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TO MARKET, TWO MARKETS

Two markets will debut at Las Olas Oceanside Park late January, bringing locals & visitors a long-desired amenity steps from Fort Lauderdale's shores.



The Music & Makers Market will coincide with the weekly Friday Night Sound Waves Concerts, and feature a mix of handmade and homemade goods. Saturday's Farmers, Antiques and Artisan Market will take over the park's greenspace at Las Olas and A1A from 9 am-4 pm, with a thoughtfully curated array of market fare, including fresh produce, seafood, cheese, baked items, plants, artisanal products and more.

"We are delighted to be a part of the launch activities at Las Olas Oceanside Park," stated Claire Tomlin, Founder & CEO, The Market Company. "There is a wealth of talent in South Florida, and we look forward to bringing a unique market experience to visitors and locals while enhancing the natural draw of the beach and businesses."

Throughout the inaugural season, which will run Jan. 24 -June 27, a variety of activities led by local businesses, area non-profits and art organizations aim to provide a little something extra for everyone.

"Our goal with Friday Night Sound Waves was to create a sense of community." noted Arianne Glassman, who along with the support of the City's Beach Improvement District is spearheading these efforts. "It's an exciting time on Fort Lauderdale Beach, and apropos, we start 2020 with an expansion of the concept, and new vision of the future."

To view the complete schedule of events, activites, market vendors and more, visit www.MvFTLB.com





Complementing the Saturday Market, South Florida's leading Yoga teacher Lisa Pumper and team will host yoga on the lawn at 8:30 am, followed on select days by Young At Art presenting a variety of art activities and collab projects for children and families from 10 - 2,



ON THE HORIZON

January

- 8 Fort Lauderdale Beach Sweep Las Olas & A1A
- Full Moon Rooftop Party Bo's Beach
- 11 Yoga Expo Broward County Convention Center
- 11 Howl at the [Full] Moon Party Tsukuro
- 12 Serenades at Sunset Sonesta Fort Lauderdale Beach
- 23 Concert Under the Stars Bonnet House



ART Fort Lauderdale, the revolutionary art fair hosted at waterfront properties along Fort Lauderdale's intracoastal waterways, returns for its 4th installment, January 23 - 26.

- 25 Seven Seas Gala The Westin Fort Lauderdale Beach
- 25 IGFA 36th Annual Auction The Ritz-Carlton
- 26 Publix A1A Marathon Fort Lauderdale Beach

View a complete calendar of events and ongoing weekly experiences, at www.MyFTLB.com







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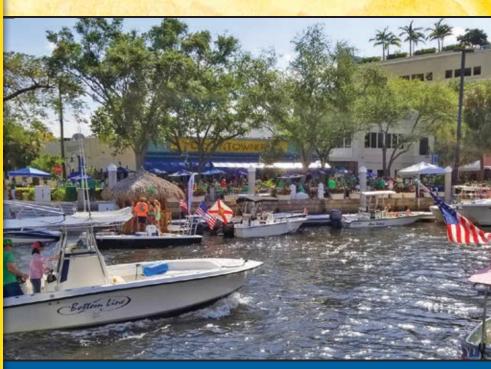
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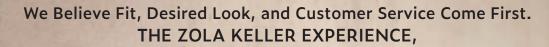












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CHELSEA - \$775,000

27TH FLOOR WITH OUTSTANDING RIVER, POOL & CITY FROM THIS 2BR/2.5
BATH BEAUTIFULLY DECORATED CHELSEA MODEL. NUMEROUS UPGRADES
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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.

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1BR/1BATH

PANORAMIC RIVER, CITY & OCEAN VIEWS! LARGEST 1 BEDROOM FLOOR PLAN RESIDENCE IN THE DESIRED "01" STACK! S/S APPLIANCES, TILE FLOORING, GOURMET KITCHEN, GRANITE COUNTERTOPS AND MUCH MORE!

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FIESTA

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



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

SKYVIEW - \$449,000

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

SKYVIEW - \$439,000

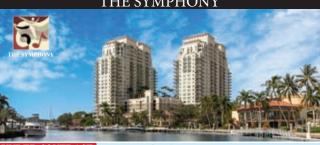
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1 BEDROOM, 1 BATH WITH CITY & RIVER VIEWS. GOURMET KITCHEN, GRANITE COUNTERS, CERAMIC TILE THROUGHOUT AND MORE.

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3BR/2 BATH - \$719,000

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

NEW LISTING

2BR/2 BATH - \$350,000

TURN KEY IMPECCABLE UNIT. 2 BALCONIES WITH GREAT VIEWS, OPEN KITCHEN, ITALIAN CABINETRY, S/S APPLIANCES, AND MUCH MORE.

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.

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2BR/2 BATH

SPLIT FLOOR PLAN WITH GOURMET KITCHEN, WOOD FLOORS THROUGHOUT, CUSTOM WINDOW TREATMENTS, CUSTOM BUILT OUT CLOSETS AND MORE.

BY JOHN ROPES Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale Chair



2019 ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND 2020 GOALS

TUNNEL TOP PARK, A 9/11 MONUMENT, AND IMPROVEMENTS THROUGH THE PUBLIC SAFETY BOND AND PARKS BOND

appy New Year!
2019 was a great year for the Riverwalk District and the City of Fort Lauderdale.

- Voters approved \$100 million in bonds allocated to build a new police headquarters and \$200 million for citywide improvements to our parks and recreation facilities. The Parks Bond goals also included other important improvements, such as addressing the sea-level rise by raising the height of seawalls along Riverwalk.
- On Nov. 13, 2019, Riverwalk was honored as the recipient of the City of Fort Lauderdale's 41st Annual Community Appearance Award for the Riverwalk Information Kiosk.

Riverwalk is ushering in the New Year with many improvements beginning in the first quarter.

- The final review of the Tunnel Top Park renovation is in progress and development is projected to begin.
 This renovation will connect Laura Ward Riverwalk Plaza and Tunnel Top Plaza through improvements to Las Olas Boulevard and Southeast Fourth Street.
- Riverwalk was selected to receive a historical segment of the World Trade Center wreckage and will display this item built into a beautiful 9/11 monument, which is central to the Riverwalk District. Riverwalk has an active capital campaign to raise the funds required to construct this historic monument, intended for the first quarter of this year. You can find further details regarding its design and construction, as well as how you may help sponsor this great addition to Riverwalk at www.goriverwalk.com/9-11-monument.

Looking ahead to 2020 And of course, we are kicking off the New Year with exciting events! The 32nd Annual Las Olas Art Fair will be held Jan. 4 and 5, the ninth Annual Riverwalk Stone Crab & Seafood Festival will be held in Esplanade Park on Jan. 11, and Jan. 20 is the King Holiday Celebration honoring the great Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. with a parade starting at Lincoln Park and ending at Esplanade Park.

Watch for more information for the upcoming First Annual New River Fest on Feb. 8. See the events section for many ongoing monthly events as well.

Happy New Year and see you out on the Riverwalk!





BY GENIA DUNCAN ELLIS

President/CEO
Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale



OUR CITY'S MULTIPLE FACETS

WHO WE ARE AND WHERE WE WANT TO GO

mage making means many things — positive change is the idea most choose to describe it. Images are made by community input, investment, long-range planning and above all, knowing who you are and who you would like to be.

Fort Lauderdale has had multiple images over time from spring break chaos to desired residency and international tourist destination. The wonderful location, weather and valuable assets certainly give us a great foundation to build upon. From a tourist destination in its early days, Fort Lauderdale is known for so much more. History, technology, sciences, arts and just plain beauty are pieces of what make up this growing urban community. Our waterways set us apart from most cities and the abundance of easy access to airport and seaport movement as well as the addition of Brightline and other transportation options provide great ease and options.

We are seeing a resurgence of entertainment and athletic options in the city. The recent agreement with our soccer group Inter Miami is set to be on time for a home opener in March, and our local hockey team, the Florida Panthers, is building a new practice facility in Holiday Park.

Gourmet restaurants and dining options are growing and offer a cultural variety of foods. We are now a destination for fine dining and for dining events.

Diverse cultural options include Broward Center for Performing Arts, Parker Playhouse and other theater options. NSU Museum of Art, Museum of Science and Discovery, ArtServe and locations along Las Olas Boulevard and through FAT Village and Mass District feature our talented locals. History is spread through our community including History Fort Lauderdale, Historic Stranahan House & Museum, Fort Lauderdale Woman's Club and a number of other properties that tell our stories.

Lovely passive parks that feature beautiful and exotic plants such as Stranahan Park, Bonnet House and others provide an attractive respite in the City. More active community centers and multiple playgrounds and parks are spread throughout our City but with the influx of new residents, more green space and activations are needed. Our residents and tourists continue to use our park system and enjoy the variety of offerings that come from all segments.

The job market is strong with increasing numbers of openings and a growing education system that

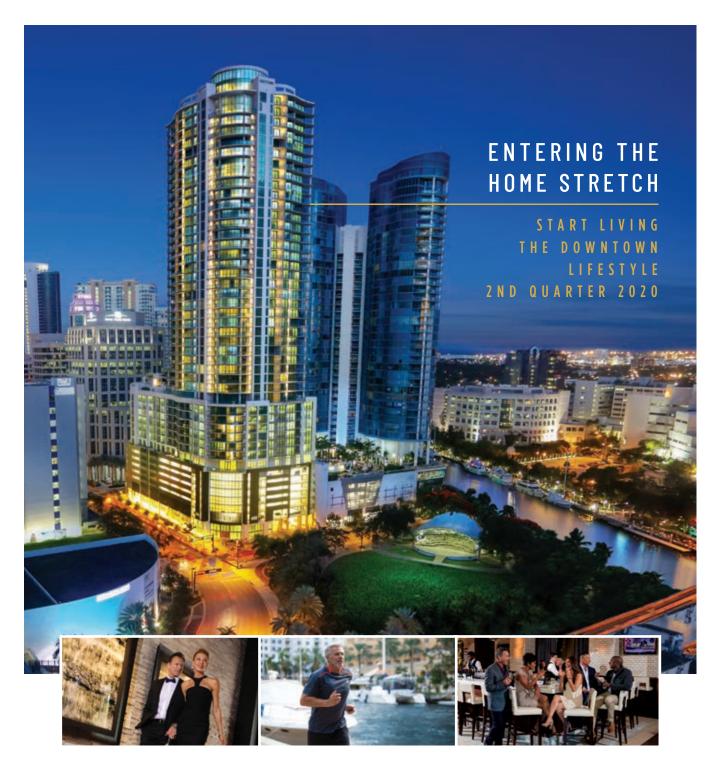
provides technical as well as collegelevel options to train our next generation. Numbers of businesses continue to grow and with the ever-present marine industry, our image proceeds to change and show different facets of our city.

In this new year, more people will move into our core Downtown, and services, restaurants and additional forms of entertainment will come along with that growth.

Images are merely pictures, but in the end, they tell a story about who you are and where you are going.

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○ A South Florida native and a child of entrepreneurs, it's a safe assumption to say that the desire to build a business was in my blood. In fact, I won the DECA Entrepreneur

of the Year award in high school and placed in the top 10 nationally after presenting a 45-page business plan. These accomplishments convinced me that the traditional college route was not for me, so I opened my own gourmet gift basket company right out of high school.

I sold Baskets of Joy in 2002 and went to work for a gourmet food wholesaler while simultaneously starting a family. It was during this time that I first learned about the need for long-term care insurance when my father became ill. Insurance saved my family from financial bleed.

While making some changes to my insurance policies, my agent asked me if I would have an interest in working for him. While this is a career I had never previously considered, I knew how pleased I was with their products and services. So in 2011, I joined Northwestern Mutual and am now a district director with a diversified team of financial professionals. I hold all of the licenses available to a financial advisor including the Series 26 and greatly enjoy helping my clients through their various life stages.

When not working, I love spending time with my two boys and am very involved with the Boys & Girls Club. I admire the work Riverwalk does in the community and I am happy to support them and their mission.



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• I have come to believe that opportunity exists all around us and that we must seek it out to be successful in every aspect of our life. Combine this with a positive attitude and almost

anything is possible. This belief system not only helped me to become the first woman of color appointed to the University of Florida Board of Trustees, it is also something I share with the at-risk high school girls I work with at Women of Tomorrow. As a mentor, I help them through all four years of their educational journey so they can become the leaders of tomorrow.

Opportunity is also how I transitioned into my current role at FPL. After earning my Juris Doctorate from the University of Florida and practicing law for many years, I had the privilege of working in the General Counsel's Department prior to becoming the Director of Corporate External Affairs. In addition to working with local and county officials, I also oversee FPL's corporate citizenship initiatives in Broward and Southwest Florida. Everyone on my team is on the board of directors at a local nonprofit. We all love giving back to the community and often seek out unique and transformative experiences to help us grow as individuals. Riverwalk is one of those unique organizations that help to bring life to our Downtown, which is why I am proud to be a member.

Outside of work and my community service, I love all things fashion and collect unique jewelry and clothing. Travel is also another passion; so let's discuss our favorite destinations at the next Riverwalk event.

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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Light Up Lauderdale and the annual tree lighting in Esplanade Park officially kicked off the holidays in Fort Lauderdale on Nov. 18. Children enjoyed the pony rides, petting zoo, train rides and shared their wish lists with Santa Claus. Mayor Dean Trantalis, Commissioner Ben Sorensen and Vice Mayor Robert McKenzie also were on hand to officially kick off the holiday season. Holiday music, arts and crafts, food trucks and holiday vendors



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Fort Lauderdale Symphonic Winds performance



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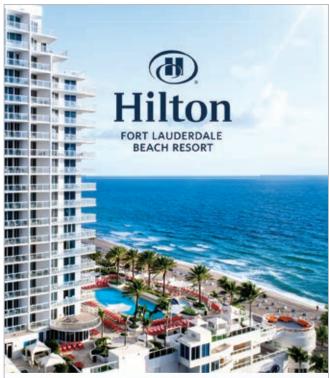






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RIVERWALK POWER MIXER

On Dec. 9, more than 100 Riverwalk Trustee members, corporate partners and guests enjoyed an evening of networking and learning about the latest happenings on the Riverwalk. NAI/Merin Hunter Codman, the management company for 1 East Broward, hosted the event, which was sponsored by Hotwire Communications, Linda Buccilli of Northwestern Mutual and United Claims Specialists.



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CURRENT ROAD CONDITIONS

CITY PARTNERS WITH BROWARD METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION TO MANAGE TRAFFIC

hope that everyone had a great holiday season and have been enjoying the cooler weather. With the onset of winter, Fort Lauderdale also has seen the arrival of snowbirds and a greater numbers of tourists.

That, of course, will bring more traffic on our streets. Congestion on our roadways has been a major issue facing our City. The City Commission recently signed an agreement that we hope will herald some relief.

We've decided to partner directly with the Broward Metropolitan Planning Organization. This high-level collaboration should allow us to better plan major projects to relieve congestion, expedite them to completion and better leverage local, state and federal assistance.

For those who don't know, the MPO is the regional transportation planning organization. Fort Lauderdale already has seats at the table on making regional policy decisions on transportation. However, this partnership takes it to another level — linking the MPO directly into the City's transportation planning.

The fact of the matter is that Broward County's transportation network is extremely complex. Fort Lauderdale's traffic is heavily influenced by the daytime influx of commuters from the western suburbs. Then, there is our tourist traffic and the traffic from our own growing population.

Issues that should be simple fixes are not. For instance, everyone favors synchronizing traffic lights, yet that is under the control of the county government. Also, most major roads are under the jurisdiction of the county or state.

So, the City is left to lobby as hard as possible for the interests of our residents. As the city manager has acknowledged, Fort Lauderdale has struggled with balancing resources, fulfilling priorities, maximizing funding and communicating with other governments when it comes to transportation.

We believe the MPO deal will bring their expert knowledge to help us find the best solutions for our City. At the same time, we will not lose the local services of the City's Transportation & Mobility Department that neighborhoods expect.

Traffic engineering will be handled by the City. Review of development plans and parking requirements will also continue to be done by the City. City staff will also prioritize projects and act as the neighborhood liaison.

Under the agreement, the MPO will dedicate a transportation planner for each commission district. Their unique expertise in planning, programming and coordination will help ensure our decisions regarding transportation are as effective and efficient as possible. One example is that they can help us leverage the new

county transportation surtax as much as possible.

We have already seen the creativity of the MPO.

When the City canceled the Wave streetcar project, it was the MPO that suggested creating a transit loop around Downtown with a dedicated lane for rapid-transit vehicles through a one-way pairing of North Andrews Avenue and Northeast Third Avenue.

The MPO arrangement has worked well in other parts of the country, but it is rather novel locally. We anticipate great results, but we also can back out of the contract at any time if we find it is not working.









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DOWNTOWNFTL 2020 AND BEYOND ...

VISIONS FOR THE FUTURE, WHILE CELEBRATING THE PAST AND PRESENT

ow do we envision the future of Fort Lauderdale? Is it rooted in aspiration, full of change and growth, and peppered with innovation and dramatic new ways of life? Will our future be based on preservation of the past and locked in the present, pausing this time machine of city evolution? What if our future in Fort Lauderdale hits a perfect sweet spot where forward progress is welcomed while our community legacies are celebrated?

Many have come before us, to settle here, make a living and build a community. Even more are coming here, to visit our tropical paradise, start a new business, or enjoy a new chapter of life. With that truth, Fort Lauderdale will continue to change and continue to grow as it has since its official birth in 1911.

So, as we move into 2020 let's imagine a city poised for the next generation, or next several generations even. As this roadmap to the future is drawn, what do we want to see along the way? What does DowntownFTL look like in another decade?

24-hour Economy

A startup entrepreneur drops off her dry cleaning and gets a manicure just shy of midnight, before heading to the 24-hour Greenwise market having just finished a virtual meeting with executives from a Sydney-based renewable energy company.

Resilient by Design

The headquarter office building for Magic Leap 3.0 pierces the sky. The tower generates more energy than it uses, wrapped in a biophilic skin that simultaneously

grows edible plants while capturing humidity and rainwater to cool the interior and irrigate the community rooftop garden. Symphonic sounds reverberate from the solar-lit stage at Esplanade Park during event nights, while the terraced seating allows water to percolate from the King Tide flow to saltwater ponds that harvest coral reef buds on permanent display at MODS.

Mobility on the Move

Broward Boulevard flows as a smart corridor, with intelligent sensors that track both foot traffic and number of transit riders, adjusting the number of lanes heading east or westbound depending on the time of day. A father and young daughter ride electric skateboards along the Mockingbird Trail, pretending they can travel as fast as the Virgin Train rolling northbound to Jacksonville. In town to announce the new light rail service connecting Downtown to the Everglades, the governor lands on the skyport of the recently built city/county joint government campus, having arrived from his morning stop in Fort Myers by way of Uber Air.

Pride in Public Spaces

Locals and tourists alike mingle at Tunnel Top Plaza, where this signature space connects old and new, water and land, and Las Olas to the Riverwalk. Huizenga Plaza buzzes during the weekday as Downtown employees enjoy lunch under a grove of shade trees, while at night the park's walkways emit a soothing glow having absorbed energy from the daytime sun.

Collaboration is King

The eighth grade class president from DowntownFTL Middle School ("home of the Tarpons") convenes a meeting of the Flagler Village civic association, the District 2 Commissioner, local shop owners and the chairwoman of the DDA. Their agenda has one item — to plan the fourth annual "FTLontheRise Startup Convention," which brings more than 5,000 global visitors to the Florida Panthers hockey arena in Downtown Fort Lauderdale every year to learn how our region became the leader in innovation and community building.

Happy New Year DowntownFTL!



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

WHAT'S COMING

DIGITAL TRANSFORMATIONS AHEAD IN 2020 FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF SUSTAINABILITY

ere we are at the start of the New Year and 2020 has a lot of potential. We're all starting a new decade some 20 years after the turn of the last century, which means we are 1/5th of the way into the 21st century. Think about that for a second. Gen Z, and possibly some Millennials (medical technologies and all that), will see the 22nd century in roughly 80 years. That makes me feel really old and a lot jealous. The technology advances we see every decade make me really excited to think what people will have access to in the coming decades. We're on the verge of autonomous vehicles, hyper-loop trains, incredible and increasing access to data and extensive use of artificial intelligence.

Right now we have what we have, and that's great, but just imagine what we'll see by then. Hopefully it will include flying cars/people moving drones ... I mean, hello! Like the steam engine, the internal combustion engine, lasers, nuclear energy, solar energy, the Internet, space travel, interplanetary exploration, medical advances, you name it, change is constant and new technology is coming no matter how comfortable or uncomfortable we are with it.

The Department of Sustainability is taking a stab at advancing the City with the implementation of the Accela Land Management software. You may have heard me talk about this software in the past and its virtues, but I'd like to touch on it again. The department turned the software on this past October, and we are having

some bumps in the road, so I'm not going to say that we're where we need to be just yet. But we have a more robust and stable software platform that has far more capabilities than our previous software could have ever contemplated. Over the next year, staff is committed to streamlining the software and ensuring that the department gets response times and wait times back to where we were prior to the new software going live. We'll get there, I promise.

Also, over the next several months, we will be implementing digital plan submittal and review. This will also create an opportunity for increased efficiencies. At some point before the end of 2020, you'll be able to submit any building permit from the comfort of your home or office. You'll also be able to make payments, schedule inspections, and find information on permit status in addition to fully digital plan submittal and reviews.

Tracking of paper plans will soon be a thing of the past and we'll finally be fully implemented and firmly entrenched in the 21st century. As we move into this brave new frontier, I do need to ask that we try to be patient. As I said, we have dedicated staff to continually work towards a future where we can move quickly, respond quickly, and communicate quickly.

So, here's to the 2020! I hope that we'll all have a great time in the coming year. Stay healthy, stay happy, and stay kind to one another.



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DRIVING IMAGE AND INNOVATION THROUGH TRANSPORTATION

2020 TO BRING NEW WAYS TO BIKE AND WALK AROUND FORT LAUDERDALE

he phrase "image is everything" is epitomized by the dynamic landscape of Fort Lauderdale. As we begin a new year, the City's Transportation and Mobility Department is embracing this evolution through a number of game-changing projects that will redefine the image of Fort Lauderdale as a multi-modal city of tomorrow.

Foremost among these exciting initiatives is the upcoming Tunnel Top Plaza, an iconic project that will create a unique downtown destination where the Riverwalk meets Las Olas Boulevard. Overlooking the historic Henry E. Kinney Tunnel, this one-of-a-kind green space will be a landmark in the heart of the City and will include public art, water features and open spaces that will improve safety, enhance pedestrian mobility and celebrate the image of Fort Lauderdale as a walkable, bikeable city.

And speaking of bikeability, Fort Lauderdale's LauderTrail working group is making tremendous progress toward designing and developing an urban shared-use trail that will connect various local and regional destinations throughout the city. The group has already proposed a core route that would feature 6.5 miles of new facilities linking 17 neighborhoods, 26 parks, 11 schools, and much more. In a collaborative

effort, LauderTrail will seek input from the Mockingbird Trail and other trail groups to maximize connectivity options.

In addition to these projects, the Transportation and Mobility Department recently refurbished the Riverwalk Center Garage, located in the heart of downtown Fort Lauderdale. Originally built in the 1970s as the City Park Garage, the facility has served as a central parking location for the many businesses, restaurants, and cultural institutions that surround it. As part of the revitalization effort, local artist Carrie Bennett was commissioned to create a mural there. The vibrant artwork combined with lighting and painting enhancements gives the landmark garage a fresh updated and inviting image.

The Riverwalk Center Garage is not the only parking facility that has changed the look and feel of an area in the City. Recently, the Las Olas Garage celebrated the one-year anniversary of its grand opening! Since December 2018, thousands of neighbors and visitors have arrived at the garage before enjoying our world-class beach.

The City also recently launched the Seabreeze Tram to conveniently transport people and their gear from the garage to the newly completed Las Olas Oceanside Park.

With a stunning light display, central location and connection to neighboring attractions, the Las Olas Garage is a must-see when visiting Fort Lauderdale Beach.

As we head full steam into 2020, Fort Lauderdale remains a city on the move with more exciting transportation and mobility developments on the way. These transformative projects will help us achieve our ultimate vision of becoming the "City You Never Want to Leave!"



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NAMING CONVENTIONS

MEET THE NAMESAKES OF SEVERAL OF FORT LAUDERDALE'S PARKS

appy New Year! First, we would like to thank all of our residents, visitors, and our staff for a tremendous holiday season! Our prestigious events would not be possible without the support from each and every one of you and we are deeply appreciative.

In keeping with the Fort Lauderdale Image Makers theme of this issue, have you ever wondered where some of our park names come from? Many of them are named after people who made an impact on Fort Lauderdale's history. We hope you enjoy a glimpse into a few of our parks and their naming history.

Annie Beck Park

Annie Beck was a founder of the All Saints' Episcopal Church, the city's first garden club, the 1919 Study Club, and the Fort Lauderdale Historical Society. She was named Fort Lauderdale Citizen of the Year in 1975 and also has a small library named for her.

Bass Park

James Lynwood Bass was Broward County's first African-American dentist. Bass pushed for better health care and education for African-Americans as well as for access to public beaches.

D.C. Alexander Park

David Clifford "D.C." Alexander was an early beach developer selling lots he and his partner had bought from Hugh Taylor Birch as early as 1914. He helped build the first Las Olas Intracoastal Bridge in 1917, and operated the first tourist hotel, the Las Olas Inn. He donated land to the City of Fort Lauderdale for this park, the Fort Lauderdale Aquatic Complex, and the International Swimming Hall of Fame.

George English Park

George W. English Jr. became the Fort Lauderdale City Attorney in 1928, just after the devastating 1926 hurricane. He secured federal funding for bridges and low income housing during the depression, oversaw development of Harbor Beach, assisted with Alexander Ramsey "Sandy" Nininger's appointment to West Point, and negotiated the sale of the Coast Guard base on Fort Lauderdale Beach to the City in 1947. English found a 30-acre parcel of land that was off the city tax roll. The residents voted to turn the land into a park and named it in his honor.

Joseph C. Carter Park

Joseph C. Carter spent more than 40 years working for Fort Lauderdale and Broward County Parks and Recreation Departments. Carter supervised Sunland Park for 24 years until he retired in 1977. The park was renamed in his honor in 1994.

Sistrunk Park

Dr. James Franklin Sistrunk helped to establish Fort Lauderdale's first medical facility for African-Americans, Provident Hospital. He is credited with delivering more than 5,000 babies during his 44 years of practice.

Snyder Park

Samuel (SP) Snyder was a pioneer road builder. Rock taken from what is now Snyder Park's lake was used in building the original Federal Highway, Las Olas Boulevard, and the Fort Lauderdale-Hollywood International Airport.

Virginia Young Park

In 1971, Virginia Young was elected as a Fort Lauderdale City Commissioner. She was appointed by the City Commission as Mayor from 1973-1975 and also again from 1981-1982. Young continued to serve on the City Commission until 1985. To date, she is the only female mayor in the city's history.

Warfield Park

Solomon Davies Warfield was an American railroad executive that extended the Seaboard Air Line Railway into South Florida and connecting the east and west coast of Florida during the 1920s.

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LOOKING BACK ON RECENT GROWTH WITH AN OVERVIEW OF THE PRESENT AND A NOD TO THE FUTURE

growth and change. And this issue's highlight on our community's image makers provides a timely subject. In my 12 years of living in Fort Lauderdale, I've seen constant change and growth. This past year has been a particularly stimulating period of progress in the arts that reflects the increasing diversity among the many individuals, organizations and businesses that make up our community. We're thrilled to start the new year with initiatives that reflect this diversity and growth in the community.

enjoy using the new year as a time to reflect on

Here at the Cultural Division, we've embarked upon some reflection of our own, which feels like an apropos time to share an overview of our current initiatives:

- Broward's award-winning Public Art & Design program was launched in 1976, with the vision of beautifying a rapidly developing Broward County. Today, it administers an average of 80 art projects annually, that include important conservation projects. More than 260 public artworks are located throughout the region, installed at public libraries to county parks and courthouses to Port Everglades and the airport.
- Our grants provide more than \$5 million each year in support to more than 100 local organizations and artists in their cultural and professional missions. The Cultural Division is working to continually improve our grant funding process to make it as accessible and equitable as possible in today's ever evolving cultural landscape and economy. In 2020, we look forward to rolling out a series of community dialogues throughout the County, as well as an

- online survey that will help us incorporate public feedback into our grants system.
- The Division's Community Engagement section uses the arts to address specific community needs. This includes supporting partnership roles with myriad organizations dedicated to ensuring the arts play a critical part in the region's growth and development.
- Marketing and external relations work on multiple platforms to increase visibility, awareness and engagement with Broward's arts. Via our two websites (Broward.org/Arts and ArtsCalendar.com), we are able to provide consistent and informative content. We are committed to supporting Broward's many artists and organizations while also communicating the many cultural opportunities available for the more than 2 million residents. Through our Cooperative Marketing Program, we provide financial support to nonprofit cultural organizations and institutions toward the purchase of advertising and marketing initiatives. There's also a large professional development component that offers educational opportunities for those who work in the creative industries.

Growth and change in our communities is facilitated by the businesses here and every one of us. The Cultural Division is grateful to have a leadership role in how the arts shape not just the aesthetics but also the contents and future of our communities.

Here's to looking back on what Fort Lauderdale has accomplished in 2019 and if it's any indication of what 2020 will look like, there are no limits to our horizon.



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



LEGISLATIVE WISH LIST

STATE LAWMAKERS CAN MAKE HISTORY BY USING AFFORDABLE HOUSING FUNDS FOR HOUSING

his month, the 160 state senators and representatives who make up our Florida Legislature will gather at the state capitol for another legislative session. Over the next two months, state lawmakers will grapple with a variety of important issues - from pay raises for teachers to requiring employers to use E-Verify to catch undocumented immigrants in the workplace.

The business community has its priorities – a wish list of bills and budget items that would continue to add new job opportunities and improve Florida's already strong economy. However, if I had my druthers, my wish for this legislative session would be a simple one: use the William E. Sadowski Affordable Housing Trust Fund for housing initiatives and only housing initiatives.

The Sadowski fund was created to use documentary tax stamp revenue to pay for new housing development and initiatives, and over the past 25 years, the fund has generated \$5.9 billion for that purpose. Unfortunately, state lawmakers have used the fund as a proverbial "cookie jar" to pay for other unrelated expenses. Since the fund's inception, they took \$2 billion and used the money for such things as balancing the state budget or underwriting corporate tax cuts.

For 12 consecutive years, our lawmakers have raided the Sadowski funds, leaving local housing organizations like the Housing Authority of Fort Lauderdale, which I chair, with fewer resources to help pay for new initiatives that expand housing opportunities for our community's low-income and working-class families. The point is housing initiatives need to be fully funded.

Finding affordable and moderately priced housing in many parts of Florida is already at a crisis level. The usual benchmark for housing payments is 30 percent or less of one's monthly income. Yet, according to the 2019 Home Matters Report from the Florida Housing Coalition, there are 921,928 households in the state that pay more than 50 percent of their income on housing – far more than what's considered "affordable."

South Florida is one of the least affordable metropolitan areas, according to the U.S. Census, and the median price for a house in Broward County \$310,000 and rent at \$1,800, is still way too high for many residents living in our county, particularly those individuals and families living at or near the poverty level.

If the Legislature would commit to using Sadowski funds for housing, the benefits would be extraordinary. A fully funded housing budget is expected to create 30,000 jobs and generate more than \$4 billion in economic benefits, according to the Florida Housing Coalition, a statewide housing advocacy group whose

> support of using the Sadowski trust fund solely for housing keeps falling on deaf ears. Full funding also would give local housing organizations the resources to encourage the development of workforce housing and provide subsidies to help first-time buyers, seniors and persons with disabilities find affordable places to live.

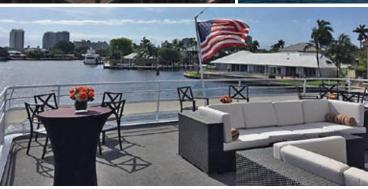
The security of having a home is a winwin proposition. It not only builds stronger, more livable communities, but it also generates tax resources for state and local coffers. Unfortunately, protecting the one funding source that can make that possible hasn't been a legislative priority. That must change. Credit Gov. Ron DeSantis for again proposing a budget that uses all \$387 million in the Sadowski Trust Fund for housing needs. The Legislature should make history by making sure that the housing trust fund is spent on its intended purpose — housing. @













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



PIER 66

THE STORY BEHIND ONE OF FORT LAUDERDALE'S ICONIC BUILDINGS

With historic names like Napoleon Bonaparte Broward and Frank and Ivy Stranahan, as well as high-profile figures like H. Wayne Huizinga and Kenneth Stiles influencing the development and growth of Fort Lauderdale, its easy to overlook lesser known individuals who nevertheless have left lasting impacts on the City of Fort Lauderdale.

Unequivocally, Pier 66 is the most iconic building in the Fort Lauderdale skyline, and many are familiar with its humble beginnings as a Phillips 66 fuel dock in 1957. Soon after, in 1959 however, the property began to evolve into a world-class resort with a 100-slip marina, restaurant, and two-story hotel. Pier 66's reputation and footprint grew during those influential years in the early 1960s, as did the need for more rooms. While advertisements touted the original Pier 66 Motor Hotel as a "Fabulous 22-acre waterway wonderland" with 102 luxurious hotel rooms, two pools, five cocktail lounges, and a private par three golf course, it still lacked the architectural sophistication of the competing Miami resorts.

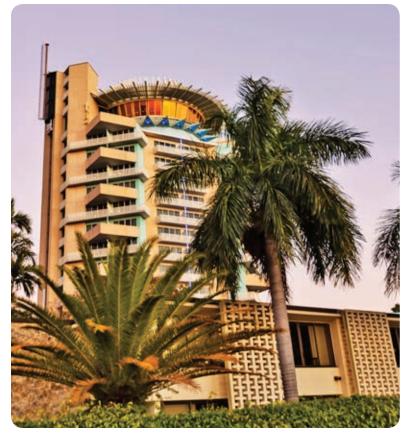
So, in 1964 construction began on the 17-story tower designed by long-time Phillips Petroleum architect Richard F. Humble. As a decidedly cosmopolitan detail to rival the Fountainebleau and Eden Roc hotels, Humble crowned the tower with a star-burst rotating restaurant and lounge that turned 360 degrees every 66 minutes – ever the company man.

The space-age tower opened in 1965 and quickly became a "Landmark for Fun in Fort Lauderdale." It was the first building in Fort Lauderdale to exceed 15 stories, and travel pamphlets proclaimed, "Paris has its tower, so have London and Seattle. But Fort Lauderdale has a tower you can live in – royally, Pier 66."

Humble lived in Kansas his entire life. He and his wife and children lived near Bartlesville, where Phillips Petroleum had its headquarters. Throughout his career, he designed mostly office buildings around the country for the company and a transportation center in Bartlesville. Pier 66 was the only hotel he ever designed. He died in 2011 at the age of 86.

Now owned by Joe Lewis' Tavistock Development Company, Pier 66 is currently under major renovation. A proposed plan calls for up to 750 residential units, 384 hotel rooms, 150,000 square feet of commercial space, and 4,000 square feet of marina space and boat slips. Severely damaged by Hurricane Irma, the tower is being renovated while the developer seeks historic designation for the hotel.

For half a century people have been making memories and celebrating special events in this landmark building with the spectacular 360-degree views. It has witnessed milestones and special occasions of every measure and for some locals, dining there was a rite of passage. It is immediately recognizable and uniquely Fort Lauderdale, thanks to the bold, sophisticated, and now timeless design of Richard F. Humble. Fortunately, as it continues in its restoration, a whole new generation can anticipate enjoying the view from the top. ⁽¹⁾



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WHEN A HOBBY TAKES OVER

ART GALLERY PROVIDES A COLLABORATIVE HAVEN FOR LOCAL ARTISTS

t seems that most people have some type of hobby. For some, it might be gardening while for others it could be something as extreme as skydiving. Then there are those unique artists whose hobby becomes a passion that eventually becomes a full-time avocation.

Tricia Rutsis was a successful public relations consultant working with clients throughout South Florida who also painted in her free time. However, as her love of painting grew, she wanted to do it somewhere other than her little home studio where she was alone with her canvas and palette. She envisioned a concept where talented artists could have a beautiful, well-equipped working studio with enough room to paint yet intimate enough so ideas could flourish and friendships could grow. But where could she find such a place?

Enter The Galleria at Fort Lauderdale. There she found a 1,600-square-foot storage room in the Mango Garage. After three months of renovations and a lot of effort, it was transformed into Brush Strokes – A Working Artists Studio. Here, 14 part-time and professional artists came together to create some amazing works of art.

That's right, professional and part-time artists call Brush Strokes home. These individuals are former CEOs, entrepreneurs, attorneys, business executives and community philanthropists who, like Tricia, enjoyed painting as a hobby and transformed themselves into full-time artists. Former attorney Elaine Krupnick is one of those artists. "I love painting with other people," she said. "It gives me inspiration for my work and they offer the best advice as well."

Connie Commette always wanted to be an artist and even studied it in college, but soon realized that making a living as a professional artist can be challenging. Throughout her career as an office manager for a law firm, she always painted in her spare time. Today, when she is not competing in sailboat racing around the world with her husband, she is at Brush Strokes two to three times per week.

"I love it here because I'm not isolated and no one is better than anyone else," "No divas here," she said. "No divas," Rutsis chimed in.

Brush Strokes is a collaborative environment. The artists hold regular meetings to decide on vision, policy, where to hold art shows, and on the rare occasion when there is a vacancy, they interview prospective artists. The artists have exhibited in both juried and solo shows throughout the United States.



While the studio doesn't have any official operating hours, anyone is welcome to stop in and observe the artists while they are working. If they have questions about or are interested in another artists' work, whoever is in the studio will happily answer their questions or even help to sell that piece of art even though it is not their own.

Another feature of the studio are the workshops taught by art instructors from around the world. They include Robert Johnson, Vlad Yeliseyev, Qiang Huang and the late Ken Auster.

Now, nearly 10 years into what was originally a leap of faith, Brush Strokes has become one of the most unique spaces in Fort Lauderdale. Many designers, collectors and area residents regularly visit the studio as well as people who are looking for that special gift.

"People keep finding us," Rutsis said, "and once they're here, they never want to leave." During my visits to Brush Strokes, you can see that they are not just a group of artists, but a family of like-minded individuals with a passion for this hobby they managed to turn into a lifestyle.

Small Business Stats

BRUSH STROKES - A WORKING ARTISTS STUDIO

Owners: Tricia Rutsis Founded: 2009

Fun fact: Brush Strokes has opened a pop-up gallery in The Galleria and has six upcoming shows at Fort Lauderdale City Hall.

Number of employees: 14 resident artists **Address:** 2414 E. Sunrise Blvd., Fort Lauderdale

Phone: (954) 610-3880

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FORT LAUDERDALE'S IMAGE MAKERS

COMMUNITY LEADERS SHARE THEIR THOUGHTS ON WHAT MAKES FORT LAUDERDALE SPECIAL

CURATED BYLYNN STOCK

hat "makes" a city's image? Is it the people who drive the community meetings and create the businesses? Is it the overall look of the downtown architecture? Or is it something more concrete (pun intended), like the Wave Wall along Fort Lauderdale Beach?

Frankly, it's a difficult question to answer, so we asked Fort Lauderdale's community leaders in several different sectors to share with us what makes Fort Lauderdale special to them.

Tourism

Stacy Ritter President/CEO

Greater Fort Lauderdale Convention & Visitors Bureau

What makes Fort Lauderdale special or unique?

The people. Fort Lauderdale is a true melting pot and the colorful tapestry we've woven is reflective of this. Broward County is home to two million people speaking over 40 languages and this unique blending of cultures is mirrored in Fort Lauderdale. You don't have to visit specific neighborhoods to be immersed in different cultures, because they are harmoniously intermingled here.

How would you describe Fort Lauderdale's "image"? Is it based on water, on hospitality, on architecture, or something else? What would that be?

Water permeates everything we do. We're surrounded by the ocean, a river and canals, all connecting this vibrant, evolving city. There's something about water that draws people to live and play in an area. I know it's what brought me here.

If you could live anywhere else, where would that be?

I just love Italy, especially Rome. I speak Italian and visit on holiday with my family when I can. The city is captivating and it's steeped in ancient history, plus you can't find a bad meal there.

What sets Fort Lauderdale apart from:

Other South Florida cities: We're expanding at such

a rapid pace, but there is a still a hometown feel to Fort Lauderdale. Among all the visitors, you still see familiar faces while walking down Las Olas Boulevard and that's really special. You don't get that in neighboring cities.

Other coastal cities: Fort Lauderdale stands out among other coastal cities for our eclectic mix of cultures, progressive attitude and the ability to experience



a microcosm of communities in a one-mile stretch from Downtown to the beach. In just 5 minutes, you can go from the 30th story of a condominium, past our arts districts, shopping and waterfront homes right to a blanket on the sand.

What would make Fort Lauderdale better?

With such incredible growth in the community, infrastructure is an area where we need to keep up. As someone who lives and works in the City, I would say people perceive infrastructure as having the greatest need for improvement.

Describe Fort Lauderdale:

In one word: Idyllic

In one sentence: Fort Lauderdale is a diverse, welcoming and vibrant cosmopolitan beach destination with nearly perfect weather year round.



Dining

Aaron Abramoff Director of Operations The Restaurant People

What makes Fort Lauderdale special or unique?

Fort Lauderdale is unique because of its location and all that it can offer. It's at the epicenter of boating, entertainment, and popular attractions, but offers a balance with a strong sense of community.

How would you describe Fort Lauderdale's "image"?

Fort Lauderdale has become a bustling city of culinary exploration and excitement, set a backdrop of sweeping of waterways. It's continually growing and attracting new developers, businesses and visitors. I can say that I'm proud to be a part of an organization that has helped foster this growth. Since 1997, The Restaurant People have been serving the community with innovative restaurants and nightlife destinations, which has helped pave the way for other hospitality professionals.

If you could live anywhere else, where would that be? On a yacht that is based out of Fort Lauderdale.

What sets Fort Lauderdale apart from:

Other South Florida cities: Its people. The people that

live and work in Fort Lauderdale are truly committed to the betterment of the community. They not only invest their time and energy here, but also build their homes and families here.

Other coastal cities: The New River and Intracoastal Waterway. More than just a scenic route, these are gateways to restaurants and entertainment along the water. There's also a history of the river



that our city was built upon, and I think you experience that with every trip you take whether on the Water Taxi, private boat or a simple stroll along the Riverwalk.

What would make Fort Lauderdale better?

I feel Fort Lauderdale will benefit from continual new development by people that have lived and worked in Fort Lauderdale for a long time. I think we have a great location that can allow Fort Lauderdale to become one of the greatest city in the U.S.

Describe Fort Lauderdale:

In one word: Growing

In one sentence: Fort Lauderdale has a strong sense of community with limitless potential for growth and development.

Marine industry

Phil Purcell CEO/President

Marine Industries Association of South Florida

What makes Fort Lauderdale special or unique?

From my perspective with the marine industry yachting and marine businesses as a whole. I think of yachting businesses, I think of the Fort Lauderdale Boat Show, which is the biggest water boat show the world. And I think of all the other marine businesses that go along with it. I see Fort Lauderdale as a city in its infancy and getting ready to put a stake in the ground in the six largest metropolitan area in the country and maybe be the leader in the region since it sits right in the middle, between Palm beach and Miami.

What sets Fort Lauderdale apart from other South Florida cities?

It's got this fresh palette. You've got the third largest barrier reef in the world. You have the Everglades to the west. You have Palm Beach to the north, Miami to the south. It's got two major airports, including the executive airport, the busiest private airport. With the Fort Lauderdale International Airport, I can fly anywhere in the world and I can get off my plane and be in a hotel room or in a business meeting Downtown in 20 minutes. So, it's a very unique city that I don't believe everyone truly understands all the advantages it really has.

What would you say sets Fort Lauderdale apart from other coastal cities in the United States?

The ocean. It's a jump to the Bahamas. Look at how (Hurricane) Doreen affected the Abacos and Marsh Harbor and our connectivity to those people. There are not a lot

of other coastal cities where you can touch a foreign country in America like we can. And so we do that and have great experiences with the Bahamas. So Fort Lauderdale is this unique geographically superior place that I can get to any major city in the U.S. (I can get to) New York, Chicago, Houston within two and a half hours, and do business, and still come home the same



The marine industry is the backdrop of this city called the Venice of America. The New River is the backdrop to this city, that now you're seeing an activated. You're seeing Riverwalk get more traction. You're seeing the redevelopment along the river on the north side. And then on the south side you see that combined city and county campus right off Broward Boulevard.

What would make Fort Lauderdale better?

The main thing I think Fort Lauderdale needs is money spent east of Interstate 95 on infrastructure, like a New River bridge and a bridge over Broward Boulevard because that'll help the region out. That will create general regionalism.

Describe Fort Lauderdale:

In one word: Opportunity.

In one sentence: Fort Lauderdale offers opportunity for whatever you do, whether you're a lawyer, a doctor, a teacher, a person that just moved here from another country. It's a tremendous opportunity because of its geographic superiority. Fort Lauderdale has an openness and willingness to accept new people not necessarily defined by any one culture.

Hospitality

Heiko Dobrikow Executive Vice President and General Manager The Las Olas Company and Riverside Hotel

What makes Fort Lauderdale special or unique?

Fort Lauderdale has been made famous for its beautiful beaches, unique waterways, vibrant Las Olas shopping district and the year-round events along Riverwalk and parks. It never seems to surprise me how beautiful A1A is with its beachfront promenade and breathtaking sunrises. Being the Venice of America, it is simply remarkable to take a Water Taxi and learn much about the many yachts docked in front of multi-million dollar mansions. The world knows that the Crown Jewel of Fort Lauderdale is Las Olas Boulevard with its many options for unique dining experiences, one-of-a-kind art galleries and a wide array of retail shops. Not many cities can say that they have a vibrant downtown, as well as a relaxing beach experience.

How would you describe Fort Lauderdale's "image"?

For me Fort Lauderdale's image is a chic and relaxing experience with a touch of genuine hospitality. Over the years Fort Lauderdale has changed from the Spring Break Capital to an upscale, diverse and refined community. Our city loves to bring a multitude of events and experiences to all that enjoy living here or just stopping by for a visit. Even though our city has had some positive building growth of the years, it seems not to lose its personalized feel for all. When one looks at our signature events, such as Winterfest Boat Parade, Fort Lauderdale International Boat Show, Riptide Festival, Fort Lauderdale Air and Sea Show, Las Olas Wine and Food Festival, Tortuga Festival and many more, the Fort Lauderdale experience is balance by our historic district, museums, Art and Entertainment District and world class performance at the Broward Center of Performing Arts. If you could live anywhere else, where would that be?

There is clearly a reason why I have chosen South Florida as my home and would not consider living anywhere else. Our SoFlo region provides us with a bountiful playground on land or on water filled with international and diverse communities that provide an ever so interesting life. Add

our amazing weather to the equation, there is simply no reason to move.

What sets Fort Lauderdale apart:

I believe that our Fort Lauderdale metropolis offers something for everybody. We know that Fort Lauderdale's quality of life not only brings retirees to our city, but our exciting Downtown brings the younger generations that look for a place they



can work, play and raise a family. We are fortunate to have an international airport that is an ever-growing economic engine for our community, coupled with the adjacent Port Everglades that brings not only domestic travelers, but also international ones as well as a huge cargo business.

Now that we are moving forward with the expansion of our convention center and hotel, our community will have to ability to market itself even more in the global market. Our city has not only grown because of the marine and hospitality industries, but we are attacking businesses in the sectors of technology, life science, aviation, manufacturing and more. In order for our business climate to remain strong with need to continue with our very collaborative nature between government, businesses and our residents. A tipping point for our community is the implementation of a robust transportation plan, now that we are levying the extra sales tax penny.

What would make Fort Lauderdale better?

As a world-class community, we have a responsibility to protect it from threats that are coming our way. We have to become a more resilient community that is going to tackle the issues of housing affordability, efficient mobility, improved education quality, proper management of our water and sea level rise. We need to work together with our South Florida neighbors, such as Miami-Dade and Palm Beach, to ensure we are implementing the best solutions that will not only benefit our city, but our region.

Describe Fort Lauderdale:

In one word: Alive

In one sentence: Fort Lauderdale is a global hub for business that one can call home.

Business

Marc Cannon Executive vice president AutoNation

What makes Fort Lauderdale special or unique?

It's a big city with a small town feel. The energy of downtown and folks living, working and playing all with in blocks.

How would you describe Fort Lauderdale's "image"?

It's the combination of water, sun and a vibrant work environment

If you could live anywhere else, where would that be? San Diego

What sets Fort Lauderdale apart from:

Other South Florida cities: Big town with a local feel

Other coastal cities: High-end redevelopment of the beach with living, restaurants and entertainment.

What would make Fort Lauderdale better?

More flowers and green. **Describe Fort Lauderdale:**

In one word: Relaxed.





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THE PARTY TAKES TO THE WATER WITH PADDLE PUB

WRITER LYNN STOCK

hether you hop on a Cycle Party group bicycle, paddle down the New River on a standup paddleboard or take to the water in a kayak around Fort Lauderdale, you're likely gathering steam thanks to a Chris Haerting endeavor.

A fixture of Riverwalk's unique brand of activity partnered with fun, Haerting has ventured on yet another moving endeavor: Paddle Pub.

Launched along the New River, Haerting will offer a paddle-powered pontoon boat for tours beginning Jan. 1. Helmed by a boat captain licensed for a 100-ton vessel, Paddle Pub has 20 seats, with 12 of those paddling. The party cruises are available as mixers (from \$40 a person) to group tours (\$650).

"The boat sits at 35 feet long and 10 feet wide and

there is a big paddle wheel between the two pontoon logs in the rear," Haerting said. "It is all connected to the chain drive from the pedaling seats. It's geared at a level that makes it easy enough so you still get enough power on it. Depending on the locations (in the water), obviously and the tide and current, there will always going to be a backup motor."

Paddle Pub will start launching from a location on the New River, but eventually, cruises will be offered from a spot on the Intracoastal Waterway in Fort Lauderdale. Tours last for two hours, and guests are welcome to bring their own cooler full of beer, wine or seltzers (no liquor is allowed) and snacks.

Eventually, Haerting looks to add twists to the Paddle Pub tours, such as dinner cruises and scavenger hunts.

For now, Paddle Pub will start in Fort Lauderdale but will soon expand to Miami and Key West.



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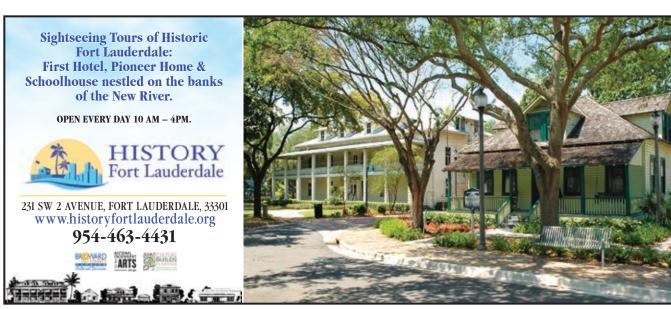














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esides a very clever and apt play on words (it's pronounced like yacht), this latest brainchild of restauranteur Mike Linder and his business partner Mitch Amsterdam has everything you look for in South Florida dining — well, except the actual ocean.

The decor, by designer Pam Manhas with its nod to beach blues and pale yellows, is crisp, cheerful and literally breezy because of a large open glass door that leads to a wraparound patio with stunning views of yachts at anchor. The inside seating is about 80, but the outside area can seat 150-plus. And where else would you take an out-of-town guest but a location like this — so you can gloat about living in Fort Lauderdale without saying a word? You can also take your boat to the location, but it was suggested that you check with the dockmaster before you do to assure space.

The menu is casual; great tastes without pretension. We loved the Crispy Brussels Sprouts with Honey Vinaigrette (even haters of this veg like this appetizer) and the Smoked Fish Dip was a visual and gustatory treat — served with crispy lavosh and pickled onions. To use a three letter word – "yum." The salad selection features large main dish combos, with and without meat or fish. We can only speculate on the sandwiches (we were stuffed) but with everything from Cuban sandwiches to mahi-mahi, lobster and a choice of huge burgers, you can find something for everyone. The "large plate" selection is limited — emphasis is on casual — but varies from mussels to steak. Pizza will be "embarking soon" and the topping combos

look indulgent, from fig and truffle to lobster. Sunday brunch is also in the planning phase.

Hours are 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Sunday through Thursday and 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. Friday and Saturday. Happy hour fans rejoice and remember 9-5-4. No, not the area code. \$9 apps, \$5 drinks and \$4 domestic bottles and drafts. Happy hour times start at 4 p.m. and end at 7 p.m. And with the selection at this bar you will be doubly "happy." We tried a spritz cocktail that featured a hit of gin and tropical mango topped with Prosecco (what could be bad?) and a spice rimed, not too sweet, margarita called a LMSea.

There is a \$5 valet service for the restaurant. Self-parking is ample but might be daunting during lunch as workers are well, working. Evening parking is wide open and we were told that the "reserved" signs are only for daytime parking.

A grand opening is planned for March 2020 when the spacious and dog-friendly outside bar area will be ready to open. They also plan to launch a separate, more extensive dinner menu around the same time. There can never be too much of a good thing!

If we could use another three-letter word to describe YOT, it would be "WOW." See for yourself.

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A TOAST TO THE NEW YEAR

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WRITER RENÉE K. OUINN

appy New Year cocktails! My new series will feature a spirited discussion with a local bartender exploring classic cocktails with insider tips and twists you can experience or create yourself. Ciao!

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FEATURED BARTENDER: Jean-Pierre Belonni, Lead Bartender, The Ritz-Carlton Fort Lauderdale

CLASSIC COCKTAIL: Daiquiri

Rum • Sugar • Lime

Three simple ingredients make this cool cocktail a staple in South Florida. How they are mixed and garnished set this cocktail apart. JP used my favorite, a special edition expression of custom barrelled Papa's Pilar Dark, which, after solera aging in American

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SPIRITED TIP:

By Andy Borbely, Papa's Pilar Brand Ambassador

So when it comes to the classic daiquiri (rum, sugar, lime), a lot of bartenders jump straight into conversations about balance. While it's important to walk the line of spirit, sweetness, and sour, preference and personal taste rear their heads quite quickly. One person's "a little too sweet" often hits another person's bullseye. To this end I believe it's more important to have a relationship with a good bartender than to squabble over "proper" proportions.

I believe the single most relevant factor in making a quality daiquiri is to scrutinize the limes and the sugar. Limes should be thin-skinned and smooth, giving up their juice easily.

Kick the refined white table sugar to the curb. I highly

recommend mixing a daiquiri with a simple syrup made from unrefined cane sugar (I'm partial to unrefined, golden Louisiana cane sugar). Refined, white sugar will taste one-dimensional and merely sweet because it has been stripped of all the character of the cane. Unrefined sugar cane sugar retains its calcium, magnesium, phosphorus, and iron as well as the character of the cane itself. This natural character allows the flavors of a daiquiri to mingle and integrate creating a daiquiri whose total is greater than the sum of its parts.



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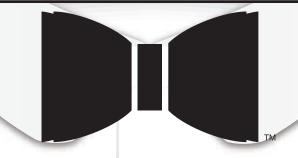
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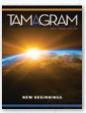






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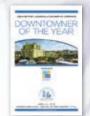


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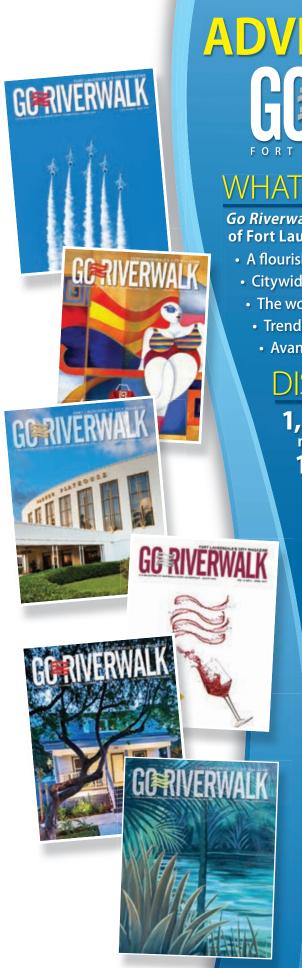
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