stations, 1,400 miles of underground infrastructure, 8,903 catch basins, 1,039 outfalls, and 184 miles of storm pipe.

Affordable Housing Height Bonus Approved for The Adderley project

The City Commission approved an Affordable Housing Height Bonus for The Adderley, a mixed-use project located at 501 N.W. Seventh Ave. The proposed development includes 455 residential apartments (46 affordable housing units and 409 market rate units) and 17,752 square feet of street-level commercial and retail space. The project features a dynamic streetscape with mini pocket art plazas and gathering places.

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DOWNTOWNFTL, WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU

DDA'S SECOND ANNUAL DOWNTOWNFTL RESIDENT & EMPLOYEE SURVEY

y April 1 next year, every home in the U.S. should receive an invitation to participate in the 2020 Census. This important decennial exercise for our country, as required by our Constitution, results in critical data that determines where billions of dollars in federal funding goes, how many seats each state will have in the U.S. House of Representatives, and how congressional and state legislative districts are drawn. The 2020 Census will mark the 24th time that the country has counted its population since 1790!

While perhaps a stretch of a comparison, here and now in DowntownFTL, you can tell us a bit more about yourself and what you do in the city's urban core by participating in our second annual 2019 DowntownFTL Resident & Employee Survey.

The DDA issued our first-ever online survey in 2018 to get feedback from stakeholders who live, work, go to school or visit Downtown Fort Lauderdale. The survey is completely anonymous, takes about five to six minutes to complete, and helps paint a picture of our downtown community.

Last year, nearly 800 individuals responded to the survey and the information they shared created a baseline of data that we can measure for trends year over year. Some highlights from the 2018 survey include the following:



- 30 percent live and work in DowntownFTL, while 44 percent only work or go to school in DowntownFTL.
- Ages of those who live and work in DowntownFTL are generally spread equally among four groups:
 25-34 (20 percent), 35-44 (24 percent), 45-54 (19 percent), and 55-64 (20 percent).
- 47 percent who live and work in DowntownFTL have children, and 75 percent of those children are under the age of 17.
- 60 percent who live and work in DowntownFTL have pets, and 80 percent of those have dogs.
- 70 percent feel that DowntownFTL is generally clean.
- The top three reasons that keep people living, working in or visiting DowntownFTL are:
 - 1. Restaurant selection
 - 2. Central location and convenience
 - 3. Arts and cultural events
- The top three areas for improvement in DowntownFTL are:
 - 1. Homelessness
 - 2. Availability of parking
 - 3. Housing costs
- The top three restaurant cuisines people want to see in DowntownFTL are:
 - 1. Chef-owned local restaurants
 - 2. Healthy
 - 3. Deli
- The top three amenities people want to see in DowntownFTL are:
 - 1. Movie theater
 - 2. Grocery produce
 - 3. Food hall

We hope you'll take a moment to complete our second annual 2019 DowntownFTL Resident & Employee Survey and share it with folks you know who have an interest in DowntownFTL.

Please visit https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/DDAFTL2019RW to take this year's survey and be on the lookout for results in early 2020. We can't wait to compare the results!

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NOON YEAR'S EVE at MODS

DECEMBER 31 • 10 A.M., 12 P.M., 2 P.M.

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- Hands-on fun at various activity stations
- Rocking DJ

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For more holiday events, please visit mods.org.



BY ANTHONY G. FAJARDO Director, Department of Sustainability City of Fort Lauderdale

QUESTIONS ANSWERED

CITY'S DEVELOPMENT STAFF IS HERE TO HELP — AND FOLLOWS DEVELOPMENT CODES

t's that time of year again. The holiday season is upon us and everyone starts being a little nicer to each other. It's cyclical, for sure. After this 2019 season we'll go into 2020 with bright eyes for the next year and maybe the future, but things will go back to the way things were and then we'll be looking toward the 2020 holiday season where everyone will be kinder to each other and get into the spirit only for the cycle to start over again.

If I'm sounding a little down on the holidays this year, I'm not. I love the season. I like the change in the weather, eventually. I like that we smile at each other a little more and take the time to hold the door open more frequently. I like that we help each other with a little more gusto. And, I know that people say this all the time, but wouldn't it be nice if it happened more often?

I'm going to relate this past year to what I know best — working at the City. As you've probably heard me say, and I continue to preach, working for the City of Fort Lauderdale is the best job I've ever had. I love what we do and why we do it. I love seeing the positive effects of everyone's efforts on the community and working with our neighbors to develop real solutions to real problems.

However — and this is a pretty big one — I wish the interactions staff has with all of our neighbors was always a positive one. Don't get me wrong, we have absolutely more good interactions with our neighbors than we do negative, but it'd be great if this was all the time. I pipe dream, I know. But, some of it may be because of certain misunderstandings and misconceptions about how our code works. So, I thought perhaps I could help with a quick little explanation of how it works.

For instance, there have been times when staff is blamed for specific regulations that have existed in the City ordinance for years, if not decades. The City's Unified Land Development Regulations (ULDR) and Code of Ordinances has been in its current format since 1997. The ordinance is a legal document that acts as a law. Sometimes, it allows for certain amounts of flexibility where staff can essentially make a call, sometimes it requires a higher authority to make a call, and sometimes it's a black and white issue when it comes to the language and it is what it is to a large extent. Other times we are bound by other agencies, like Broward County or the state.

The reason I bring this up is because the people I work with are some of the most dedicated people I've ever known, and they do their best under difficult situations. What everyone should understand is that we are here to help. What I'm asking is that if you interact with anyone on staff at the City of Fort Lauderdale, give them the benefit of the doubt. Let them explain the situation and try to hear it from the perspective of someone tasked with enforcing a law that was legally established. If there is room to be flexible, we'll do that. If not, we'll at least give you options to consider and may be able to come up with a way to get you at least close to what you need.

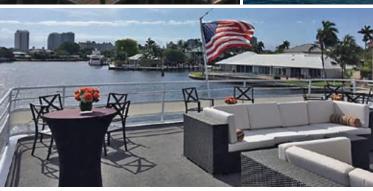
Please try and be nicer to everyone. Some people make it very hard (boy, do I have stories). But that doesn't mean we shouldn't try. Be kind, be nice, be understanding, be empathetic, and have a happy and healthy holiday season.













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TOP HACKS TO EASE HOLIDAY STRESS AND GET AROUND THE HOLIDAY WAY

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With our canal-lined streets, perfectly manicured Huizenga Plaza, and our most beloved, exquisitely lit and decorated Las Olas Boulevard, it would be nearly impossible to not feel a sense of cheer when you enter our City.

I absolutely love this time of the year in Fort Lauderdale. The weather is perfect, the familial vibe is flowing through every street and community center, and the neighborhoods are filled with bright lights and holiday cheer.

Considering I am the type of person that sets up my Christmas tree more than a month in advance, I like to plan out my errands and events for the season before I jump into the holiday hustle and bustle. Nothing brings me more dismay than traffic during the holidays when there is so much to do. I have compiled a short list of ideas and "hacks" that I like to consider and implement when I am experiencing the holidays:

Start your day early

The longer I live, the more I understand the saying, "The early bird catches the worm." In the case of holiday traffic, the early bird catches the good parking spots! Start your day early — check the holiday hours



at your favorite stores and if there is an opportunity to swing by in the morning versus the evening, do it! This practice can also help in your daily commute. Just a few minutes earlier can make the difference to avoid that peak traffic congestion.

Walk, don't run

We are living in fortunate times, where we have become a bit spoiled in the regard of being able to hop in our vehicles and "run to the store." I challenge you, if you are able bodied, consider walking to your local store to grab that one item you forgot, or that extra bottle of champagne to refill grandma's bottomless mimosas! Walking will help release some endorphins and reduce traffic congestion. If your location permits, walk it out!

Take a breath, for you

Holidays can be stressful all around, running so many errands, preparing, and attending gatherings with family and friends. Sometimes that leaves little time for ourselves. This season more then ever it is important to take a moment for yourself. A great way to do this is to go for a walk or bike ride. The activity helps to relax, burns calories from all the holiday cooking, and gives you a moment to center yourself amongst all of the craziness. But remember, be safe, follow traffic laws including using crosswalks, riding with traffic, and wearing light colored clothing if you are getting out at night. Check out the holiday lights while you are out.

Spice it up

Family may come in town, or vacation time may be scheduled. During that time, take advantage of our beautiful city and our transportation options. The Sun Trolley offers a variety of routes around the City to get you where you need to go. The Riverwalk Water Trolley is also available downtown on the New River and runs free from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. daily. There are also scooters, bike share, electric bikes, Freebies and Circuits cruising the streets, with the mission to provide fun, alternative transportation to all. Take advantage of the gems available and enjoy the ride!

On behalf of the Transportation and Mobility division, happy holidays to all. I hope this season brings you peace, blessings, good attitudes and great traffic flow. 60







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BY PHIL THORNBURG Director, Fort Lauderdale Parks and Recreation Department



HOLIDAY FESTIVITIES IN THE CITY

AN EARLY SANTA SIGHTING, KWANZAA CELEBRATION AND DOWNTOWN COUNTDOWN WILL FILL YOUR CALENDAR THIS DECEMBER

he City of Fort Lauderdale Parks and Recreation Department wishes all of your families a wonderful holiday season! To help you celebrate, we have several popular events taking place in December. From Santa to Kwanzaa to New Year's Eve, we have the perfect, family-friendly occasion for you to enjoy! As always, the best part is they're free.

Santa on the Beach

Don't miss Santa Claus' traditional candy giveaway along Fort Lauderdale Beach! Santa is coming to town on Friday, Dec. 20! The motorcade with Santa will depart



from the Fort Lauderdale
Police Department at noon
heading east along Broward
Boulevard, south on
Northwest Seventh Avenue,
east on Southwest Second
Street, south on Andrews
Avenue, east on Las Olas
Boulevard, and south on

Seabreeze Boulevard, finally arriving at Fort Lauderdale Beach Park around 12:45 p.m.

With twinkling eyes and smiling faces, Santa and his elves will begin spreading holiday cheer along Fort Lauderdale Beach Park heading north, distributing candy canes with glee. Make sure to wave if you see Santa along his route!

Kwanzaa Ujamaa

For our residents that celebrate Kwanzaa, Bass Park



will host Kwanzaa Ujamaa, an event full of cultural, family fun, on Saturday, Dec. 28 from 1 to 6 p.m. Kwanzaa Ujamaa is the fourth principle of Kwanzaa and it means cooperative

economics to build and maintain our own stores, shops and other businesses and to profit from them together. The Kwanzaa Ujamaa Marketplace is a great opportunity to build connections and community and participate in group economics while learning about Kwanzaa. This event will consist of food, crafts, and local vendors. Bass Park is located at 2750 N.W. 19th St.

Downtown Countdown

Touted as one of the largest New Year's Eve celebrations in Florida, our Orange Bowl Downtown Countdown is Fort Lauderdale's premier New Year's Eve celebration.



This year's free street festival is full of fun and excitement for both children and adults. Revelers will crowd downtown Fort Lauderdale on Tuesday, Dec. 31 from 4:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. along Southwest Second Street between Southwest Second and Southwest Fifth Avenues to wait with anticipation for the midnight countdown.

The midnight countdown will feature Fort Lauderdale's larger-than-life illuminated anchor. The anchor, which debuted in 2015, will descend down from 100 feet in the air above the event's main stage as the final seconds of 2019 tick down and we usher in the New Year.

The anchor measures 20 feet high and 17 feet wide. It weighs more than 700 pounds and features close to 12,000 LED lights. It is made of a steel framework with a grey mesh covering and is illuminated with lights positioned inside the frame. The anchor's color-changing LED lights have a wide range of features and effects which will create a spectacular visual display for event-goers.

Downtown Countdown will feature a variety of activities for the whole family from 4:30 to 8:30 p.m. including bounce houses, slides, face painting, games, contests, line dancing with DJ William Pennhouse, and free caricatures drawn by a team of talented sketch artists. Make sure to have your cameras ready to snap a selfie with special guest OBIE, the Orange Bowl Mascot, from 6 to 8 p.m.

The Kids Countdown takes place at 7 p.m. on the main stage at Southwest Second Street and Southwest Fifth Avenue, and will feature the lighting of the anchor. Once the anchor is illuminated, it will remain on, showcasing a variety of colors and effects until the countdown at midnight.

At 7:45 p.m., live music kicks off on the main stage (Southwest Second Street and Southwest Fifth Avenue). Headliner Brass Evolution treats partygoers to classic rock music with a horn section from 9:30 p.m. to 1 a.m.

For more information on our upcoming events, check us out on Facebook (@playfortlauderdale) or on Instagram and Twitter (@playlauderdale), or visit www.fortlauderdale.gov/events.



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LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

8 PM - I AM

COUNTDOWN TO 2020

Midnight











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If you're in need of ideas, a great place to look is artscalendar.com, Broward County's guide to the arts, with times and locations for theater, music, dance, visual arts and museums, film and videos, poetry and literature, and all kinds of kids and family activities.

Still searching for the perfect gift? We've got you covered. There's something in the arts for everyone. Here are some more ideas:

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- **NSU Art Museum Fort Lauderdale** for unique jewelry, art books, home design items, artful scarves, handbags and exhibition-themed merchandise (nsuartmuseum.org)
- Museum of Discovery and Science's Explore Store for crystal-growing kits, books, puzzles, and other items sure to capture a child's imagination (mods.org)
- ArtServe's gift store features locally made artwork and cards (ArtServe.org)
- IS Projects, a printmaking and arts studio where you can buy books, journals, art prints, cards and posters; or treat someone to a workshop where you can learn about indigo dyeing, marbling, letterpress printing on t-shirts or how to make your own holiday cards (isProjectsfl.com)
- Visit art walks for more local goods (FatVillage.com)

EXPERIENCE

- Thinking Cap Theatre, which presents thoughtprovoking plays and performances at The Vanguard (VanguardArts.org); pick up tickets for an upcoming show or gift someone a season pass, which includes the opportunity to attend a rehearsal and a free glass of wine for \$135
- Sarah Glass Ceramics, where you can purchase handmade ceramics or gift a pottery class for all levels at \$50 (Sarah Glass Ceramics.com)
- Symphony of the Americas performs all season at the Broward Center for the Performing Arts and tickets at select shows start at just \$20 (SyymphonyoftheAmericas.org)

- D.A.R.T. (Dillard Center for the Arts) Foundation which helps students reach their artistic potential; buy tickets to "The Chocolate Nutcracker" or Elton John's awardwinning musical "Aida" with performances through February (SupportDART.org)
- Stranahan House boasts a lineup of festive happenings through the New Year, including "Holiday River Tours" and "History Happy Hours" (StranahanHouse.org)
 - Sunrise Pops opens its 33rd season Nov. 24 presenting music from "Back to the Future," The Beach Boys, Funny Girl medley and more with season subscriptions for \$75 (SunrisePops. org)
- Art Fort Lauderdale, the art fair on the water hosted Jan. 23 through 26, where guests traverse the intracoastal waterways to curated homes (artftlauderdale.com)
- Stonewall National Museum and Archives for ongoing exhibitions, events and opportunities that preserve the LGBTQ culture (stonewall-museum.org)

And More (gift certificate ideas)

- Music or dance lessons
- Local breweries that sell locally, and artisan made beers, etc.
- Co-working spaces like the new Creative Café by Capital One on Las Olas
- Remember that the gift of membership to local institutions like NSU Art Museum or Young at Art Museum in Davie, gives the gift of year-long activities, events and discounts.

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PROFITS AND PURPOSE

THE HOLIDAY'S WINTER SEASON EVENTS BRING ECONOMIC BENEFITS

is the holiday season, and it's an economically bountiful one for the Greater Fort Lauderdale region. Our community can take pride in the number of developments, events and new openings that make this part of South Florida an exciting and enduring place to live, work and play.

The Seminole Hard Rock Winterfest Boat Parade marks our community's traditional holiday kickoff with "The Greatest Show on H2O." Typically, more than a million viewers line the Intracoastal Waterway's 12-mile parade route to catch a glimpse of the holiday decorated boats. The event's economic impact? More than \$50 million. Talk about good cheer.

Our region is now home to the world's very first guitar-shaped hotel, a venue that will help our local tourism economy. The Seminole Hard Rock Hotel and Casino just opened the new \$1.5 billion structure that houses 638 luxury guest rooms and suites as part of a larger renovation of the resort. The changes have already created 1,200 new jobs, and once up and running, the hotel and casino's economic impact is expected to be huge.

Of course, sports have always been big draws to our area, and during this holiday season our community is

fortunate enough to prepare for not one but two major events – the annual Orange Bowl and, the granddaddy of American championship contests, Super Bowl LIV.

The Orange Bowl is a South Florida institution. The bowl brings major NCAA Division I college football competition to our area every year. Last year's Orange Bowl Festival generated \$261 million in new economic impact and media exposure value for South Florida, drew 67,000 visitors to the area and generated 93,300 hotel room nights throughout the South Florida region.

The economic benefits are even higher when it comes to the Super Bowl, which is huge for any community. Ours is no exception. The 54th annual Super Bowl will be held in February at Hard Rock Stadium. Localities face fierce competition in landing the rights to host a Super Bowl, often making huge public investments to attract the championship game to their city. A typical Super Bowl will contribute about \$343 million to the Minneapolis-St. Paul economy, including \$29 million in tax revenue, according to economic impact studies of Super Bowl LII. We anticipate doing even better here during the month of February in balmy South Florida.

Our region is blessed with wintertime events that help fuel our economy. Fortunately, those same events

> include programs that help the young and the less fortunate have a better way of life.

Besides providing college scholarships and investing in youth sports, the Orange Bowl Committee hosts an annual Food and Wine Celebration, which features food and signature cocktails from 30 of South Florida's finest restaurants. Proceeds from the event go to Make-A-Wish Southern Florida, Special Olympics Florida and the Orange Bowl Leadership Academy. The NFL also uses food with its annual Party with a Purpose, an event that brings celebrities, prominent chefs, NFL players and coaches to fight hunger. To date, the party has raised \$26 million for food banks and hungerrelated nonprofits in Miami and 31 other NFL communities.

The bottom line? Our winter-season events bring forth profits and purpose. They obviously help our economy, but they also add meaning to what makes living in South Florida so special.







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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



FILL YOUR CALENDAR WITH FESTIVE HOLIDAY EVENTS

HERE'S A CURATED ROUNDUP OF SOME OF THE NOT-TO-MISS DECEMBER HAPPENINGS

f you've ever been away from home during Christmas, Chanukah or New Year's Eve, you may have found yourself looking for an outing or event that would help instill a holiday spirit that is otherwise missing. Offering visitors a chance to celebrate a holiday while traveling is an important gift every town can offer, and as a popular December destination for out-of-towners, Fort Lauderdale does not disappoint its tourists, or its resident revelers, with a plethora of options.

The Polar Express

Through Dec. 29: Enjoy the re-creation of the classic children's story onboard a Brightline passenger train, with hot chocolate, special treats, dancing chefs, a reading of the book by Chris Van Allsburg, and the first gift of Christmas — a silver sleigh bell, delivered after Santa boards the train to greet families. Attendants lead guests in caroling and fun holiday activities on the return trip to the station. Visit www. ftlthepolarexpressride.com to get your golden ticket and secure your spot on the "nice" list!

The 57th Annual Christmas on Las Olas

Dec. 3: Holiday magic in downtown Fort Lauderdale will transform Las Olas Boulevard into an urban winter wonderland for the 57th year. A timeless tradition and a wonderful kick-off to the holiday season that can be enjoyed by all ages, Christmas on Las Olas runs from 5 to 10 p.m. and is free and open to the public. Local



school and church choirs provide sounds of the holidays, while crowds enjoy special sips and sweets.

A Christmas Story, The Musical

Dec. 13 through 29: Be careful or you'll shoot your eye out, kid! Relive all the captivating moments of "A Christmas Story" set to music and presented by jetBLUE and the Slow Burn Theater Co. Choose from dozens of morning, matinee, and evening shows at the Amaturo Theater at the Broward Center for the Performing Arts. Tickets are available at www.ticketmaster.com.

Winterfest

Dec. 14: Named one of the top 20 parades in the world by the International Festival and Events Association, the Seminole Hard Rock Winterfest Boat Parade is known as the greatest show on H2O! Now in its 48th year, the parade starts at Stranahan House in downtown Fort Lauderdale at 6:30 p.m. The 12-mile parade takes approximately two-and-a-half hours to view from one location. Every size vessel imaginable will be adorned with hundreds of thousands of lights, with music, entertainment, decorations, celebrities, musical groups, beauty queens and more.

Victorian Christmas and Holiday River Tours

Select dates from Dec. 16 through 23: Experience the elegance of a Victorian Christmas with a guided tour of the Historic Stranahan House Museum, built in 1901. Enjoy costumed docents, live music, and beautiful décor followed by a Holiday River Tour to view the festive holiday lights on stunning homes along the New River.

Chanukah Festival of Lights

Dec. 22: Starting with an exotic car parade at noon, the Chanukah Festival of Lights begins at 2 p.m. at the Las Olas Chabad Jewish Center located at 1302 Las Olas Blvd.

Downtown Countdown

Dec. 31: Hosted by the City of Fort Lauderdale, the New Year's Eve Downtown Countdown begins at 4:30 p.m. and continues until 1 a.m., featuring live entertainment, DJ, and a Kids Zone with face painting, games, caricatures, magic tricks, and a special Kids Countdown.

It's a wonderful time of year no matter where you are, but it's easy to be filled with the spirit of the season here in Fort Lauderdale. 1

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DECORATE YOUR HOME WITH PIECES FROM THE PAST

DANIELS ANTIQUES REVITALIZES THE DYING ART OF ANTIQUES

n a world full of home décor stores like Pottery Barn, Williams Sonoma and Home Goods, it's difficult to find those finishing pieces that give your space a comfortable feeling without it looking similar to everyone else's abode. So, when it comes to turning your house into a home, don't buy yet another fake succulent in a decorative planter made in China. Instead, visit one of the last family owned antique stores like Daniels Antiques on Las Olas to find something wholly unique for your home.

Daniels Antiques was first founded in 1976 by Michael Daniels after he moved to South Florida from England. "My father at a very early age moved to Canada and sold vintage posters," said Jonathon Daniels, owner of Daniels Antiques on Las Olas.

"After that he eventually moved back to England where he started buying antique English furniture. It was then that he came up with the idea to open up a store in South Florida where he could import antiques from England."

The Daniels family quickly became one of the few business owners in the area to offer customers the opportunity to purchase authentic high quality 18th and 19th century English furniture right here in South Florida. Soon after finding success in selling antique furniture, Michael expanded the profitable antique store into a family business by bringing on his two sons, Jonathon and Simon, as co-owners and operators of the store. The family even went on to open a second location in Aspen, Colorado, now run by Michael and Simon, where they specialize in Swiss Black Forest carvings.

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Aside from binoculars, Daniels Antiques also sells antique items such as vintage Louis Vuitton pieces, 19th century barware and glasses, French industrial clocks, vintage gaming and gambling sets, and much more.

Many of the pieces found in the Daniels' galleries even date back 40, 50 or more than 100 years old. "Some of these antique pieces can never be made again today because we don't have the craftsmanship. So, I believe that's what makes these pieces that much more special and unique," said Jonathon.

So, whether you're considering adding a unique decorative piece to your home or looking for something out of the ordinary to give as a holiday gift consider visiting an antique store like Daniels Antiques. "If you buy something from us it's always going to be of the finest quality but it's also a rarity and a collectible. Each piece has a story behind it," Jonathon said. ⁽¹⁾

Small Business Stats DANIELS ANTIQUES

Owners: Michael Daniels, Jonathon Daniels and Simon Daniels

Founded: 1976

Fun fact: Michael and Simon Daniels are regarded as experts in the field of Swiss Black Forest carvings. They even co-authored a book on the subject with Jay Arenski called "Swiss Wood Carvings: The Art of the Black Forest."

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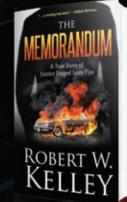
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CELESTIAL CELEBRATIONS

HEAVENLY EVENTS TO KEEP IN YOUR ORBIT

WRITER JOANNA KENTOLALL

ecember is full of holiday happenings based on traditions going back generations. But there are even older traditions that are inspiring new events that take place all year long.

Since the beginning of time and all over the world, mankind has looked to the skies to revel in the sun, the moon and the stars. That custom continues today with a fresh take on celestial celebrations.

THE SUN

How about starting your day with a salutation to the rising sun? The sun salutation is a graceful series of yoga movements that you can practice during sunrise yoga on the beach with Fort Lauderdale Beach Yoga and Fitness.

The Saturday classes are open to all levels and include breathing and meditation to help you greet the day in scenic beauty while feeling energized in body, mind and spirit.

If you'd rather watch the sun set instead of rise, the Symphony of the Americas offers a Serenade at Sunset monthly through March. As colorful twilight descends, musicians performs everything from classical pieces to Broadway standards at the Sonesta Fort Lauderdale Beach hotel.

Another sunset option comes by way of the Water Taxi. Special sailings such as the Sunset Wine and Cheese Cruise, and Sips at Sunset let you enjoy the kaleidoscope of colors over the horizon with your favorite beverage in hand. The Riverside Hotel's Boathouse Restaurant has previously offered specials before boarding for an early start to the festivities.

For a more active role out on the water, Park and Ocean at Hugh Taylor Birch State Park offers sunset kayaking on Fridays for a unique view of the setting sun

THE MOON

If you gravitate toward the full moon, Park and Ocean also offers monthly full moon kayaking with tour guides to help you navigate the seas as the moonlight dances on the water.

You can do a little dancing of your own in the livelier atmosphere of Tsukuro on Fort Lauderdale Beach. The restaurant says their name translates to "where the moon arrives over the water" and seems a perfect fit for this seaside venue that incorporates music, glow sticks and dancers.



THE STARS

A close up look at the stars is available at the Broward College Buehler Planetarium during Wednesday night Evening Observations. Why not wish upon a star as you gaze up at planets and the moon in stunning detail at the observatory?

You can even add a little art into the mix with the NSU Art Museum's First Starry Nights. Exhibitions and art workshops are offered every first Thursday of the month.

This is just a small sampling of what our little corner of the universe has to offer. Please check with individual organizations for details. But the truth is you don't need a special event for a celestial celebration. Just step outside anytime on the Riverwalk and enjoy the sun, the moon, and the stars. Whether waiting in anticipating for the sunrise, watching in awe as it fades away, or basking in the light of the full moon and shining stars, there's a stunning show every day of the year!



SIP, SAMPLE AND SUPPORT

JA WORLD UNCORKED CELEBRATES 10TH ANNIVERSARY WITH CULINARY SIGNATURE EVENT

WRITER ROSE FARAONE

A World Uncorked — one of South Florida's favorite culinary events — started just over 10 years ago.

Back in 2009, a group of 10 women joined together to create a fundraiser for Junior Achievement of South Florida's educational programs.

That group of 10 women is now the Circle of Wise Women and has grown to more than 100 strong.

This January, JA World Uncorked will celebrate its 10th anniversary of this signature event. In celebration

of the achievement, chairs for the Jan. 18 event will be a collaboration of all previous 10 years' chairs.

JA World Uncorked is a culinary showcase where guests sample gourmet bites prepared by South Florida chefs. Held at JA World Huizenga Center at the Lillian S. Wells Pavilion in Coconut Creek, visitors stroll through 60,000 square feet and sample more than 35 restaurants and 35 beverage partners along with specialty lounges. The unique annual event features a selection of wine, spirits, specialty cocktails and craft beers from Breakthru Beverage and Funky Buddha. Guests enjoy live music, dancing, raffles, a silent auction and more.

The event was designed to allow guests to explore JA World including JA Biztown and JA Finance Park rather than have to sit at tables and listen to long speeches like at most charity events. And while visitors enjoy savory bites and maybe a sample of fine wine or spirits or even a craft beer, they know they are contributing to educate our community's youth.

The Circle of Wise Women has raised more than \$4 million for Junior Achievement of South Florida since its inception.

The centers on the Broward College North Campus are home to experiential learning that teach students financial literacy, work readiness skills and entrepreurship.

"The training provided by



Junior Achievement is essential for the success of our youth," says Loraine Thomas, a founding Circle of Wise Women member and JA World Uncorked sponsor. Every child has a different learning style and pace. Each child is unique, not only capable of learning but also capable of succeeding. Junior Achievement's programs help prepare young people for the real world.

And these women believe that Wise Women can change education. ①



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JA World Uncorked

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GIVING BACK TO THE COMMUNITY

WINTERFEST IS JUST GETTING STARTED WITH ITS CHARITABLE FOUNDATION.

WRITER LYNN STOCK

he festive shimmering boats that sail down the New River each December is what Winterfest is known for.

But throughout the year, the organization has supported various charitable organizations throughout Fort Lauderdale.

So why not make all this charitable giving official with the addition of a foundation?





That's the thinking that went into the Winterfest, Inc. board's decision to create The Winterfest Foundation.

"Winterfest is 48 years old this year, and a few years ago it dawned on many of our board members that we'd been doing a lot of things already under a charitable umbrella," said Lisa Scott-Founds, Winterfest President & CEO. "Throughout the years, we've always helped other charities."

Founded in 2017, The Winterfest Foundation 501(c)3 was created to focus on education, arts and culture in public places, water safety and assisting other charitable efforts.

This year's foundation events included:

Captain Lee Premier Event benefitting
Hope4HopeTown: Proceeds went toward
reconstruction efforts in the Northern Islands of the
Bahamas from Hurricane Dorian.

Winterfest Foundation Junior Captain Contest: This year's Junior Captain is 13-year-old Emma Sorenson nominated by Make-A-Wish Southern Florida. Nearly 65,000 social media views created awareness of Broward County charities that submitted nominees.

The Winterfest Junior Captain was created as a legacy to 15-year-old Amanda Blake, who battled osteosarcoma, a rare form of bone cancer. This year marks the 11th annual Jr. Captain program powered by FPL.

Student Art Contest and Gallery Reception:

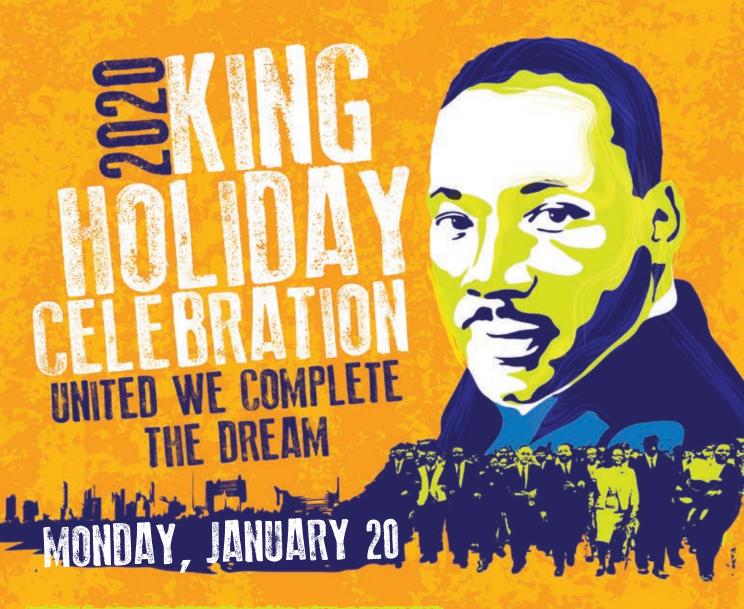
To support arts in education, Winterfest hosts an annual student art contest. "We give scholarships and recognize third to fifth graders in Broward County Public schools, homeschoolers and private schools," Scott-Founds said. "We award cash prizes for students and funding to the teachers for art supplies."

The art contest's gallery has grown so large that it is now held at the Museum of Discovery & Science.

Future plans

The foundation plans scholarships for marine industries certifications at Broward College.. "Our marine history is so important here, and there are so many available jobs," she said. "We're seeing how we can help these students be able to start a career early on."

"We're exploring ideas with the Marine Industries Association of South Florida, how we can create some sort of a water safety program. Since we are a brand new foundation, we are excited about the opportunities to expand and develop in this area for our community."

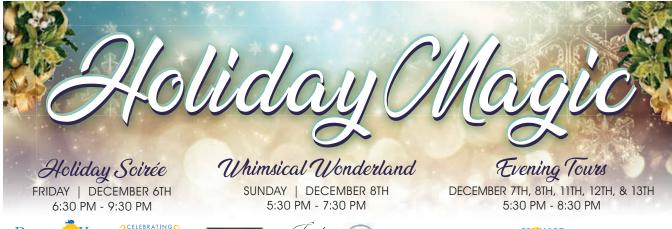


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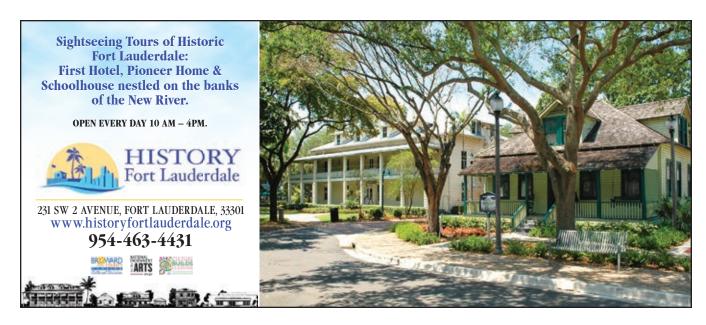


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WRITERS PENNY SANFILIPPO & JONNY ALTOBELL — THE UGLY SISTERS & RENÉE K. OUINN

he thing that struck us most on entering Big City Tavern is that it feels real. No cold post-modern-industrial-contrived techno-warehouse look, thank you! More like a real corner tavern with origins in the beginning of the 20th century. Brick walls, varied art pieces everywhere, tables with comfy chairs, intimate tufted banquettes and high-tops are all there, and it works!

This is the "real Las Olas" experience that we have come to expect from the Big Time Restaurant Group — owners of Louie Bossi and Rocco's Tacos (and others).

Steven Zobel is the executive chef at this Las Olas eatery and bar and was gracious enough to grant us some time to talk about his foray into South Florida. A New Yorker, he found he liked not only the weather (who doesn't?), but the opportunity. So in 2015, when the job offer came, he felt the time was right for he and his young family to make a move. (Learn more about Chef Steven in the Q&A on the next page.)

Chef Steven and the other creative culinary forces change much of the menu to highlight seasonal specialties. Although there are certainly excellent Italian choices, they recognize that there is such a large Italian restaurant presence on Las Olas that their guests would appreciate something else. This might include Florida snapper (and there are more types than you think), mahimahi or stone crabs.

Mango season is a happy time for Chef Steven — and he takes full advantage of any tropical influence, including his Caribbean "rundown" — a seafood stew with coconut milk, plantains, peppers, fish and shrimp, served in a cast iron skillet. The jerk chicken is a treat as well. The fall season might also feature northern specialties like





venison, served with sweet potatoes and maple glazed Brussels sprouts.

Thick-cut fries have a cult following and are available with truly innovative toppings. What's not to love about great fries with anything? The sourdough focaccia bread is made on premises each day from a starter they call "Irma," named after the hurricane. Pastries aren't named, but are also made onsite in the Big City Tavern kitchen.

Since this month's magazine theme is Holidays, we asked the chef about how he celebrates the holidays. He confessed that as a Jewish child he had "Christmas tree envy" and when he married his wife, her Catholic upbringing was a great reason for a tree in their house. A double bonus: as she is originally from Alaska, King Crab Legs appear on a holiday table. And like all of us who have been in food service, sometimes it's nice to have someone else cook. He says his mom always starts the Thanksgiving meal, but he often finishes it.

The Big City Tavern has seating for 190 (including bar seating) and opens at 11:30 a.m. Mondays through Fridays, and at 11 a.m. Saturdays and Sundays. Brunch is served on both Saturday and Sunday.

Closing times are a delight for any night owl -2 a.m. each day and 3 a.m. on Fridays and Saturdays. Unlike many other busy food service establishments, the management of Big City Tavern is thoughtful to their employees, and close for both Thanksgiving and Christmas Day.

ABOUT BIG CITY TAVERN RESTAURANT & BAR

Big City Tavern is a classic American restaurant serving the best food-for-your-mouth cuisine along with



a "big time" beer list. Big City Tavern's menu features fresh seafood, steaks, pasta, salads and more. Each day, desserts, pastas, breads and gelato are all house-made. Chef Steven Zobel and his team hand select fresh, top sourced ingredients to craft daily specials, as well as the dishes that have established the restaurant as a local favorite.

WHAT'S NEW?

Big City Tavern Restaurant & Bar, a Big Time Restaurant Group restaurant, has expanded its menu with a new section, Big City Hand-Cut Fries. Chef Steven Zobel has created Hand-Cut Fries with Tavern Beer Cheese and Gravy, Bacon and Scallions; Hand-Cut Fries with Wasabi with Sriracha, Micro Cilantro and Toasted Sesame Seeds: and Truffle Parmesan Hand-Cut Fries

with Truffle Oil. Also new to the menu is a New York Strip Steak Sandwich with six ounces of New York Strip, Swiss Cheese, Peppercorn Sauce, Crispy Onion Rings on a Toasted Roll with Fries. @



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CHEF STEVEN ZOBEL

THE CHEF SERIES INTERVIEW WITH SPIRITED SOUTH FLORIDA

Tell me about yourself.

I'm a born and bred New Yorker who moved to Florida eight years ago and fell in love with the lifestyle.

What is your go-to/favorite meal to prepare?

I really love to cook all foods. For me there is no better feeling then to just get it perfect whether it be roast chicken or a pasta bolognese.

What is your favorite culinary memory?

I was a young cook working

at the Black Dog Tavern in Martha's Vineyard and I personally cooked a meal for President Clinton, Hillary and Chelsea. It was a little nerve racking as the Secret Service was everywhere and his food was tasted before it went to him. He had the Bonita. We all met him and received presidential M&Ms.

What music complements your cooking style?

I like to think it would be reengineered classic rock. My cooking is based on classic combinations with a modern day twist.

What is your favorite kitchen utensil?

Vacuum pack machine. Great storage, sous vide, and is amazing as a flash infuser.

What is your favorite style of craft cocktail?

I love Manhattans.

What trend excites you most about today's culinary scene?

I like the fact that people are taking pride in healthy local ingredients.

If you weren't a chef, where would you be today?

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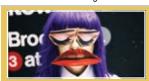
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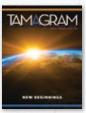






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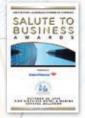




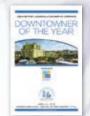


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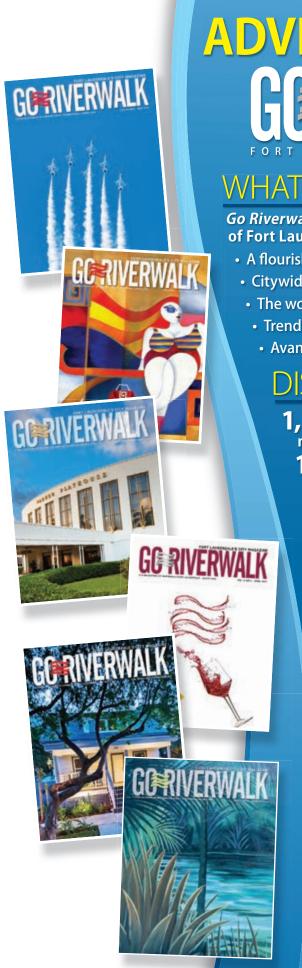




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When Sarah brought her 2-year-old daughter, Vivienne, to the Emergency Room at Salah Foundation Children's Hospital, she didn't expect to learn that her daughter had cancer. After the diagnosis, hematology and oncology teams worked to help little Vivienne fight her disease. Today, she's an energetic 6-year-old who has been in remission since 2017.

Salah Foundation Children's Hospital is dedicated to caring for children of all ages. With a passion for caring, our team offers hope and healing through the following services:

- · Child Life Services
- · Comprehensive Pediatric Diabetes Center · Pediatric Emergency Department
- Hematology Oncology
- · Neonatal Intensive Care Unit Level III
- · Pediatric Acute Care & Medical/Surgical Treatment
- · Pediatric Intensive Care Unit Level I
- Pediatric Sedation

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