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organization. Laundry room side by side washer and dryer with sink.



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SOHO \$779,000 2 BEDROOM 2 BATH

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Soaring 14-foot ceilings that are unique to the 16th floor! Porcelain tile, wet bar, custom ceiling inlays, floor to ceiling glass & over 1000 sq. ft. of terrace.

2 BEDROOM+DEN | 3 BATH | \$1,799,000

Brand new luxurious unit with 14 ft. ceilings! Over 1,800 sq. ft. of wrap around terrace overlooking the river, park, pool & city. Porcelain flooring throughout.

JUST SOLD! 2 BEDROOM+DEN | 2.5 BATH

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UST SOLD! 2 BEDROOM 2 BATH

Spectacular 25th floor unit with beautiful southern views of the ocean & city. Features include 11 foot ceilings & gourmet kitchen with granite countertops.

JUST SOLD! 2 BEDROOM 2 BATH

North west corner over looking the ocean, cruise ships, and city. Immaculate split bedroom floor plan featuring wood floors throughout, upgraded bathrooms, lighting, doors, custom drapes and more to appreciate.

UST LISTED DOWNTOWN STUDIO | \$349,000

Sparkling river views, covered balcony. Gourmet kitchen with stainless steel appliances, washer/dryer in the unit, short walk to Las Olas and 5 star amenities.

UNDER CONTRACT DOWNTOWN STUDIO

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MOONGLOW Fabulous corner unit with expansive wrap-around glass terrace featuring spectacular views of the new river, ocean, city & port everglades. Gourmet kitchen, split bedroom plan and open spacious living/dining area.

UST SOLD!

SUNGARDEN

Rarely available 1 bedroom 1 bath 31st floor sub-penthouse with amazing river, city & sunset views. Light, bright & impeccably maintained with 10 ft. volume ceilings, gourmet kitchen with counter seating & granite countertops.

UST SOLD!

SUNGARDEN

Beautifully remodeled 1 bedroom 1 bathroom offering "floor to ceiling" impact windows & a large balcony that allows you to enjoy incredible New River and sunset views! Bamboo wood flooring throughout.



JUST LISTED 2 BEDROOM 2 BATH \$699,000

River Views from every room! This bright & spacious split bedroom floor plan offers 2 private balconies overlooking the river & city skyline. This pristine residence is upgraded throughout and thoughtfully designed with wide plank tile floors, new interior doors & hardware, motorized window treatments & two assigned parking spaces.

UNDER CONTRACT 2 BEDROOM 2 BATH

Split floor plan offers breathtaking views of the city skyline and new river. Hardwood floors in the living area, large covered terrace, gourmet kitchen with italian cabinetry, granite countertops, and stainless steel appliances.



FROM THE BOARD

BY JOHN ROPES Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale Chair



LIVE MUSIC IN FORT LAUDERDALE

FESTIVALS, CONCERTS, AND MUSICALS DRAW THOUSANDS ANNUALLY



Harry Connick Jr. gave a performance at the Au-Rene Theater at the Broward Center for the Performing Arts in January. ort Lauderdale has always been known for its sandywhite beaches, spring break, and the multitude of tourists that this combination brings. It is also becoming well known for its live music in all forms, from musicals to festivals.

Tortuga Music Festival

Imagine combining the beach, spring break, the parties, and live musical performances from more than 16 bands onstage for a three-day event. Every year in May, Tortuga Musical Festival, sponsored by Rock The Ocean Foundation, comes to the community to raise awareness for marine conservation. They have paid more than \$2,000,000 to their Conservation Village partners as a direct result of ticket sales and donations from this festival.

Tortuga Music Festival works hand in hand with the Rock The Ocean Foundation to increase public awareness about the issues impacting the world's oceans and to support scientific research, education, and ocean conservation initiatives. And last month, from April 8 to 10, more than 25,000 people were anticipated to attend this event each day. Tickets were completely sold out prior to the festival for the first time ever. And so were the local hotels during the event.

Audacy Beach Festival 2022

Audacy Beach Festival was so successful Dec. 4 and 5 of 2021, that they are returning for another event in 2022. This festival features rock artists and presented a lineup of 23 performers in December 2021.

Friday Night Soundwaves

Las Olas Oceanside Park presents Friday Night Soundwaves every Friday night from March 18 to July 1 beginning at 6:30 p.m. This is a free live music series featuring some of the best local bands, and tribute artists along with shopping, food vendors, and more.

Broward Center for the Performing Arts

At the heart of the Riverwalk Arts and Entertainment District is the Broward Center for the Performing Arts. In 1991 this performing arts center was constructed and opened along the New River at Sailboat bend. This center draws over 700,000 patrons annually and headlines some of the most famous musicals, such as, Cats, Chicago, Riverdance, and Hamilton.

See you on the Riverwalk!



LET THE GAMES BEGIN!



WE'RE SOCIAL

The **National Senior Games** *presented by Humana*, comes to the Greater Fort Lauderdale area May 10-23, 2022. As the the largest multi-sport event in the world for men and women 50 and over, athletes from all around the nation will converge on our shores for the biennial competition.

While venues for the games will take place countywide, Las Olas Oceanside Park will host a number of open and free to the public events co-sponsored by the City of Fort Lauderdale's Beach BID and the games presenting sponsor, Humana. Locals are invited to come out and celebrate the athletes and their acheivements at the **2022 Flame Arrival Ceremony** on Wednesday, May 11, and **Celebration of Athletes** taking place on Monday, May 16 at Las Olas Intracostal Park. Additionally, all are welcome to attend **Movies by Moonlight** free movies, on Thursday, May 12 & 19, **Friday Night Sound Waves** concerts on May 13 & 20, and a special cooking demonstration at the **Las Olas Oceanside Park Market** on May 14 hosted by FLIPANY. For details and registration information, visit *theloopflb.com*



Turnstiles: the Ultimate Tribute to the Music of Billy Joel, will headline Friday Night Sound Waves concert, May 20, as part of the National Senior Games celebration.

SAVE THE DATES



All Hands on Deck Welcome Ceremony and Navy Band Concert

May 1, 6:00 - 8:00 pm. Las Olas Oceanside Park

The community will welcome the visiting Sailors, followed by a free concert performed by Navy Band Southeast. Hosted by Fort Lauderdale Beach Business Improvement District *Free*.

Friday Night Sound Waves

Fort Lauderdale Beach's free concert series continues its 7th season run in May with a Night Market from 5-10pm, and concerts from 6:30-9:30pm. Featured bands in May include: **Mr. Nice Guy** (5/6), **Bobby Nathan** (5/13), **Turnstiles** (5/20) and **Southern Blood** (5/27), pictured below. For full schedule and details, vendors visit *fridaynightsoundwaves.com*



Alfa Romeo Grand Prix Beach Party May 6 - May 8. Las Olas Oceanside Park

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Movies by Moonlight

May 12 & 19, 5:00 - 10:00pm. Las Olas Oceanside Park Join us for Movies by Moonlight on the Main Lawn as part of the National Senior Games celebration. Featured films include May 12: Angels in the Outfield and May 19: Remember the Titans. Free with Registration. View details at theloopflb.com





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MUSICAL DIVERSITY

FORT LAUDERDALE HOSTS ALL KINDS OF MUSIC OPTIONS

ocal music is as diverse as the location options. As one who loves all types of music, I have found that Fort Lauderdale has many gifted musicians performing locally and the variety creates a cool vibe.

Sounds vary but the cadence and the beat of those sounds are what weave into our souls. Lyrics tell the story and set the stage for the sound combinations to bring a full experience of how we enjoy music.

Fort Lauderdale is home to a large number of great locations to enjoy music being places like The Parker, Broward Center for Performing Arts, Backyard, Easy Street, Fat Cats, 33rd Street Wine Bar, The Angeles, as well as a larger number of bars, restaurants, parks and events that host great sounds. Hard Rock Live seats 3,500 concert goers for major performance.

We have great symphonies, jazz bands, and

orchestras. You can hear rock, jazz, rhythm & blues, soul, techno, country music, metal, electro, indie rock and pop. You can hear Caribbean, Soca, Calypso, Ska, Kompa, Reggae, Mento, Rasin, and more. There many more genres of music and all are available locally. Never overlook our Broadway Across America Series at Broward Center and musical theater that is offered.

Music festivals like Tortuga and Audacy Beach Festival bring wildly popular groups to town. Noon Tunes — hosted by the City of Fort Lauderdale, Carter Park Jamz, Starlight Musicals, and Friday Night Sound Waves — are more of the public offering for great local artist and sounds.

Local school options for musicians is the wellknown School of Rock Fort Lauderdale led by Burny Pelsmajer, A+ Music Instruction, and Music Makers

> to name a few. School of Rock and these other schools have produced some great shows and musicians that continue to perform locally and nationally.

Fort Lauderdale is home to some outstanding DJs and Lori McQuestion — "Two Story Lori" — sings and adds her talent to the spins!

The many calendars, social media post and newspaper pieces offer a running list of things on the horizon both short and long term. As two famous artists said, "Music can change the world" (Ludwig van Beethoven) and "Music is life itself" (Louis Armstrong).

Watch the Riverwalk calendar for upcoming events, concerts and happenings.

Find some great locations, invite your family and friends, and let the music soothe your soul!



Lori McQuestion - "Two Story Lori"

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Over the course of my career, I have been able to effectively prosecute highprofile personal injury and wrongful death cases and successfully obtain multimillion dollar results for my clients. In fact, I was recently recognized in the 2021 Edition of Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch!

My areas of practice include personal injury and wrongful death cases arising out of motor vehicle accidents, premises liability, medical negligence, nursing home negligence, negligent security, products liability, pharmaceutical liability, and maritime incidents. I have a network of consultants, experts, and other professionals to achieve the outcome you deserve in an efficient and expeditious manner

When I'm not helping my clients, I enjoy playing Australian rules football, tennis, and volleyball, cooking, wine tasting, traveling, going to the theater, concerts, and stand-up comedy, and playing the piano.

I joined Riverwalk because I love the City of Fort Lauderdale and want to be more active in community events.



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• Having enjoyed the local boating lifestyle and raising two fine people in Fort Lauderdale since the 1990s, I have become a big fan of the Riverwalk. In fact, I was married to my husband, Bruce, on the New River more than 20 years ago. I love the blend of marine and urban lifestyle we enjoy and that is why I am happy to support Riverwalk.

I am a professional engineer and LEED Associate Professional and have been fortunate to participate in several environmental enhancement projects in our community in my role as an environmental consultant for E Sciences. Projects include assisting the City with seawall rehabilitations, water quality improvement, endangered species protection, wetland creation and improved stormwater management. I am very pleased to announce that E Sciences is now RES, the nation's largest ecological restoration company. RES is focused on restoring a resilient earth for a modern world. We restore our land and waters with ecological integrity and innovation. We support the rehabilitation and stewardship of nature's resources alongside responsible human progress.

As an advocate for sustainable development and environmental Justice, I have served as president/chair of the Florida Brownfields Association (FBA) and Smart Growth Partnership and am a member for the FBA's Environmental Justice Foundation. I also served on the Broward County Brownfields Redevelopment Task Force, the MPO's Community Advisory Council and Fort Lauderdale Community Advisory Board. I hope to continue to my work, both professionally and personally, to improve equity for all and sustainability of our resources. 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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Funky Buddha partnered with Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale for Riverwalk Rhythm and Brews on April 15 in Esplanade Park. The event featured live music, free lawn games, cold beers, and food trucks curated by The Burger Beast.



The Spider Cherry Band

DJ Jason Jiggs



Suzanne Onodi and Gabriella Berenyi



Mark Lavellee, Adriana Becerra, Maritza Rodriguez and Teri Miglin



Jacob Leachman, Brandon Drexler and Stephanie Irwin



Monica and Gustavo Lizana



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Brandon Bogumill, Regan Byrne and Daniel Bogumill



Rhythm and Brews at Esplanade Park



Jessie Gallor, Maria Sanatoria and Raul Arbelaez





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CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE





THE HEART AND SOUL OF THE CITY

FREE CONCERTS ABOUND THROUGHOUT THE SUMMER



G reetings Fort Lauderdale. Our city is known for its scenic waterways, arts, culture and special events, and spring is one of the most beautiful seasons to explore it all. Views along the New River reflect a bustling Riverwalk where locals and visitors enjoy leisurely strolls, shop from local merchants and experience live music along the historic brick-lined walkway.

District 3 brings arts and culture to the city on a monthly basis. Sistrunk Boulevard — better known as "The Heart and Soul of the City" — is the main roadway through Fort Lauderdale's Historic Northwest District Area and is flanked on both sides by locallyowned businesses. It is a residential community that is also rich with notable churches and plentiful parks. The neighborhood is bolstered by its central location connecting to Downtown Fort Lauderdale, Progresso, and Flagler Village.

The City's Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) hosts a free outdoor pop-up concert event appropriately named Finally Friday. This family-friendly event is held at Provident Park and features food trucks, vendors, live music, a kids' zone and opportunities to meet representatives from the Fort Lauderdale CRA as well as promote the new development on the corridor.

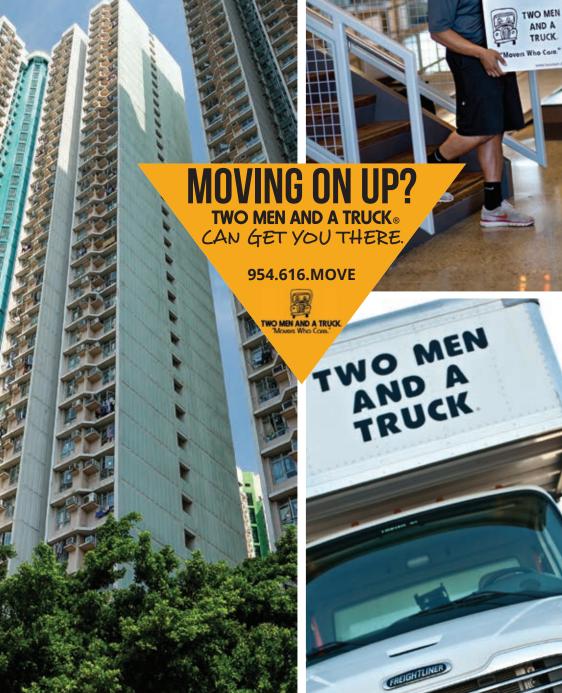
The City's Parks and Recreation Department hosts several other free concerts including Carter Park Jamz, Viernes Musicales, and Summer Jamz. Carter Park Jamz features a broad range of musical varieties with headliners such as Ladies of Soul, Miami Sound-Byte Band and Nue Road. Join us on the third Friday of each month through October.

There is another concert series held at Riverland Park on select Friday nights. Viernes Musicales is a Latin music concert series featuring performances by RD Project on May 8 and Sabor Latino on May 13 and June 1.

Finally, Summer Jamz will return to Mills Pond Park in late August. Last year, special guests included Bel Biv DeVoe and Naughty by Nature, and this year's lineup will be equally sure to please.

For more information on these concerts and more check us out on social media and visit www. fortlauderdale.gov.

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SUMMER FUN IN THE CITY

GREAT AMERICAN BEACH PARTY RETURNS FOR 12TH YEAR

G et ready to kick off the summer with live bands, vintage cars, unique art, outstanding entertainment, and fun in the sun for everyone! It's all happening on Fort Lauderdale Beach at the City's Great American Beach Party on Saturday, May 28, from 11 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. at Las Olas Oceanside Park, located at 3000 E. Las Olas Blvd.

Now in its 12th year, the Great American Beach Party has grown into one of Fort Lauderdale's most anticipated events, attracting families, residents, and visitors for a full day of exciting activities and entertainment. The free event showcases world famous Fort Lauderdale beach, provides local businesses with an added economic boost, and strengthens Fort Lauderdale's reputation as a "must-see" destination.

This year, several bands will perform on stage throughout the day treating crowds to a variety of musical hits.

Award-winning LivingSand artist and sculptor John May returns to present the *Great American Sand Sculpting Contest* from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. on the beach across from Las Olas Oceanside Park. No experience is necessary to participate in this spirited, friendly competition that has become an annual favorite among families, children, neighborhoods, and businesses. Prizes will be awarded for best sand sculptures in a variety of categories.

Automobile enthusiasts won't want to miss the *Great American Classic Car Show*, presented by Keith's Rods and Customs from 11 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Custom classics will line up along Las Olas Boulevard from Seabreeze Boulevard to A1A, giving beach-goers an up close look at a unique collection of vintage hot rods, rag tops, roadsters and muscle cars.

From 11 a.m. to 6:30 p.m., enjoy the Family Fun Zone, located in Las Olas Oceanside Park. Activities for children and adults will include exotic animal demonstrations by the Native Village, face painting, arts and crafts, and a built-in water play feature.

Highlights of the Great American Beach Party will also include displays and exhibits from more than 20 well-known and up-and-coming local artists, community booths, collectibles, and plenty of food and beverages.

In commemoration of Memorial Day Weekend, a military tribute will take place at 2 p.m. to honor the men and women who serve our country in the United States Armed Forces. The tribute will be highlighted by a precision freefall parachute drill performed by the U.S. Special Operations Command Parachute Demonstration Team. This team of skilled Para-Commandoes will skydive from 12,500 feet over the Atlantic Ocean and land on a target positioned in the sand at Las Olas Boulevard and A1A.

Each year, individuals who have made significant contributions to the progress and advancement of the City are honored at the Great American Beach Party with induction into the Fort Lauderdale Walk of Fame, which is located along the east side of A1A at Las Olas Boulevard. The official Walk of Fame induction ceremony will take place at 3:15 p.m.

This year's Walk of Fame honorees are businessman, educator, and musician James A. Dallas Sr.; president and CEO of Winterfest, Inc., Lisa Scott-Founds; the mother of Fort Lauderdale, Ivy Cromartie Stranahan; and president of the Water Taxi of Fort Lauderdale, William Walker. Each honoree will receive a commemorative bronze paver placed in the Walk of Fame to memorialize their outstanding accomplishments.

The Great American Beach Party is produced by the City of Fort Lauderdale and sponsored by the Greater Fort Lauderdale Convention & Visitors Bureau and Budweiser.

For complete event details including parking, shuttle, and traffic information, please visit www.parks. fortlauderdale.gov/gabp.



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BY KAREN WARFEL City of Fort Lauderdale Transportation Planning Program Manager



REIMAGINING NORTHEAST 15TH AVENUE

FOR EVERYONE UNDER THE SUN

n a previous column, I wrote about Tactical Urbanism and how it is used in the transportation field to create changes to a street through lower cost methods, often as an interim to a larger project. This method is being used on Northeast 15th Avenue between Sunrise Boulevard and Northeast 13th Street to being implementation of a project for which the Lake Ridge neighborhood has been advocating for many years.

This piece of Northeast 15th Avenue is a remnant of a time when engineers in South Florida were preparing for an unknown vehicle-centered future by converting neighborhood residential streets to large thoroughfares to move vehicles quickly. This was often done at the expense of the front yards of homes and created something more akin to a highway in the place of what was once a residential street. This design practice has had real consequences, including creating a street that is unsafe for all users.

Northeast 15th Avenue is an example of where just one segment of a road went through the conversion, but the other pieces north and south were never converted, creating an out of place two blocks of street surrounded by homes in Lake Ridge. In this stretch, there is a lack of accommodations for pedestrians or bicyclists, while the areas north and south are more suited for all modes. There are no crosswalks; however, 216 bicycles and pedestrians crossed Northeast 15th Avenue at Northeast 11th Street within an 11-hour period showing there is demand for a crosswalk at this location.

There are bike lanes to the north of Northeast 13th Street nearly to Northeast 26th Street in Wilton Manors that again continue north nearly to Oakland Park Boulevard. The missing link between Northeast 11th Street and Northeast 13th Street will complete an important connection to the bike route east/west on Northeast 11th Street and access to businesses along Sunrise Boulevard.

This tactical urbanism project is being funded by the Broward Metropolitan Planning Organization and the City of Fort Lauderdale and will add paint, delineators and planters to the recent lane re-purposing project that was completed with just lane striping by the City. These elements will help further define the spaces for each user and create a sense of place for the neighborhood. Part of the installation process is the selection of the art to be used. This was selected at a

recent community meeting to be native birds as seen in the graphic below.

If you would like to be part of transforming a street to a place that you would like to use, please join us May 12 through 15 between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. to help install these amazing features that will truly transform the corridor. Please visit the project website at https:// arcg.is/1WT4LL0 for more information on the project and to register for a time to volunteer to help with installation. 🕲



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BY PHILLIP DUNLAP Director, Broward Cultural Division



ANNUAL REPORT OF ARTS AND CULTURE

REFLECTING ON THE PAST YEAR TO ENSURE THE FUTURE IS BRIGHT

he Cultural Division's recently published fiscal year 2021 annual report provides an informative look into the impact of Broward County's considerable investment in arts and culture. While quantifying this impact is not an easy task, the report, available online at www.Broward.org/Arts, offers an easily accessible overview of the year's activities (covering fiscal year 2021, which spans from Oct. 1 to Sept. 30), including dollars granted to artists and non-profit organizations, public art allocations, newly completed public art projects, community engagement and marketing initiatives.

As a Broward County agency, the Cultural Division's budget comes from tax dollars appropriated during the annual budget process. During FY21, the Cultural Division's total expenditures were just over \$7.5 million. The biggest chunk of the annual allocations goes to our grantmaking program, which provided \$4.8 million in funding for 129 non-profit organizations and 34 artists. In total, 167 grants were awarded (this number doesn't include an additional \$2.5 million in CARES funding authorized by the County Commission that the Division also administered in FY21).

Another way the County invests in arts and culture is through the Division's Public Art & Design program, which funds public art projects through an ordinance that allocates 2% of County construction projects to public art. Through this program, seven new public artworks were completed and installed in FY21 at Port Everglades, Fort Lauderdale-Hollywood International Airport, Broward Municipal Services District, and the newly completed Lauderhill Transit Station.

The Division's efforts aren't limited to grants and public art. Our Community



Engagement section is actively working to develop the Destination Sistrunk Cultural Center in the Sistrunk neighborhood, with a goal to create a neighborhood cultural asset full of arts activities. There is also our rigorous teaching artist training program that helps develop (and certify) Broward artists as teachers who can provide high-quality education services to schools and other community organizations. Additionally, the Cultural Division is committed to communication and

> elevating arts and culture, which we do via print and digital advertising, events and programing, social media, electronic communications, storytelling and our websites – including www.ArtsCalendar.com, where you can find hundreds of arts and culture events in greater Fort Lauderdale.

The County's commitment to the development of arts and culture has been steadfast. The commission even approved a modest increase in the Division's FY22 budget despite the challenges created by Covid. As more of Broward's municipalities create their own cultural departments and initiatives, the future for the growth of the arts here is bright.

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hether you're a local mom and pop shop or a large corporation, businesses of all shapes and sizes must keep up with the never-ending bills for the services keeping their offices and stores running smoothly. However, for most companies, they don't often stop to ask the question – am I being unnecessarily overcharged?

For entrepreneurs like Rick Giambanco, he asked himself that exact question when he started his own business with the goal to help companies get the most out of their service contracts while not getting scammed in the process.

Giambanco got his start working at AT&T where he found his desire to help people by providing solutions to their many problems.

"I loved helping people. I loved that I could help solve their problems quickly and have a customer walk out with a smile on their face and less of a headache than when they walked in," he said. However, throughout his time working for the telecommunication company, he realized there was room for improvement.

"Throughout my time there, I noticed two things – the aggravation that our customers would go through trying to find the best deals on our services but also they were just getting ripped off. They were all overpaying on their services and it wasn't their fault. That's just not the kind of knowledge companies are simply going to give their customers," he said.

So, with that observation, Giambanco decided he couldn't let people overpay when he knew there was a better solution. In 2016, his dream was realized when he launched Premier Solutions Inc., which works as the liaison between businesses and their service providers to negotiate a lower price on their bills.

The process begins once you email your bills and invoices



to the team at Premier Solutions. From there, they will work directly with your vendors to renegotiate, obtain bigger discounts, better savings, and reduce thousands off of your contracts with them. After their negotiations are completed, they will walk their customers through a step-by-step review of their new savings. However, their



work doesn't stop there. Premier Solutions will continue to monitor your account, long after their negotiations conclude, to keep vendors accountable and stay aware of any other service or billing issues that may arise.

Yet, for Premier Solutions, their negotiating expertise is not only available for saving money on telecommunication contracts such as internet, phone, and other similar services. The Fort Lauderdale-based business also negotiates bills and service contracts for services including printing, shipping, waste and recycling, e-signature and software contracts, and even merchant services such as debit and credit card transaction fees.

"We negotiate with all kinds of service providers but at our core we are a full cost reduction company working to help all types and sizes of businesses save money," said Giambanco. As for the price breakdown of Premier Solutions' services, it works out to be a 60/40 split with 60 percent of the savings obtained going directly to the customer and the other 40 percent being used as payment for their negotiating services.

His ultimate goal is not only to help his clients save money on their bills but also to avoid the hassle of negotiating directly with each one of their vendors.

"You don't run into too many business owners who want to overpay for their services. So, for them reducing the cost of their bills is a no brainer but how to go about that in a real way is another thing. That's why we're here, to help them save money without all the hassle of doing the negotiating themselves," he said. (1)

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



MOVING FORWARD

SOUTH FLORIDA ADDRESSES TRANSPORTATION CHALLENGES

oving people and goods in South Florida is becoming more challenging. Great cities, regions and economies require continual attention to our transportation needs. Elected leaders must champion solutions.

Our governments have been doing a reasonable job. Witness the new runway at Fort Lauderdale International Airport (FLL) and the master plan in motion to move traffic more freely. Anyone who has been trying to pick someone up or circling to find a parking place will attest to that need.

A conveyance system from FLL to Port Everglades has always been high on my list. For the last 15 years I have dreamed about a system that would let our guests arrive for a cruise and never have to touch their bags. They simply show up in their stateroom. Wouldn't that be nice?

We expanded I-595 in record time by enlisting the private sector. The private sector also brought us Brightline in record time.

To import and export we have invested heavily at Port Everglades with cranes and prepared for deepening and widening of the channel. We will have more room with an expansive turning notch and the intermodal container transport facility seems like old news now.

Residents voted in November 2018 for a discretionary surtax of one penny for 30 years, all for transportation. At the time it was suggested the surtax would pay for \$16 billion in transportation improvements. Government transportation projects take a long time to materialize.

We have been working on Port Everglades deepening for 26 years and we have yet to deepen for mega freighter ships. Now we are wrestling over how to bring commuter rail to the Florida East Coast Railway (FEC).

The rail system proposes six stops in Broward — Hollywood, FLL, Fort Lauderdale, Oakland Park, Pompano Beach and Deerfield. Cities would build the platforms and we would gain urban connectivity. One opportunity is putting this train in motion without causing major disruption to our marine industry.

Boats of all sizes travel the New River daily to get to our boatyards for service. Freight trains and Brightline cause disruption to this marine traffic but it is manageable. A bascule bridge must lower for trains to pass and it's too low to pass under on the water. Adding commuter rail without a new solution to cross the river would be disaster for the marine industry.

Which brings us to the solutions — a new bridge or a tunnel under the river. There are pluses and minuses for all. My organization supports a tunnel solution if in the end it is financially feasible. If not, we support a 55-foothigh bridge. Without a viable solution the commuter rail system is bisected into a north and south route.

Our elected county commissioners and our county administrator must lead us to a solution. Anything less is unacceptable.



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BY PHIL PURCELL CEO/President, Marine Industries Association of South Florida Writer Liz Wegerer



BEACH MUSIC

LOCAL MUSICIANS ENTERTAIN WATERFRONT FANS

usic and the nautical lifestyle go hand in hand. Whether you're cruising the Intracoastal, anchored on a secluded sandbar, or docked at one of Fort Lauderdale's waterfront resorts, it is a near guarantee there will be music in the air.

Of course, you don't need a boat to enjoy the moodboosting mix of live entertainment and a waterfront view. Fort Lauderdale is blessed with an abundance of entertainment destinations along our rivers and coastlines.



Lane Braden

Kark Zaden

And in those sunny, relaxed settings you'll also find many local musicians entertaining the crowds.

This perfect pairing of water and music isn't unique to south Florida, but it is on prominent display here more than anywhere else. From riverfront tiki huts to upscale al fresco dining, people can enjoy live music combined with salty ocean breezes nearly 365 days a year.

Two local talents that are ubiquitous to the Fort Lauderdale music scene are Mark Zaden and Lane Braden. Their backgrounds are quite different, yet they've both found their place in the city's music scene.

You'll have to look hard to find a musician more at home in Fort Lauderdale than Mark Zaden. Born and raised here, he enjoyed the quintessential south Florida upbringing filled with countless hours fishing and exploring local waterways with friends. All that time on the water instilled in him a lifelong love of all things marine.

Pairing his passion for music with his love of south Florida's nautical lifestyle came naturally. Mark has performed in the area for decades, taking a break from full-time musician status only when he started a family (he's dad to three teenagers – two girls and a boy). In 2019, after 15 years in the mortgage industry, Mark returned to performing full-time. Paying tribute to south Florida's most abundant natural resource, today Mark plays almost exclusively at venues on the water.

Whether it's the Loop, the beachside tiki hut at Beachcomber, Birch State Park, or another popular waterfront spot, you can find Mark and his aptly named The Weedline Band playing their distinctive mix of Jimmy Buffet-inspired music Wednesday-Sunday most weeks. You can also catch their nautical vibe on their latest video, Propwalking On The Sea, inspired by Mark's childhood growing up in Fort Lauderdale.

Lane Braden is another seasoned musician intricately woven into Fort Lauderdale's marine lifestyle. Originally from Branson, Missouri – the U.S. live music theater capital – Lane's been performing and producing almost all his life. After building a successful career in the music industry while based in Chicago, he was lured to south Florida seven years ago by the promise of warm weather and year-round sunshine.

Lane has a diverse musical repertoire, covering rock, pop, R&B, island rock, yacht rock, dance and more. He performs at many local resorts, clubs, and waterfront stages, and has been a staple at the annual Marine Industries Association of South Florida's Waterway Cleanup event, performing live for the past three years. He's actively involved with several local charities and runs his own production company.

He's also a yacht entertainment expert who works with corporate and private clients to provide live music and DJ services on board vessels of all sizes. Of course, playing music at sea isn't all smooth sailing. Lane's had his share of nautical challenges, like navigating narrow passageways with 70-pound equipment cases and dealing with rapidly changing weather conditions.

Yet through it all, Lane remains unphased and responds to whatever obstacles are thrown his way while on the water. After all, the show must go on. "You just gotta roll with the tide," he says.

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MARKET REPORTS

A SNAPSHOT OF THE PRIOR MONTH'S SALES DATA IN BROWARD COUNTY

he Broward County Property Appraiser's Office gathers property sales information across the county on an ongoing basis. The BCPA Market Report, which is updated on the 16th of every month, reflects the prior month's sales data. These monthly reports provide a visual representation of the properties sold along with the median sale prices for residential properties. The top five cities with the most sales are also listed. The BCPA Market Report can be found at https:// web.bcpa.net/bcpaclient/#/Report-Market-Sales.

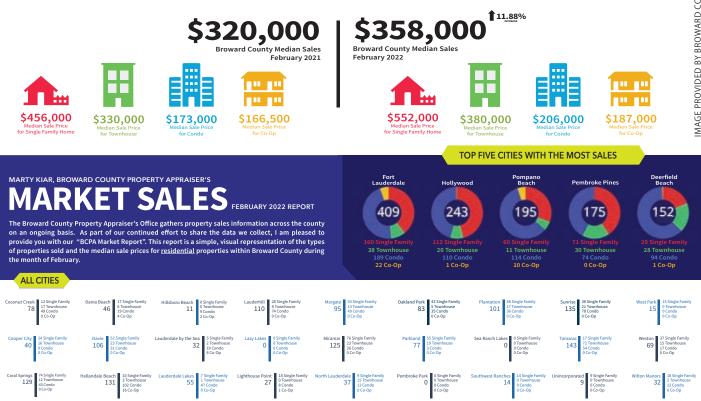
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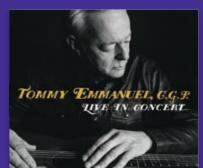
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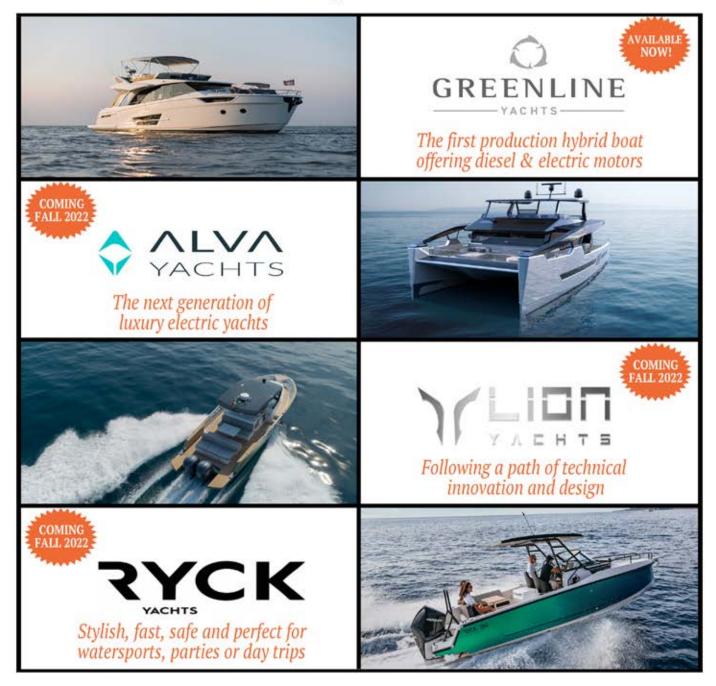
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FORT LAUDERDALE'S MUSIC SCENE

A SAMPLING OF LOCAL MUSIC ORGANIZATIONS WHO KEEP MUSIC ALIVE IN SOUTH FLORIDA

WRITER MADELAINE K. BOYER

here's truly nothing like experiencing live music, whether it's for the first time or the 50th time. It's no wonder world renowned artists like Louis Armstrong spoke so highly of music saying, "Music is life itself." It can truly be found at the center of everything we do and nobody knows that better than the people of Fort Lauderdale.

Over the years, the South Florida mecca for music has set itself apart as one of the best cities to see all types of live music. From seeing a solo artist sing their heart out at the local dive bar to a grand orchestra performing at The Parker, there are all kinds of musical performances to be seen and heard throughout the city. Though no one does it quite like these organizations who have certainly made their mark on the music community of Fort Lauderdale in different but equally impactful ways.

The Parker

Fort Lauderdale is home to so many well-known and historical live performance venues. However, none quite compare to The Parker. The 1,147-seat theater opened to the public back in 1967 as Fort Lauderdale's first ever live theater venue long before the Broward Center broke ground.

"The Parker was originally the premier Broadway playhouse for South Florida," said Matt McNeil, vice president of programming and marketing for the Broward Center.

"It was built to be the home of Broadway in South Florida long before the Broward Center was even built," he said.

The Broward Center is widely known now as the premier venue for musicals, plays, and the like, while The Parker has cemented its place in Fort Lauderdale as the go-to spot for live music performances.

Ironically, before The Parker became synonymous with live music, it was designed just for that purpose. "When you think about the way they needed to design a theater space back then, they didn't have the modern electronics, sound, and lighting that we take for granted today. It was designed to be acoustically perfect and every seat in the house was built to be able to see the stage perfectly," McNeil said.

"So, when you take these original theaters built that way and bring them into the modern age of sound and lights, new buildings can't replicate that. That's part of the magic of The Parker."

Today, The Parker is busier than ever with a packed schedule for this year with 17 shows in April alone. "I love looking at the calendar of upcoming acts we have coming to The Parker. From performers like Todrick Hall and Kenny G. to music institutions like the South Florida Symphony Orchestra, in terms of the music community, The Parker covers it all," McNeil said.



Fort Lauderdale Gav Men's Chorus

For members and allies of the LGBTQIA+ community, they are no stranger to the cultural powerhouse that is the Fort Lauderdale Gay Men's Chorus.

Following the attendance of a performance by the Gay Men's Chorus of New York at Carnegie Hall, Dr. Gary Keating officially started his own chorus in Fort Lauderdale in 1986 which officially became the first gay performing arts organization in the state of Florida.

From that moment on, the organization has changed the community for the better and continues its positive impact through their live music performances which bring people of all backgrounds together.

"Gary did more than just start a chorus. He created a sense of community," said Justin Knight, president of Fort Lauderdale Gay Men's Chorus. "That's a really big part of our culture and because of that our audience is very diverse. I would say at least half of our audience is straight so it's not like we're only performing for other LGBTQ people. We have a very broad network of supporters across the whole spectrum."

This diverse community of supporters is especially important in today's difficult political climate. With new bills such as the Don't Say Gay Bill being passed in Florida which prohibits the discussion of the LGBTQIA+ community and its history in elementary school classrooms has directly impacted the community and its allies in a harmful, negative way.

"Unfortunately, this is not the first time our community has been targeted in this way. We have stood up against this type of bullying and discrimination for 35 years which we have done by building and bringing together communities through music instead of dividing them," said Knight. So, now more than ever is the time to come out to support this amazing organization at their 35th anniversary musical celebration entitled "Why We Sing!" which will take place on May 7 at UCC Fort Lauderdale.



School of Rock

No matter your age, background, or proclivity for music, it's never too late to add more harmony into your life by taking classes at a music school like School of Rock.

Founded in 2018, School of Rock Fort Lauderdale is for the musically gifted, people learning for the first time, and everyone in between. With a variety of music programs for people of all ages including kids aged 6 to 17 as well as adults 18 and up there is something for everyone regardless of skill level.

"School of Rock is for everybody. We don't admit kids or adults to the school based on ability. As long as you're looking to learn and have fun, that's all that matters," said Burny Pelsmajer, regional manager of School of Rock Broward County.

However, where School of Rock differs from other music schools is its dedication to giving its students real life

performance experiences.

"School of Rock doesn't do lessons only. We start with the basics of music theory and how to play their instruments or sing but we're also working our way up to a live performance where kids of all ages work together to put on a real show in front of a real audience," Pelsmajer said.

In fact, for students like Stella Pyle, who hopes to one day audition for American Idol or even start a band of her own, she has learned the benefits of hard work through collaborating with kids of all ages.

"It's not necessarily about how good you are but it's about how much effort you put into the show at the end of the season, which is really, really fun because you get to show everybody what you've learned and the songs that you've practiced so hard, and it's all worth it to see everybody smiling and working together," she said.



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RUSTIC BITES & BOTANICAL FORWARD SIPS

WRITER RENÉE KORBEL QUINN

emphis Garrett put together an awesome team with Executive Chef Austin Blake and creative Beverage Director Chevy Farrell at the new Ya Mas! Taverna on Las Olas.

The tapas-style dinner menu reflects Mediterranean flavors showcasing classic dishes and modern interpretations from Turkey, Greece and Israel. Small, medium and large plates are designed for sharing family-style. The cocktail program is inspired by summers on the Med, with flavors crafted from the kitchen, including an array of spritzes

served individual and for sharing. Perfect for a date night! Our adventure

started with the **Graceful G&T** featuring gin, Mediterranean tonic, pink peppercorn, juniper and lime and the **Fig Old Fashioned,** a perfectly figged bourbon with pistachio demerara syrup, angostura and orange bitters.



Whipped feta and labneh pistachio, Greek honey, pickled onions



Lamb meatballs feijoada, feta foam



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Short rib "Moussaka" with bechamel, crispy eggplant, marinated tomato and a side of grilled broccolini

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MAY 2

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Post Malone

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MAY 6 & 7 Legally Blonde: Teen Spring Musical The Performance Project's teen cast Broward Center for the Performing Arts 954-462-0222 www.browardcenter.org

MAY 7

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MAY 8



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MAY 10 & 11 7th Annual Behavioral Health Conference The Power of Prevention United Way of Broward County Signature Grand

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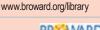
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BIGS OF THE YEAR WITH CHAD VAN HORN AND MALENA MENDEZ



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