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**JUST SOLD!**

### CHAMPAGNE

2 BEDROOM + DEN 2.5 BATH

Panoramic ocean, city & river views from every room in this high floor residence. This is a flow through unit with east & west exposures offering the best of both worlds, sunrise over the water & sunsets over the city. Gourmet kitchen with an array of high-end appliances.

**UNDER CONTRACT**

### CHAMPAGNE

2 BEDROOM + DEN 2.5 BATH

Direct River Views from this remodeled Champagne South designer unit that offers a flow through floor plan with east & west exposures. Top tier quality finishes & craftsmanship. Jerusalem stone throughout, modern grey & white quartzite kitchen, beautifully designed baths, custom lighting, solid doors & hardware, custom wall units, stone accent walls, crown moldings & retiled terraces.

**JUST SOLD!**

### CHAMPAGNE

2 BEDROOM + DEN 2.5 BATH

Remarkable views encompassing the waterways of Fort Lauderdale. 33rd floor Champagne model positioned in the center of the building, looking right down the river. Open living areas with marble floors, over 2,100 sq. ft. The gourmet Poggenpohl kitchen & separate breakfast nook overlooking the river & ocean.

**JUST LISTED**

### BRADFORD | \$1,325,000

2 BEDROOM 2 BATH

Shows like a model! This High floor Bradford floor plan delivers the highly desired water views & the expanded open kitchen! Upgraded with marble floors, crown moldings & custom window treatments. The renovations are done for you! Beautifully designed Poggenpohl kitchen features upgraded waterfall granite countertops, double ovens, an array of high end appliances & ample cabinetry. The master & guest suite both feature rich wood floors, modernized baths with built in cabinets, LED lighting & zebra wood floating vanities, walk in closets & access to the expansive terrace.

**UNDER CONTRACT**

### BRADFORD

2 BEDROOM 2 BATH

Highly sought-after 36th floor Bradford South with unobstructed views of the ocean & river. High end finishes featured throughout this split bedroom floor plan include marble floors & baseboards, an array of high-end appliances, river facing oversized terrace accessible from every room & floor to ceiling glass.

**JUST SOLD!**

### BRADFORD

2 BEDROOM 2 BATH

Unobstructed views from this high floor Bradford model, redesigned to maximize the use of living space! Light & bright with water views from every room, this custom floor plan features new porcelain tile floors, glossy doors & moldings, modernized kitchen with extended breakfast bar, full mosaic glass back splash, top of the line appliances & custom bar!



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## RIVER HOUSE



### PENTHOUSE | \$5,995,000

5 BEDROOM 6.5 BATH

Over 8,300 sq. ft. of modern design, soaring 3 levels up a spiral staircase, & offering Panoramic views of the entire city, ocean & cruise ships. Dramatic floor to ceiling glass reaching heights of over 20 feet, areas for entertainment & several terraces providing functional flow to outdoor spaces.

**JUST SOLD!**

### PARK

3 BEDROOM 3 BATH

Pristine Park model with custom interiors by Steven G. River & ocean views from this luxury residence spread over 3200 sq. ft. of highly upgraded interiors featuring marble floors with custom inlays, customized ceilings & 4 terraces.

**NEWLY PRICED!**

### LEXINGTON | \$1,249,900

2 BEDROOM 2.5 BATH

Live lavishly in this Lexington floor plan. Over 1850 sq. ft. of open living space with marble & hardwood floors, a private elevator entry with custom moldings, doors & fixtures. Modernized baths with book matched porcelain, illuminated vanities, & European fixtures. Floor to ceiling glass surrounds the unit, leading out to 2 terraces with river & pool views.

**NEWLY PRICED!**

### LEXINGTON | \$1,075,000

2 BEDROOM 2.5 BATH

This stunning high floor Lexington model with sunrise & sunset river views in the landmark Las Olas River House. Private elevator, beautiful marble floors throughout with 9 ft ceilings, custom gourmet kitchen, open floor plan with top-of-the-line finishes, walk in closets 2 large marble terraces.

**JUST LISTED**

### SOHO | \$799,000

2 BEDROOM 2 BATH

Beautifully appointed high floor 2 bedroom 2 bathroom with sparkling city views. This split bedroom floor plan features marble floors, gourmet kitchen, floor to ceiling windows & electric car charging station at parking space.

**UNDER CONTRACT**

### 1 BEDROOM 1 BATH

Beautifully furnished 1 bedroom 1 bath with marble floors. Gourmet kitchen, large living area with floor to ceiling sliders leading out to the terrace.



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**JUST SOLD!** SEAVIEW

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**NEWLY PRICED!** SEAVIEW | \$919,000

Impeccable 3 bedroom 2 bath custom remodel with ocean & river views! Designer finishes include: wood flooring, large eat in kitchen with quartz countertops, custom soft close cabinets/drawers with lazy susan corner & pantry pull outs, full tile backsplash, custom lighting throughout, fully renovated bathrooms with double sinks, frameless shower doors, built in closets, full size washer/dryer & multiple glass balconies. Full service building with 5 star lifestyle amenities including concierge, tropical pool deck/hot tub, clubroom, business center, theater with movie schedule, pet friendly, 2 story gym and 24 hour valet/security.

**JUST SOLD!** SKYVIEW

High floor 2 bedroom 2 bathroom Sky View model with beautiful upgrades & sparkling city views! This split bedroom floor plan features polished marble floors, modern grey & white quartz kitchen with waterfall edge countertops & full backsplash, stainless appliances & brushed nickel hardware.

**JUST SOLD!** SKYVIEW

Stunning sunsets & river views from this 2 bedroom 2 bathroom. Enjoy views of the river & vibrant Las Olas from all rooms of this split bedroom floor plan. Tile flooring throughout, bright kitchen with new appliances and cabinets, floor to ceiling windows opening to a glass balcony.

**JUST SOLD!** SUNGARDEN

High floor 1 bedroom 1 bath with amazing city & sunset views! Open living/dining area, gourmet kitchen with counter seating, granite countertops, beautiful tile flooring, floor to ceiling impact windows, new a/c unit & washer/dryer.

**JUST SOLD!** SUNGARDEN

Rarely available 1 bedroom 1 bathroom 30th floor sub-penthouse. Amazing city & sunset views with 10 ft volume ceilings. Open living/dining area, gourmet kitchen with counter seating, tile flooring throughout, floor to ceiling impact windows, washer and dryer in unit and large glass balcony.



NUR RIVER  
LANDING

**1 BEDROOM 1 BATH | \$435,000**

Rarely on the market river facing 1 bedroom 1 bathroom with a terrace providing river & ocean views from every room! Open living areas, granite counter tops, stainless steel appliances and tile floors throughout. Storage unit included.

**JUST SOLD!** 1 BEDROOM 1 BATH

River facing 1 bedroom 1 bathroom with a terrace providing river & ocean views from every room! Open living areas, granite counter tops, stainless appliances, new hunter Douglas window treatments, newer A/C and water heater, walk to famous Las Olas with all new restaurants, art galleries, and new Greenwise market.

**UNDER CONTRACT** DOWNTOWN STUDIO

24th floor studio with 11 foot ceilings, tiled floors throughout, stainless steel appliances, granite countertops, washer/dryer in the unit, 3 closets and outstanding river, ocean & city views. Amenities include 25th floor pool, fitness center, library, meditation garden, spa, 24 hr. security & valet.



**JUST LISTED** 2 BEDROOM 2 BATH | \$695,000

Renovated corner unit with wrap around terrace offering city and sunset views. Upgrade kitchen, baths, flooring, California closets, modern fixtures and more! Pristine and priced to sell!



BY RICHARD RODRIGUEZ  
Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale Chair



# UNSUNG HEROES

PROVIDING GREAT SERVICE, WITH LITTLE RECOGNITION

Unsung heroes is the most special kind of description one could use. This represents people going about their daily life and job and doing the right thing with no expectation that recognition is wanted or needed. They do it for all of the right reasons and believe it to be the correct way to perform.


As we look about in the community, there are these kinds of people every place. (See our feature story beginning on page 36.) From city employees that do basic jobs that assure our quality of life to FPL workers that assure our power, police and fire who assure our safety to a host of others. We forget about the truck driver that delivers food and goods to our stores, the street sweeper that keeps our roadway clear, the maintenance staff at buildings that keep things in good working order and presentable.

Our parks and landscape crews take pride in keeping our greenspaces and walkways clear and blooming. Along our waterways, we find water transportation captains who deliver us and boats safely from one location to another. Our bridge tenders reside on our bridges and manage our travel both from the waterway

to our roadways – you will likely never see a face or name but a great service that is provided.

Restaurants always have great servers and bartenders but there are bar-backs and table runners who assure that your orders are provided to you as quickly as possible. The public knows chefs but the kitchen staff that works to prepare foods for your culinary taste are rarely seen or known. Hotel housekeeping staff are also some of those unsung heroes that prepare and care for your rooms and assure a pleasant stay.

If you look around – you will find that these types of people are large and diverse. Health care staff, childcare and school staff, including roadside assistance teams, all going about their daily business and again remain unknown or acknowledged for their works.

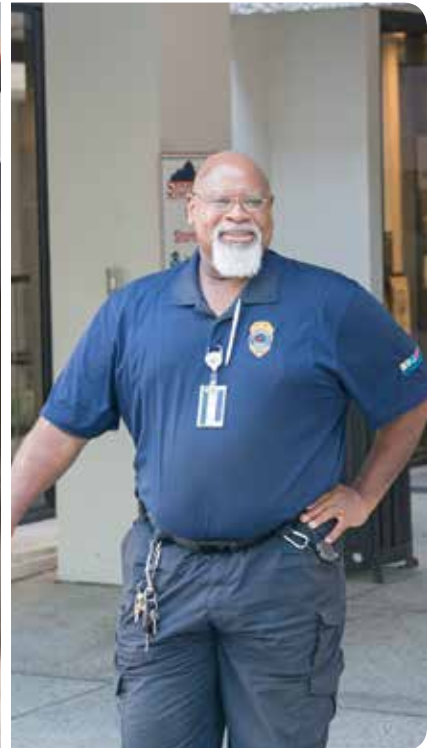
Unheralded or unrecognized further describes these individuals and many prefer it that way. I would suggest that in any industry, service or even household, there are unsung heroes. It is important to take a minute and notice all of the individuals around you that perform a job, a service or provide assistance that are never called out or even praised for the positive impacts they have. 



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## FIND YOUR SPACE

THE BENEFITS OF GREEN SPACES AND PARKS IN OUR CITY

**P**ublic space is precious in a growing community and we continue to try to identify opportunities for the City to consider. Green space is especially important for physical health. These spaces create an environment that support active lifestyles and improve access to exercise opportunities. Additionally these spaces provide a passive environment that also generates a form of relaxation that is regenerative as well. Studies have shown that green spaces can lower levels of stress and reduce rates of depression and anxiety. No matter how large or small an area is, it provides a respite and place to regenerate and improves general well-being.

Green spaces and parks provide a variety of options to residents and visitor from the passive approach to the active approach and there is yet another item that is many times overlooked. Flora, fauna, animals and more teach us about our earth. In Fort Lauderdale Downtown, we have a number of unique and protected trees and shrubs that add to the beauty of these areas. Many of our greenspaces Downtown are tied to the New River. These parks, urban forest, tree-lined streets and riverbanks support urban well-being by providing space for rest, relaxation and exercise and by keeping temperature down.

Some of these parks and greenspaces act as catalyst for economic development in cities by drawing residents,

tourists and businesses to the area. These spaces also many times act as event or festival venues that attract more public to the urban core and by doing so support surrounding businesses as well.

In the urban core of Downtown Fort Lauderdale, parks and greenspaces play an active role in attracting people. Easy public transportation, both by land and water, a large variety of things to do in the parks, including events and festivals, access to cultural venues including Broward Center for the Performing Arts. The Museum of Discovery and Science, NSU Art Museum Fort Lauderdale, Historical Society, as well as a very large assortment of restaurants to thrill your culinary tastes – all become reasons to leave your buildings and enjoy the area, draw visitors to the area, and engage a willing public.

Paddleboard/kayaking, pleasure boats/cruises, walks, runs, formal games, festivals and other signature events are the catalyst of why many choose to live in Downtown or near Downtown. Our Commission continues to make it a priority to offer a wide variety of activities and for this, our economic engineer is purring for sure!


If you can identify opportunities for the acquisition of additional greenspace in Downtown Fort Lauderdale, please contact your commissioner immediately so that we do not lose an opportunity to grow this space. 



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➊ I am a banker in the Las Olas office of J.P. Morgan Private Bank. I have the privilege of serving as a trusted adviser to a select group of wealthy clients focused on all aspects of wealth management to achieve better outcomes through an elevated experience. Whether you're focused on building, preserving or transferring wealth I have a team in place to help you plan, invest, borrow and bank to achieve your goals. This includes if you are new to wealth or have been managing wealth for generations – so that you can make even more of the success you've already created.

How we do that is what's different here – and unique. First, the standard of service, and more importantly, the style of service at the Private Bank truly set us apart. Here, I work with a team that will take the time to understand you, your family and your goals. Everything we do is personal and revolves around my knowledge of what you want to achieve and how you like to work. Our culture is designed for collaboration, so I cooperate across our various areas of expertise to help you tap into the full value of the Private Bank.

I like to give back for all that I received. As a result I am involved with various philanthropic causes in the arts and aquatics, including Riverwalk.

When I'm not helping my clients I enjoy bringing my family and friends to Riverwalk as it truly is a happy place and hidden gem of Las Olas. Born and raised in New York, I am now proud to call Las Olas Isles my new home.



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## UDO WILLERSINN

YACHT SALES INTERNATIONAL

➋ It's not an exaggeration to say I was born into the world of boating. My parents owned a boat business in Germany — where I was born and raised — importing U.S.-made boats to Europe. In fact, I had my first boat when I was five years old! I eventually took over the family business and ran it for many years before selling it and moving to Florida in the late 1990s.

The move to Florida was inspired by my love of the ocean, diving and, of course, the beautiful weather. My partner Wendy and I initially settled on the west coast of Florida and worked in the boating industry prior to founding Yacht Sales International and moving to Fort Lauderdale.

As a long-time yacht broker, I immediately saw the advantage to hybrid boating especially in places like our own Venice of America. With a hybrid boat, you can cruise the waterways on electric power and not have the smell, vibration and fuel consumption you would have on a traditional vessel. Furthermore, you do not need a generator as all the appliances run on an inverter so there's an overall cost savings on general maintenance. In short, it's a different kind of boating.

Wendy and I live on a boat docked on the New River and our office is on the Riverwalk, so it was natural that we would be members of Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale and support their efforts to keep our Downtown beautiful and vibrant.

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# 13TH ANNUAL STONE CRAB AND SEAFOOD FESTIVAL

What a great way to kick off 2023 with the return of the 13th Annual Riverwalk Stone Crab and Seafood Festival on Jan. 7. This much loved event was presented by Rivertail, a great local restaurant and partner. There was no shortage of seafood dishes from some of the best seafood restaurants and gourmet food trucks in the area. Thank you to our sponsors: Rivertail, Vinny's Stone Crab, Finster Murphy, Homestead-Miami Speedway, and S. MARK Graphics.



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Jayden Iannucci and Gianna Herreria at crab races, sponsored by Finster Murphy's

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# PANTHERS WATCH PARTY

Riverwalk and Funky Buddha, in partnership with the Florida Panthers, and celebrating the 85th anniversary of Broward Health, hosted an afternoon watch party at Huizenga Park to a large number of Panther fans and supporters of Broward Health.



Members of the Florida Panthers Dance Team



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Paul Saltzman and Jacob Meredith with Funky Buddha



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KEEP THE ENERGY MOVING

**O**ur district has made great strides with so many positive improvements through our last Commissioner, Robert McKinzie, and I am anxious to keep the energy moving seamlessly until all areas of this district are comparable to the best areas of other districts.

I am delighted to join the esteemed Commission of the City of Fort Lauderdale to represent the constituents in District 3. There was standing-room-only in Fort Lauderdale's City Hall chambers on Dec. 6. Neighbors, family, and friends of all ages packed the room to witness the swearing-in ceremony of the first elected African American woman to serve on the dais in the city's 112-year history.

My journey has been one of great fascination, a blessing of working with supporters who believed in me, and my urgent quest to garner a seat on this Commission. I refused to allow the spirit of pride or self-elevation to be the motivation or drive for my candidacy. Instead, I keep close to my heart the lives, actions, and passions of three noteworthy women who poured their hearts into the soil of this city:

- Sylvia Aldridge: In the 1940s, she was a Black woman acting as an advocate for the people in her community. A successful entrepreneur who owned and operated an employment company, uniform service, and taxi service,

a free-hearted philanthropist; financial contributor and supporter of the construction of Provident Hospital (during the era of segregation, the ONLY hospital IN Fort Lauderdale providing care to Black people).

- Leola McCoy: A civic activist and a prominent environmentalist. She was a five-time candidate who relentlessly and unsuccessfully pursued this same seat to represent District 3.
- Lastly, Magdalene Lewis: A retired educator appointed in November 2008 by the Fort Lauderdale City Commission, she served briefly as commissioner for District 3. They all carved their rightful places in our city's history by giving unselfishly of themselves to ensure greater opportunities for future generations.

I acknowledge those who walked with me and gave so much time — retirement time, making time, finding time, creating time — all invested in me as actions of approval of my candidacy. I am so grateful for their diligence in helping make this day possible. I have made a vow to endeavor to serve with tenacity, keeping District 3 moving forward and providing valuable input for our city in areas of care and trust.

*Most of who I am has been written and is public knowledge. The rest of who I am is yet to be discovered. I am READY to begin this next journey.* 📍



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## COMMUNITY IMPACT

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Within Fort Lauderdale’s long history, I often think about all the moving parts that have really helped build the community and keep it moving forward. First responders, our police officers and firefighters put their lives at risk each and every day to keep our residents safe. Having celebrated National First Responder Appreciation Day this month, I am extremely grateful for their dedicated service day in and day out. In addition to our first responders, Fort Lauderdale has excellent community leaders that have had a significant impact within the city, implementing improvements, planning redevelopments and keeping residents and officials engaged by hosting events within the City of Fort Lauderdale.

The City of Fort Lauderdale’s Fire department was established in 1912 and encompasses 12 stations, which makes it the busiest fire department in Broward County. The division also has special operations teams such as Marine and Dive Rescue as well as SWAT, just to name a few. Until this year, Fort Lauderdale Fire Rescue Department was led by Fire Chief Rhoda Mae Kerr, who in 2018, became the City’s first female fire chief in its 100-plus year history. Now, Chief Steve Gollan manages an estimated 400 firefighter and lifeguards, receiving approximately 45,000 rescue calls annually. This is one of the highest numbers for a department of this size nationally. Thank you for your service to our residents!

Communities such as Imperial Point and The Galt Mile have largely shaped how Fort Lauderdale as a community has thrived. Imperial point was built in 1961 and was one of the first neighborhoods in the City to have sidewalks installed. Since then, there have been vast improvements that have positively impacted the community.

Betty Shelley is the longtime president of Imperial Point Civic Association and has served the interests of Imperial Point for more than 24 years! My wife Eileen and I have had the pleasure of attending her 90th birthday party, along with many other milestones for the community since 2010. Betty has had such an influential impact on hundreds of projects over the years. She said that out of the many projects that she has been a part of, she is most proud of the butterfly garden at the entrance that was built to help preserve the monarch butterflies. She is also extremely proud of the Dottie Mancini Park just behind Broward Health Imperial Point Hospital where they hold many family fun events throughout the year for the community such as their spring, fall and winter festivals that bring our community together.

The Galt Mile Community Association also has been led by two great leaders who have both made an impact on the community. Pio Ieraci was the president of the association for more than 30 years, but sadly lost his life due to Covid in 2020 at just 58 years old. Pio was a

dear friend of mine and he was beloved by the community, which is why last year I had the privilege of running and passing legislation to fund and designate a portion of A1A along Galt Mile in his honor to be known as “Pio Ieraci Memorial Drive.” Since Pio’s passing, Fred Nesbitt has taken on the monumental task of becoming the Galt Mile Community Association president that oversees 35 condominiums with more than 16,000 residents, and has been a great asset to the Galt Community. Fred has a valued leader in the association for years, and has undoubtedly represented the Galt Mile well since taking over for Pio’s. I appreciate Fred’s professionalism always.


As always, it is an honor to represent you as your State Representative. 



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BY KAREN WARFEL  
City of Fort Lauderdale  
Transportation Planning Program Manager

# TRANSPORTATION UNSUNG HEROES

MEET MITXI SANCHEZ IN TRANSPORTATION AND MOBILITY

We often highlight large projects here, but there are so many small projects that happen every day to improve the quality of life for our neighbors related to transportation. These projects are often not noticed by those traveling through, but so important to those who live there. And even for those who do notice, how the changes happened are likely a mystery.

The people behind the scenes that make these things happen are true unsung heroes. Not only the facilities and maintenance teams that we could not do what we do without, but especially the staff who make sure the things

that need to get done get to the correct people, get done, and make sure the neighbors who asked are informed of the process and when it is completed.

In Transportation and Mobility, Mitxi Sanchez is the staff member who facilitates those concerns. Mitxi is a passionate and dedicated city employee who works every day to make the city a better place by facilitating transportation-related improvements. She lives by the mantra of “If not me then who” fielding hundreds of different inquiries each week that include coordinating with many different people across the City, County, and State. Last year alone, Mitxi has received, routed, and closed more than 1,400 neighbor requests with many others still in the process.

Her amazing knowledge of the network of people to help address each concern and the positive relationships that she has built has made her a tremendous asset to the city which can be attested to by anyone who has had the pleasure of working with her as a resident or colleague.

The department receives many requests that come through a variety of different avenues which are all managed by Mitxi. This requires a great ability to keep track of hundreds of requests at any time and where in the process every one of them is.

A major way the city receives concerns is through the Lauderserve system that can be found as an app in the App Stores for your device or at [www.fortlauderdale.gov/lauderserv](http://www.fortlauderdale.gov/lauderserv). Many different items can be forwarded through this system, including transportation items like signs down, traffic calming needed, pavement marking refreshing needed, or updates on projects.

But unknown to most who use the system is the process inside the black box where those requests are received, sent to the appropriate department representatives who then forward to the appropriate person to address, and the follow up with the requestor to make sure they are aware it has been received and what the next steps will be.

Some of the small projects may not seem important by themselves but make a tremendous impact to the quality of life of residents making sure our streets are safer ... each sign and pavement marking block by block. Mitxi is my unsung hero because of her passion for helping people and caring for each and every resident’s concerns and making sure that they are communicated with so that they understand that they are heard and their concerns will be addressed.



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BY PHILLIP DUNLAP  
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# ARTS WORKERS

UNSUNG HEROES WHO CONTRIBUTE TO FORT LAUDERDALE'S CREATIVE ECONOMY

As this issue's focus is on the unsung workers who keep our area going, I'd like to highlight some of the workers who help keep our arts and cultural scene vibrant. While we all clearly benefit from the artistic output our cultural institutions provide through their programming, exhibitions, events, and educational opportunities, we don't always think about the enormous amount of work that goes into making those artistic productions happen, and the number of jobs those organizations support.

We know from the most recent Arts and Economic Prosperity Study that Broward County's nonprofit arts and culture sector supports more than 11,000 full-time jobs. The types of jobs represented in that number encompass a wide range – from artists, filmmakers, musicians and dancers – to stagehands, marketing professionals, executive directors, accountants, fundraising professionals, security personnel, sound engineers, education and community programs staff, and many more.

Although they have a vital role in our creative economy, their names may not always be known. It is in this spirit that we highlight some of the arts workers who are doing great things in our community:

## Frank Polanco



Frank is a multi-talented artist who relocated to Northeast 13th Street in Fort Lauderdale in 2016, eventually starting Art 13, a part of his larger non-profit, South Florida Lending Hands. Art 13 produces a monthly art-walk event in the City's Central Northeast 13th Street neighborhood. For more information, [www.artthirteen.com](http://www.artthirteen.com)

## Maxence Doytier



Maxence is the creative force and catalyst for many recent art activations in Fort Lauderdale. As the creative director of Twenty6North

Productions, his impact reaches projects like the large murals that can be seen at Virginia Shuman Young Elementary School and the new AOTA (Avenue of the Arts) Visual Arts Festival, which premiered during last month's Fort Lauderdale Art & Design Week. For more information, [www.twenty6North.com/AOTA](http://www.twenty6North.com/AOTA)

## Evan Snow and Andrew Martineau



Founders of Choose 954, Evan and Andrew are creative entrepreneurs, arts advocates, and community builders who

cultivate culture and community in Broward County. If you haven't yet met them, which is hard to imagine because they are everywhere, you are likely familiar with their myriad arts and culture initiatives that include Fort Lauderdale Art & Design Week, Art Fort Lauderdale, and Zero Empty Spaces. For more information, [www.choose954.com](http://www.choose954.com)

## Clare Vickery



With Clare at its helm, Grace Arts Center focuses on creating cultural collaborations and revitalization of South Florida communities

through arts and humanities. Evolving from its early beginnings as a retail art gallery, studio, and coffee bar, Grace Arts Center now takes art beyond the gallery walls with exciting initiatives such as the recent Street Art Regatta, which featured functional, artist-painted sails, mounted on sailboats that were showcased in a carefully choreographed exhibition on the Intracoastal Waterway. For more information, [www.graceartscenter.org](http://www.graceartscenter.org)

As always, you can learn more about the good work being done in our arts community at [ArtsCalendar.com](http://ArtsCalendar.com).



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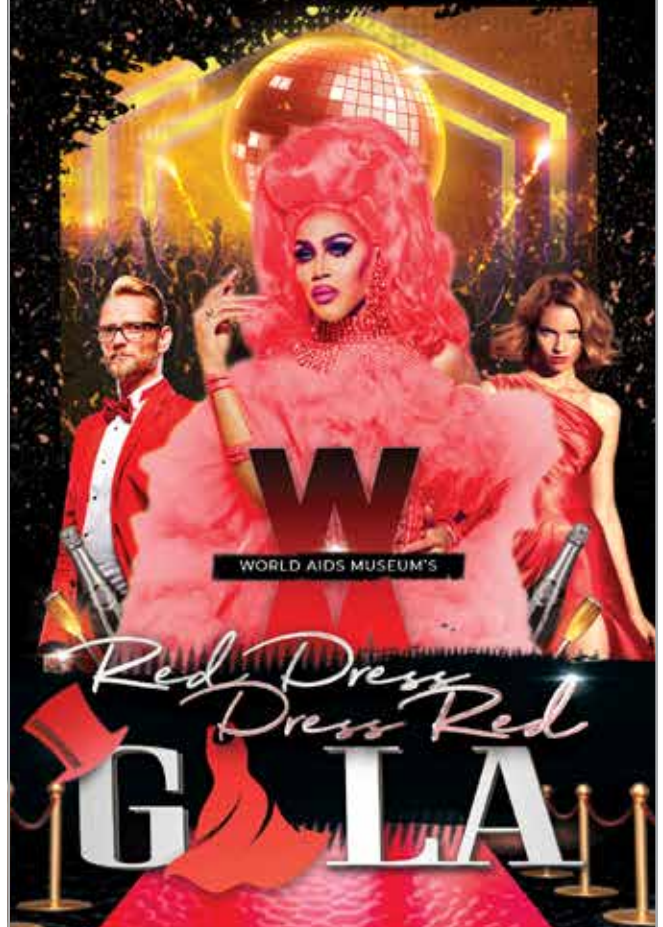
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# COUNTRY CLOTHING FOR ALL

HILLBILLY BRAND BRINGS OUT THE COUNTRY IN ALL OF US

For the longest time, there wasn't much in the way of brands built with lovers of the country lifestyle in mind. That was until the HillBilly Brand came along. Friends and owners of HillBilly Brand, Michael Abbaticchio and Shon Lees grew up together in the Plantation area and always enjoyed spending time outdoors together and listening to country music.

So, when Abbaticchio brought up the idea of creating a country centric brand on a ski trip together, Lees was immediately on board.

"There was really no country brand out there other than John Deere and don't get me wrong John Deere is great but it's really a farming brand. So, we thought it was about time there was something that really kind of encompassed the whole umbrella of outdoor living and the country lifestyle," said Lees.

Following their trip, they designed a logo, trademarked the name, and brought their first batch of T-shirts to the Davie Rodeo hoping for the best — only

to be blown away by the positive response.

"We sold everything in four hours and at every event we went to after that, it happened again and again," he said.

With all their continued success, they decided to take their business model onto the popular ABC show, Shark Tank. Unfortunately, even though they couldn't come to a deal with the sharks, they took everything they learned from the experience and the advice they received to create what is now a booming business.


Today, HillyBilly Brand offers a little something for every country music fan, diehard NASCAR aficionado, and everyone in between.

Since starting their business back in 2000, they have gone on to not only create a HillBilly clothing brand that offers a variety of shirts, hats and accessories for both men and women, but they have also since expanded to offer their own HillyBilly beverages which includes lemonade, iced tea, and an award-winning whiskey.

"When it came to expanding to beverages, it all came about because we were lucky enough to get the right partners involved and the connections to help us do it right and that's led to us having one of the best lemonades and ice teas out there on the market as well as a bourbon that won double gold at the San Francisco World Spirits Competition," said Lees.

In fact, their bourbon is making a big post-Covid comeback with a nationwide relaunch this February, going on sale in stores in all 50 states.

Yet, even with the relaunch of their bourbon coming soon, they have no plans to expand the brand further in the future.

"It's a fun brand and we've enjoyed building the brand over the years. We would have never even got this far if we didn't enjoy doing what we've gotten to do with it. So, I think that's why we want to continue to focus on what we do best with apparel and now, beverages. Our customers love what we do and we're going to keep offering them what they love most," he said. 



## HILLBILLY BRAND

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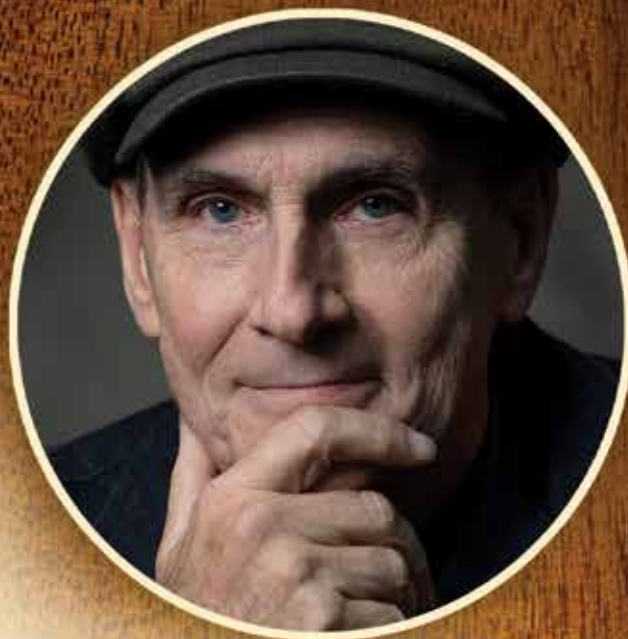
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## ECONOMIC OUTLOOK

GROWING A STRONG ECONOMY

In this issue we will review what will happen in the 2023 economy, who to watch and make some predictions.

Unemployment is basically full employment at 2.5 percent for Broward County with 42,012 new jobs created year over year as of this writing. This creates some challenges as we have to create 106,108 net new jobs by 2030. We have roughly 27,000 looking for work and roughly 42,000 job openings. Nationally, there are 4.45 million more job openings than unemployed workers.

Employers have been increasing wages to stem the flight of top talent. The question is will it be enough? Wage growth in general has been ebbing to 4.6 percent from a high of eight percent in 2020. The Consumer Price Index has shown signs of retreating down to 7.1 percent in November.

Recent job numbers beat predictions in December with 223,000 jobs added on a seasonally adjusted basis.

The Fed has been trying to cool down a hot economy and arrive at a “soft landing.” What has been bucking the trend is unemployment, which has remained steady or decreased. Whether we are in a recession will not be known for some time.

Compounding factors like inflation, home and gas prices, interest rates, and a myriad of others are pinching consumers, however, retail figures have been solid.

Employers I talked to are not looking to lay off talent. Quite the opposite. They are doing everything they can to support their employees and treat them with everything from more flexible working environments to wage increase to day care on site.


We see the greatest job growth in the following professions: education, medical and health services, computer and information research, life and social sciences, healthcare support occupations, and healthcare practitioners (think nurses and physician assistants).

What we need to control is to provide the best place to live, work and raise a family. This includes: attainable housing, improved education opportunity, transportation alternatives, green space, cultural arts options and a host of other amenities.

Look for Huizenga Park to be revamped into a multi-dimensional asset that will transform that space into several different experiences within one footprint. Look for the reimagined space to begin construction in late spring. There will be a restaurant and plenty of options for all to experience.

We continue to work on solutions for an inter-city rail connector that will run from Miami-Dade to North Broward. The so-call coastal link will terminate near Broward Health Medical Center on Andrews until we reach agreement on a solution to cross the New River. Look for that agreement this year to move us into the appropriations process.

Lastly, we have made great strides to address a resilient future in the wake of rising seas and stronger weather events. Adapting to our changing environment is key to protecting our economy and our future as residents.

There is no silver bullet to grow one of the strongest economies. It requires all of us to roll up our sleeves and be part of a legacy of which we can be proud. 







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## BEHIND THE SCENES

USCG FORT LAUDERDALE STATION GETS THE JOB DONE

Some heroes are easy to spot – they’re visible in our everyday lives at hospitals, crimes scenes, fires, and soup kitchens. Other heroes work tirelessly behind the scenes to get the job done without most of us ever seeing them. An example is Coast Guard Station Fort Lauderdale that quite literally saves boaters just about every day.

There are nine districts in the Coast Guard system which break out into 37 sectors, including Station Fort Lauderdale. Technically based in Dania Beach just above the Dr. Von D. Mizell-Eula Johnson State Park, the station reports into the Seventh District in Miami. They have a colorful history including being responsible for the Coast Guard’s one-and-only hanging that occurred on Aug. 17, 1929, when personnel from Station Fort Lauderdale (then known as Coast Guard Base Six) were killed in the line of duty as they boarded a rumrunner during the Prohibition. James Horace Alderman killed three members of the Coast Guard boarding party. Two years later, he was convicted of murder and piracy and hanged at Base Six.

The original Fort Lauderdale site was approximately 14 acres and was created in 1875. The first keeper was Washington Jenkins, who served from 1876 until 1883. Originally, the station was tasked with “affording succor to shipwrecked persons who may be cast ashore” and the

station keepers and their families were required to walk the beaches and search for castaways after a storm. That’s quite the job description.

The actual base was established in accordance with Coast Guard Headquarters Letter of June 1924 and was staffed by 33 men from the Coast Guard Cutter Yamacraw in September 1924 under commanding officer C.G. Porcher. The rest, as they say, is history.

Your life is somehow touched by the Coast Guard even if you’re not a boater. Although officially tasked with maritime operations, law, response, transportation management, security and defense, stations like Fort Lauderdale have a long list of other duties that go well beyond their charter. Sure, they monitor the waterways 24/7/365, but they also mobilize hurricane relief in Florida and take control of local bridge operations in case of emergency – the bridges you use every day.

They visit schools to work with students, provide security during the Fort Lauderdale International Boat Show, and help organizations like the Wounded Warrior Project with charity runs and sponsorships. The station maintains aids to navigation (with the motto “Keeping it Lit”), they lead the Winterfest Boat Parade, and they even rescue dogs that may have fallen overboard. In true Coast Guard fashion, they’re “semper paratus” (always ready).

These dedicated men and women work on behalf of all of Fort Lauderdale and yet, most of us are unaware of their good (and essential) deeds. Just a look at their Facebook page says it all – there’s a phone number which is manned by a real person willing to help and their hours are listed as “always open.” There’s comfort in that.

You may not see them every day, but USCG Station Fort Lauderdale personnel are ever present. The next time you’re on or near the water, think about what it takes to make Fort Lauderdale work as a whole and give thanks for Station Fort Lauderdale. They’re an intricate part of our community and they may just save you someday too.

### Tribute dinner

The Seventh Coast Guard District holds a fundraising event annually for the Coast Guard Foundation which provides support for families of the men and women who serve. This year the tribute dinner will be held on April 28 at the Marriott Harbor Beach Resort and there are numerous ways to participate, including sponsorships and the purchase of individual tickets. Contact Becky Ketterhagen at (860) 457-1413 or email [bketterhagen@coastguardfoundation.org](mailto:bketterhagen@coastguardfoundation.org) for more information.





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UPDATES FOR BROWARD COUNTY PROPERTY OWNERS

### Exemption Amount Increase for Widows, Widowers, Blind Persons and Persons Totally and Permanently Disabled

Thousands of Broward County property owners qualify for these exemptions. Under previous law, these exemptions deducted only \$500 from the property's assessed value which equates to an annual savings of only \$10 in property taxes. Representative Michael Gottlieb and Senator Ana Maria Rodriguez secured language in the 2022 legislative session which increased this exemption amount to \$5,000 for an increased tax savings of approximately \$100 beginning in 2023.

### Automatic Senior Exemption Renewals for 2023

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Our office will mail the Senior Exemption renewal information this month with the annual income limitation set by the state of Florida.

If your 2022 adjusted household gross income does not exceed the income limitation, you DO NOT need to do anything to continue receiving this valuable exemption for 2023. Your exemption will automatically be renewed provided you are still living at the same address and receiving Homestead Exemption.

If your 2022 adjusted household gross income did exceed the income limitation, you must notify our office that you no longer qualify for this tax year when you receive the annual income notification from our office. We understand the adjusted household gross income for some individuals may change from year to year so an applicant may qualify one year and then not the next.

If you did not receive the Senior Exemption for 2022 and you believe you may qualify, please visit our website at [web.bcpa.net](http://web.bcpa.net) and click on the "Senior Exemption" icon to view this exemption. You can also apply online at <https://web.bcpa.net/bcpaclient/#/SeniorsAppForm>. The absolute deadline to apply for any 2023 exemption is Sept. 18, 2023.


If my office can ever be of assistance to you, please call us at (954) 357-6830 or email me directly at [martykiar@bcpa.net](mailto:martykiar@bcpa.net). 



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# FORT LAUDERDALE'S UNSUNG HEROES

THE JOBS THAT OFTEN GO UNNOTICED AND THOSE WHO DO THEM

WRITER MADELAINE K. BOYER

It's often said that the most difficult things in life take a village to accomplish. The same can be said for the city of Fort Lauderdale. However, some of the most important and necessary jobs done to keep the city running smoothly are often overlooked – that is until now. From maintenance and security to even landscaping, these are just a few of Fort Lauderdale's unsung heroes deserving some much-needed recognition.

## John Bradshaw City Hall Security

City Hall is and always has been one of the more secure government buildings in Fort Lauderdale. However, much of that peace of mind is thanks to those working in security like part-time security guard, John Bradshaw.

Bradshaw has been working in security for most of his life but first got into the field right after college.

"A friend of mine owned a bar and, since I'm a big guy, he asked me to work there as a bouncer. Then from there, I started working at a bar called Bermuda Triangle in Fort Lauderdale Beach and those were some of my first jobs in security," he said.

After working in security for some time, he happened to hear about a security position that had opened up at City Hall. Bradshaw, who also happens to be a part-time park ranger, heard about the position from a fellow ranger.

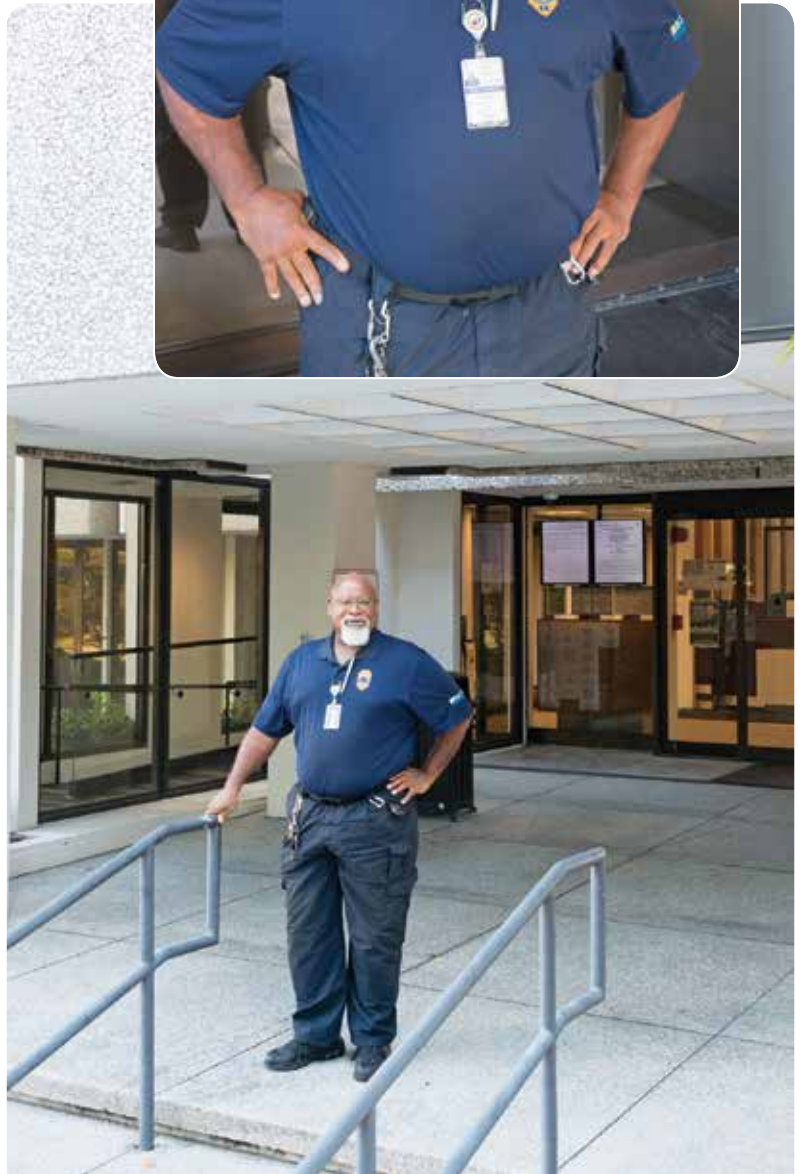
"He told me about the job here at City Hall. So, I filled out the application and a couple of months later, I got a call to come in for an interview," he said. With that, Bradshaw has been working security part time for City Hall ever since.

Even though a large part of his job is ensuring those working in and visiting City Hall feel safe, his favorite element of the job is its social aspect and adding a little bit of sunshine to people's day.

"One part of what I do is greeting people when they come in and directing them to where they're going but I think it's also one of the more important parts of my job here. It doesn't matter if you're the mayor or a homeless person coming in to use the restroom, I greet everyone with a smile and a hello and make everybody feel welcome," he said.



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**Anthony Byrd**  
**City Hall Maintenance**

There's nothing worse than being late due to a faulty elevator or having to go upstairs because the ground floor bathroom is out of order.

For anyone spending time at City Hall in Fort Lauderdale, they have maintenance professionals like Anthony Byrd to thank for keeping those things we use almost every day, and for the most part take for granted, in working order.

Byrd has been the sole person in charge of maintenance at City Hall for a while now. But before that, he was previously in charge of outdoor upkeep until he was promoted to handling maintenance for the entire building

“I was primarily in charge of handling tasks like cutting the grass outside, picking up trash, trimming trees, and things of that nature. However, after some time I got into doing maintenance for the building as a promotional position,” he said.

Since then, Byrd has been the go-to man for fixing issues that arise involving electrical, plumbing, and hardware as well as handling the janitorial duties of the building.

“An important part of my job is really just maintaining the integrity of City Hall itself,” he said.

His job is much more than that and without him, problems like a broken ceiling tile or a leak that may seem small to some are things that could soon become catastrophic.

“Most people wouldn't notice that there's something wrong or out of place but because I'm here all the time I catch those little things. Where someone might see a wet ceiling tile and think it's just condensation, I see that the auxiliary drain pan might be clogged, and I should take it out before the ceiling tile collapses. So, a lot of my work is fixing things before they ever become a problem,” he said.



**Insaaf Latiff**  
**City of Fort Lauderdale Landscaping**

Fort Lauderdale is known for many things but one aspect of this gorgeous city we often take for granted is the immaculate landscaping that can be seen throughout the area. From the sun impatiens framing the signs at Esplanade, Peter Feldman and Victoria Parks to the coonties palms on Andrews Avenue by City Hall, landscaper Insaaf Latiff has done it all.

“Our role is to make the city beautiful. We live in an already beautiful city, but our job is to make it even more beautiful. My goal is always to create safe, accessible, and enjoyable spaces for all,” he said.

Latiff began his more than 20-year career in landscaping at the City of Fort Lauderdale Parks department working in landscape and athletic field maintenance. His work included designing and installing butterfly gardens as well as building baseball fields from the ground up.

Since then, he has gone on to become the parks supervisor for District 6 and along with his talented and hardworking crew, they can often be seen adding new colorful plants and flowers to the parks and maintaining the landscaped areas around the City.

“Our work never stops because it’s not just about putting in new plants, flowers, and foliage but it’s also about maintaining everything. So, we work hard to make sure everything stays looking fresh and beautiful year-round,” said Latiff.

Yet, when he and his crews’ hard work is all said and done, he hopes people will take a moment out of their day to appreciate their hard work beautifying the city. “I wish that people would appreciate our work that we have done around the City of Fort Lauderdale and enjoy the beauty of our City,” he said. 🌳







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WRITER RENÉE K. QUINN

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**MARCH 9**

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