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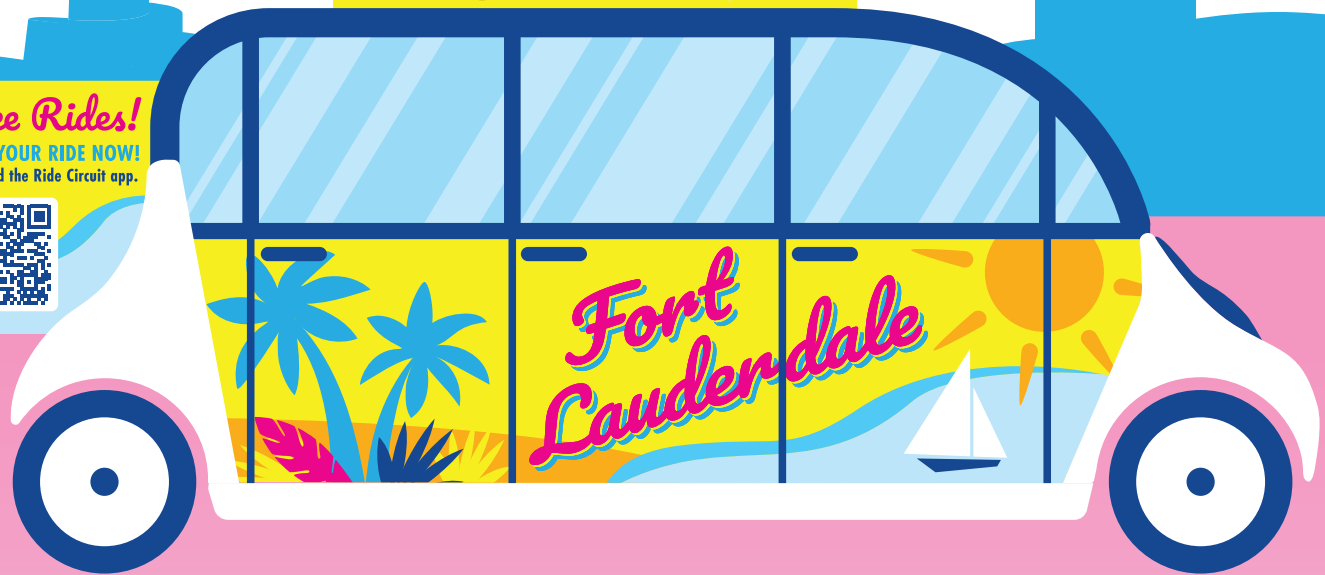
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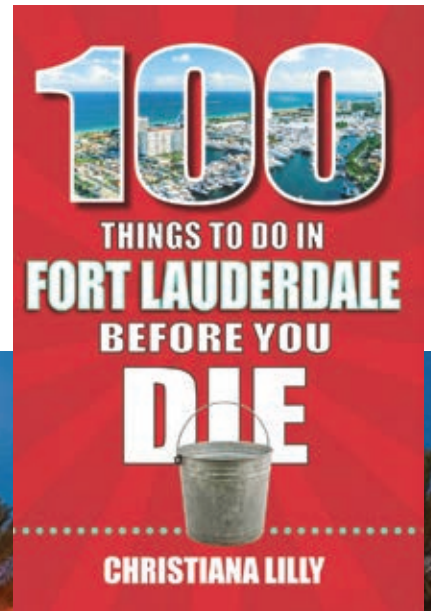
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UNDER CONTRACT BRADFORD
2 BEDROOM 2 BATH

Custom designed Residence with sophisticated luxury in mind, one of the best views in Fort Lauderdale. Boasting polished marble floors, custom lighting, doors and hardware motorized window treatments, Poggenpohl kitchen cabinetry, quartz wrap around countertops & backsplash, premium stainless-steel appliances, illuminated bookcases, custom built ins & soffit lighting.

JUST SOLD! CHAMPAGNE
2 BEDROOM + DEN 2.5 BATH

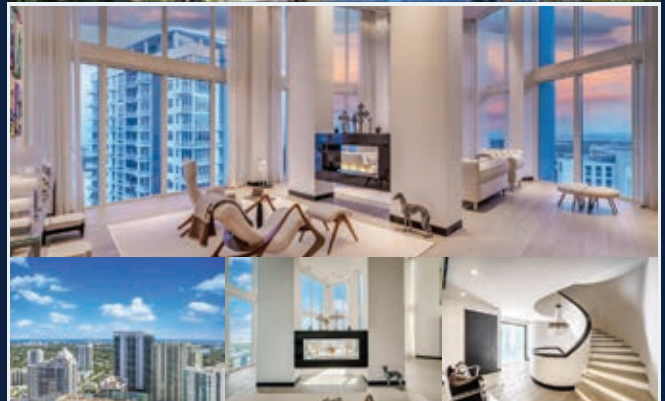
Panoramic ocean, city & river views from every room in this high floor residence. This is a flow through unit with east & west exposures offering the best of both worlds, sunrise over the water & sunsets over the city. Gourmet kitchen with an array of high-end appliances.

JUST SOLD! 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. 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! BRADFORD
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, an array of high end appliances & ample cabinetry.



PENTHOUSE | \$5,995,000
5 BEDROOM 6.5 BATH

The crown atop the landmark luxury glass tower of Las Olas. Over 8,300 sq. ft. of pristine interior space, 5 bedrooms, 5.5 baths, office, private gym, & media lounge, all spread over 3 floors, with endless amounts of linear feet of glass offering 270 degree views over all of Fort Lauderdale. This Penthouse is the epitome of ultra urban luxury featuring a collection of high-end fixtures & finishes, ceiling heights soaring over 25ft, climate controlled wine wall, & a well designed floor plan separating entertaining space from private living areas. A private pool side cabana with full bath is included in the sale.

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.

JUST LISTED COLUMBUS | \$1,395,000
2 BEDROOM + DEN 3 BATH

25th floor river facing Columbus flow thru floor plan in the Las Olas Riverhouse. Over 2,400 square feet featuring numerous upgrades throughout private elevator foyer double door entry, floor to ceiling glass & 2 terraces.

UNDER CONTRACT LEXINGTON
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.

UNDER CONTRACT LEXINGTON
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.



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JUST LISTED MOONGLOW | \$999,000

Spectacular high floor 2 bedroom 2 bathroom southeast corner! Spacious split bedroom floor plan featuring impact windows, a large balcony with outstanding views of the river, city and ocean. Rarely available, a must see.

JUST LISTED RIVERSIDE | \$899,000

2 bedroom 2 bathroom plus den! A split bedroom floor plan, featuring 10 foot ceilings, tile floors, a large terrace with access from both bedrooms, floor to ceiling impact windows and washer and dryer in the unit.

JUST SOLD! SEAVIEW

Gorgeous 3 bedroom 2 bath completely remodel SE corner, most desirable "04" stack with direct river & ocean views, designer finishes include 24x48 Italian porcelain tile, large eat in kitchen, quartz countertops, new stainless appliances, full tile back splash and custom lighting.

NEWLY PRICED! SEAVIEW | \$859,000

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, 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, 2 story gym & 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.



NUR RIVER
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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, washer and dryer 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.

JUST SOLD! 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.



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 LAS OLAS PLACE

JUST LISTED 2 BEDROOM 2 BATH | \$629,900

This immaculate 2 bed 2 bath is the largest 2 bedroom floorplan in the entire building at 1,346 sq. ft. 11th floor unit with eastern and sunrise views. 350 Las Olas Place is a boutique condo consisting of 163 units and is centrally located in the heart of Downtown Fort Lauderdale.



BY RICHARD RODRIGUEZ
Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale Chair



CELEBRATE THE RIVERWALK

HONORING THE DEDICATED MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY WHO FOSTER THIS GEM

Riverwalk is most happy to be celebrating 35 years of serving Fort Lauderdale and 20 years of producing GoRiverwalk Magazine, a valuable tool for communication. With the dedicated staff and hard-working board of directors, we continue to be the custodians of the Riverwalk District assisting in assuring viable green and park space in the Downtown.

Merriam Webster Dictionary defines hospitality as “generous and friendly treatment of visitors and guest or hospitable treatment.” The hospitality industry is a multibillion-dollar industry that depends on the availability of leisure time, disposable income and complete customer satisfaction. It is divided into four segments: food and beverage, travel and tourism, lodging, and recreation.

Activation is the key with events offered nearly every weekend and passive times always available. Take a minute to appreciate the public lands that our city has to offer. Executive Editor Lynn Peithman Stock and Publisher Mark Budwig continue to assure that Go Riverwalk provide great stories about our community, businesses, events and more.

We are in the midst of food and wine season and what better place to be than Fort Lauderdale. Great restaurants, bars and food court options let us have a grand pick of what appeals. Make a point to support our local businesses — #localbusiness — and share your reviews. With so many new places opening, information

is key to having the chance to try something different. Post to our pages with your comments and suggestions and we are always happy to spread that information further. We are a year-round part of the world and outdoor dining is a staple. Locations continue to pop up that offer both indoor and out-door options and gourmet foods and drinks.

We are most proud of our President/CEO Genia Duncan Ellis for her commitment not only to Riverwalk but our community and Fort Lauderdale. The Greater Fort Lauderdale Chamber of Commerce has singled her out to be the Downtowner of the Year following an impressive list of former honorees. Be sure to take a minute to congratulate her. We are fortunate to have her leading our charge.

Keep an eye out for the very cool upcoming events hosted by Riverwalk. If you missed the Riverwalk International Food Festival (RIFF), be sure to come to Smoke on the Water on April 22, or Rhythm and Brews on May 6, partnered with Funky Buddha. Also, keep May 19 open for the Chocolate and Whiskey Tasting. These are only a few of the things to come.

We hope that you will join us in for our 23rd Annual Riverwalk Tribute honoring Nectaria Chakas and Robert Lochrie of Lochrie and Chakas, Keith Costello of Locality Bank, Bob Swindell of Greater Fort Lauderdale Alliance, and Renée K. Quinn of QuinnProQuo. Each of these individuals have been long-standing supporters of Riverwalk and our Downtown community and it is our opportunity to say thank you. The event will be held at the Riverside Hotel on Thursday, May 4. Contact events@goriverwalk.com for further information or to purchase sponsorships or tickets.

UPCOMING RIVERWALK EVENTS

SMOKE ON THE WATER

April 22 | Esplanade Park

23RD ANNUAL RIVERWALK TRIBUTE

May 4 | Riverside Hotel

RHYTHM AND BREWS

May 6 | Esplanade Park

CHOCOLATE AND WHISKEY TASTING

May 19 | Fort Lauderdale Woman's Club

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FOOD AS AN ART FORM

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Sustenance, when referring to food, is the nourishment each of us needs to live and grow. Food is that substance and comes in many forms. Cooks and chefs spend hours each day creating foods to please the eye, the taste buds and to provide the sustenance needed to thrive. Eating is a necessity and a form of social engagement and entertainment. Delivery of food has become nearly as important as the food itself. Display and presentation play equally in the tastings. Varieties of cooking a food allows a number of ways to be creative. There are approximately 15 basic cooking methods that any cook/chef should know:

- Grilling
- Steaming
- Searing
- Boiling
- Saut eant
- Poaching
- Broiling
- Baking
- Roasting
- Blanching
- Stewing
- Deep-frying
- Braising
- Shallow-frying
- Barbecue

Each requires a certain pot, pan or dish and ancillary tools like coal, wood, flames, ovens, stove tops and more.

Fort Lauderdale is blessed with an incredible number of fine restaurants for dining that deliver a wide range of food and ethnic styles designed to tempt your tastebuds. There are many private chefs for hire who will create an experience for you and your family/guests, or you can make your own!

I am a baker and love the process of making pies, cakes, cookies, and a large array of other sweet treats. Fort Lauderdale is fortunate to have a creative and unique group of bakeries, cafes and the like that conjure up these sweet and savory treats – including gourmet ice cream and doughnuts.

One of the new fads is a progressive evening that starts with appetizers at one location, salads at a second location and then proceeds to other locations for the main course or a tapas-style tasting, followed by a dessert location, and topped off with a tasteful drink to end the evening. Another dining experience is dinners that allow the diner to try delicious food paired with specialty wines and spirits.

Food and dining is a necessary part of life, but has become an art form that gives you delicious food and drinks, artfully delivered with a social mixture of family and friends to make the experience more enjoyable.

As we move into summer, Go Riverwalk will be doing some local surveys to get fan favorites of our foods and local restaurants to introduce you to some options that you may not know about. Send us your favorites and we are always happy to try them out!



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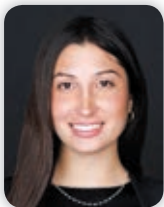


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With a passion to help my clients protect their assets, my unique background allows me to use a variety of tools including financial planning, investing and insurance services to accomplish this goal. I have a bachelor's of arts degree in psychology from the University of Virginia and an MBA from the Robins School of Business at the University of Richmond. In the course of receiving these degrees, I studied abroad so I understand foreign markets in addition to our own.

During the early part of my career, I worked as a wholesaler educating agents about a variety of fixed and indexed annuities as well as asset-based long-term care options available to their clients. This experience allows me to better serve my clients and choose the options that are best for their individual needs. These clients tend to be over 40 or recent retirees who are usually looking to maximize their 401(k) plans.

So what brought me to Florida? Like many others, I vacationed here and always loved the area. I initially moved to the Tampa area, but I found I was spending a lot of time in Fort Lauderdale so I officially moved here in 2021. I enjoy the fact that there is always something to do, so you will frequently find me at local events. I'm also a big college sports fan and a huge car buff. Since I'm fairly new to the area, I wanted to get involved in the community which is why I joined Riverwalk.



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Born in Venezuela, I moved to South Florida in 2002, where I grew up with my parents and two siblings. I joined Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale this year because I wanted to fully integrate myself into all the activities that people were experiencing, while expanded my networking opportunities as well.

Initially, my career started at the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society of South Florida, where I developed a passion for making a tangible impact in my community and for helping others make a difference through donor giving, volunteerism and advocacy. In 2020, I pursued my master's of science degree in global public health from New York University, where I conducted intensive research on underserved populations and how gaps in services can be overcome. This led me to explore work in both non-profit community organizations and for-profit healthcare startups.

Outside of work, I enjoy all things food! Some of my favorite activities are when I get to cook a new dish at home or try a new popup restaurant in Wynwood, where I live now.

What I really love to do is make a difference in the world — even if it's only one person at a time! Lucky enough for me, I get to experience this passion every day through my career at United Way of Broward County.

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RIVERWALK CHILI COOK-OFF

The 7th Annual Rverwalk Chili Cook-Off brought out amateur and professional chefs to compete for the title and a trip to the National Chili Cook-Off in September.



Crush Team with Jason and Courtney Crush, Blaise McGinley and Mike Weymouth



Ed Murphy stirs it up at the Riverwalk Water and Fire Tent



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Fire team stirs their chili.



Chili Bar with Ed Stroebel, Jeff Marchuk, Jim Farrick, Michael Johnston, Justin Freedman and Logan Crewss



Best Decorated Tent winners: The Art of Chili Team Brianna Reeves, Jodi Tanner and Erika Del Rio



Games in the Park



Sketch artist Robert Korhonen



Luke Morgan and Georgia Pig Team.



RIVERWALK CELEBRATION

The board and staff of Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale celebrated Riverwalk’s 35 years of service to the City and the community and 20 years of GoRiverwalk Magazine’s publication. The event was held Feb. 27 at the Boathouse at Riverside Hotel.



James Ferriero and Andrew Britton



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WINE AND DINE PROSPECTS TO TRY IN FORT LAUDERDALE

Over the last couple months, we've had a lot of exciting things happening in Fort Lauderdale. We opened the renovated aquatic center with its iconic dive tower and broke ground on the reimagining of D.C. Alexander Park. The City also moved forward with construction of a new water treatment plant that will ensure clean, clear drinking water for generations to come.

We are in the midst of a dynamic evolution of our City in which we are witnessing an increasing cosmopolitan flair take shape. This month's issue of Go Riverwalk focuses on food and wine. The changes occurring in this segment of the economy are truly stunning as a wider variety of restaurants open and we attract restaurateurs and chefs of national and international stature.

Visit Lauderdale markets our foodie experience to people from around the world, just as they promote our beaches, fabulous weather and vibrant nightlife. As the agency says on its website, our beach hotels feature everything from world-class steakhouses to swanky Japanese eateries and our Downtown is dotted with European-style cafes and coffee shops, wine and craft beer bars and music-enlivened rooftop restaurants.

We have numerous new and interesting dining options for both locals and tourists to explore. There are far too many to list, but just consider these.

The Main Las Olas office and residential building at Las Olas Boulevard and Northeast Third Avenue features two international cuisine options. Fogo de Chao, a Brazilian

steakhouse that has operations globally from Brazil to the Middle East, opened there last year. Recently, it was joined by Moxies, a premium casual Canadian concept that has more than 70 other locations across Canada and the United States.

Nearby, a new restaurant is part of an agreement to upgrade Huizenga Plaza. The City is partnering with the Downtown Development Authority on the plaza upgrade with new terraces, walkways, civic lawn, river overlook and public restrooms. The new riverside restaurant will be operated by the Rusty Pelican. The Rusty Pelican is a chic waterfront eatery on Key Biscayne that has other unique waterfront restaurants around the country.

There are new cutting-edge food options in Flagler Village. Mister O1 Extraordinary Pizza has opened. It's an offshoot of Chef Renato Viola's place in Miami Beach that serves up elaborate and innovative pizzas. Next door is Santiago's Bodega. It styles itself as a polished, casual tapas bar much like its original location in Key West.

The Katherine on Broward Boulevard is the vision of James Beard semifinalist Timon Balloo and offers dinners infused with the cuisine of his Chinese, Indian and Trinidadian roots. The seafood-driven menu at Rivertail is curated by five-time James Beard Award-nominated chef José Mendin.

At the same time, some of our longtime establishments like YOLO have undergone major makeovers and others like Truluck's have returned to new locations.

And then there are all the great culinary events we have.

Las Olas Riverwalk and our Downtown parks are home to everything from the Sunday Jazz Brunch to the Annual Chili Cook-off. Nearby in Flagler Village, there is the monthly Food in Motion event with a wide variety of food trucks to choose from. And, over in the North Beach shopping area, we have the Dining in the Streets event. The Visit Lauderdale Food & Wine Festival and Seaglass: The Fort Lauderdale Rose Experience have been huge hits.

I urge everyone to take a moment and experience all that Fort Lauderdale has to offer. Whether you are looking for a lobster bar, craft beer gastropubs or an Asian-fusion eatery, Fort Lauderdale offers something for everyone. Our variety and depth of cuisine is unparalleled.

And please remember: In the summer, throughout August and September, you can eat your way around some of the best restaurants in Greater Fort Lauderdale during Dine Out Lauderdale, when eateries offer prix-fixe, three-course menus for very reasonable prices.

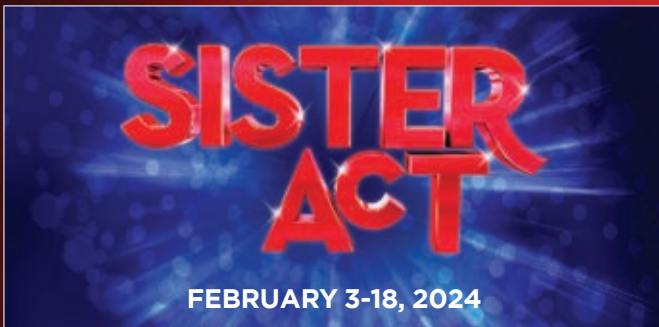


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BY KAREN WARFEL
City of Fort Lauderdale
Transportation Planning Program Manager

AN EASY EXPLORATION

TRANSPORTATION OPTIONS MAKE IT EASY TO MOVE AROUND TOWN

I recently had an amazing Sunday with guests visiting from out of town enjoying events Downtown and along the Riverwalk. I showed them some of the amazing reasons why we love living here. What made it an even more enjoyable experience was taking advantage of the free transit options provided by the City to travel between the events.

We started with the Sunday Jazz Brunch and enjoyed the amazing music and all that was happening there and when we were ready to move on, hopped on the LauderGo! Water Trolley offered for free through funding by the City between Esplanade Park and Laura Ward Park. Along the way, we enjoyed the view of the City from the water to our next destination.

And after enjoying the beautiful artwork at the Las Olas Art Fair and walking through the amazing shops on Las Olas Boulevard we were able to order a free Circuit through their app, available again through funding provided by the City Commission through the Micro Mover Pilot Program.

The Micro Mover Pilot Program was developed by the Transportation and Mobility Department to respond to the Commission priority to provide innovative and sustainable solutions to mitigate traffic congestion issues. The pilot program was established to provide an on-demand service for the Downtown and fixed-route service on the Beach connecting to parking facilities using Circuit as the City's provider.

Last summer, the City implemented a six-month pilot

and while the pilot was scheduled to end in January, the City Commission approved funding to extend the pilot through the end of September due to its success. The service offered Downtown is provided in partnership with Brightline and Circuit through advertising revenue to be able to provide the full range of service times.

The ridership continues to grow with the most recent data, showing that nearly 15,000 riders were carried in just one month and that the peak ridership times include lunch and evening commute/dinner. The highest volume drop-off locations are at the Brightline station and the Beach at Las Olas Boulevard, which shows how important this service is to moving people between downtown and the Beach and to other transit options.

Due to the significant demand, there have been some challenges with wait times during peak periods. Currently, Circuit is in the process of completing additional analysis to better understand ridership patterns to reduce wait times and analyze the system performance moving forward. They will be infusing additional vehicles to understand the balance needed for the best performance during different conditions.

Additionally, on March 13, the service in Downtown was expanded to the west to include most of the Dorsey Riverbend neighborhood, including the L.A. Lee YMCA/Mizell Community Center and the City's Development Services Department. On-demand service will improve mobility in this area and overall connectivity to other areas of the City.

The Circuit micro transit service is available Downtown daily from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.


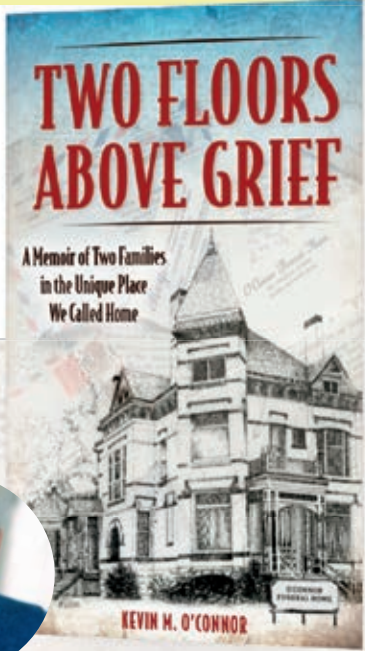
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JAZZ APPRECIATION MONTH

EVENT KICKS OFF WITH FREE JAZZ IN SISTRUNK

Many of you may not know, but my background and area of study in college was jazz piano. Prior to moving to Broward County, I worked for a jazz arts non-profit organization in St. Louis, where I played jazz within the community (and around the world), and also taught jazz at area universities. It is certainly

something that I miss, but beyond performing on stage, I miss listening to jazz music in a small venue like a jazz club.

From its origins in speakeasies and juke joints, jazz was brought into the concert hall setting by Norman Granz whose Jazz at the Philharmonic series began in 1944. In 1946, Woody Herman performed at the famed Carnegie Hall. Today, jazz can regularly be heard in our community in concert halls, outdoor amphitheaters and other large venues. There are also a handful of local restaurants that present jazz, listening rooms along the lines of Village Vanguard in New York, the Dakota in Minneapolis and Jazz St. Louis in St. Louis.

April is Jazz Appreciation Month, and to help celebrate, the Cultural Division is partnering with multi-talented jazz artist Nicole Yarling to launch the new concert series, Jazz at the Circuit. Located in the Destination Sistrunk Cultural Center (1033 N.W. Sixth St.) in Fort Lauderdale's Sistrunk neighborhood, Jazz at the Circuit kicks off with two free sets by Grammy Award-nominated jazz saxophonist Marcus Strickland and his quartet on the evening of Friday, April 21.

We are excited to bring this new jazz listening experience to Fort Lauderdale for the community to enjoy. More concerts for the series are currently being scheduled. Be sure to check out [ArtsCalendar.com](https://www.artscalendar.com) for more information.

Grammy Award-nominated jazz saxophonist Marcus Strickland and his quartet.



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GEORGIA PIG CELEBRATES ITS 70TH YEAR

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For those who have lived in Fort Lauderdale for a long time, you are likely familiar with the longtime owners of Carroll's Jewelers – the Moormans. However, you may not know that they are also the family behind the wildly popular barbecue spot, Georgia Pig.


“As my dad likes to say, we’re in the solid gold business downtown and the liquid gold business out west,” said Luke Moorman of their popular mustard-based barbecue sauce. However, as Luke and his family only came on as owners of this hidden gem joint in 2014, they had some mighty big shoes to fill from the previous owners.

Founded in 1953, Georgia Pig was established by Linton and Frances Anderson who had moved to South Florida in the early 1950s from Jesup, Georgia, bringing with them their family recipes. Initially, Georgia Pig was only a meat market but quickly expanded into a restaurant to meet the demand of eager customers looking to get a taste of the best barbecue in town. Before they knew it, the restaurant became a huge hit. Then in 1997, the couple’s son, Wayne, took over the family business alongside his wife, JoAnn. That was until 2014, however, when they decided it might be time to pass the torch to someone else and who better to take over than longtime Georgia Pig customers, the Moorman family.

“My family and I have been going to the restaurant for as long as I can remember,” Luke Moorman said. “So, when the opportunity to purchase Georgia Pig came up, we discussed buying it with Wayne and JoAnn and everything just sort of fell into place,” he said.

Luckily, for other longtime customers, there were no worries to be had about the change in ownership as the Moorman family had no plans to alter their beloved restaurant. “The most common thing that happens with a restaurant when new owners come in is they change the thing that drives customers to keep coming back. So, we went out of our way physically, mentally, and financially in order to keep it the same, so that we wouldn't lose those customers,” he said.

With that, all of their menu items have remained the same which includes staples like their chopped pork sandwich, barbecue platters, and their delectable pies which are made in-house daily. Yet, one of their biggest draws is their weekly specials such as their meatloaf Mondays and the ever-popular fried chicken Fridays. Along the thread of keeping things the same, even many of their staff members have been with the Georgia Pig since the very beginning.

“We prioritize taking care of our staff. We want them to prosper and have a career with us which isn’t usually the case for a typical service industry job,” he said. Ultimately, there’s something to be said about Georgia Pig’s 70 years of success and sticking to what you know best and for them that’s great hospitality and finger licking good barbecue. 

GEORGIA PIG

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1. The Deluxe barbecue pork platter, one of the most popular lunch items.

2. The Georgia Pig in 1953.

3. Frances and Linton Anderson founded the Georgia Pig 70 years ago, on Feb. 13, 1953. The obituary for Frances, who outlived her husband Linton, is hung in a place of honor at the restaurant.

4. JoAnn and Wayne Linton carried on the family tradition at Georgia Pig for many years.

5. First batch of bottled Georgia Pig’s “The Sauce” includes uplifting quotes on the label such as “Fill your life with love.”

6. Jeremy Placencia works at the barbecue pit.

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We continued to speedily power through the first quarter despite headwinds of full employment, rising interest rates and continued inflation.

February job figures nationally continued to buck strong recessionary fears as most of our sectors in South Florida maintained or expanded. As of this writing, 2.2 percent unemployment in Broward County means we have 50 percent of available workers for open positions.

Wage growth is ebbing nationally. This is good news for federal policymakers who will add that metric to their interest rate brew. It seems that interest rate increases will continue. Eventually something has to give.

New talent migration to our area is coming from typical markets: New York City, Boston, Chicago lead the pack. We also have seen professionals head east from Los Angeles and San Francisco.

We continue to see hospitality grow with new restaurants like Moxies opening. More will come as our urban core intensifies with density and excitement. Entrepreneurs and larger companies find greater Fort Lauderdale a prime location to set up a second office or main position.

Our downtown market currently has an inventory of 10,976 units with a 94 percent occupancy rate. There are another 4,539 units under construction, but this should taper off. With market forces bearing down, developers are finding it more difficult to begin moving dirt.


We don't see the 58.5 percent five-year rent growth continuing at that non-sustainable rate. The forecast is calling for annual rent growth at a modest 3.8 percent.

We have 9.5 million square feet of inventory for class A-C space with another 30,000 square feet under construction, according to Colliers International. "Healthy tenant demand has pushed rental rates up to a record high of \$51.08 per square foot for full services, a 40 percent increase over the last five years," their report stated.

Downtown Fort Lauderdale has recovered faster and stronger from the Covid downturn than most markets ranking in the top 10 in the United States, according to a study completed at UC Berkeley. Remember during Covid when some thought remote workers spelled the death of office? Not so fast.

In Florida, only Jacksonville ranked higher for recovery. San Diego, Baltimore, Columbus and Las Vegas led the study for quickest recoveries. Calgary, Indianapolis, Portland and San Francisco trailed the field.

We continue to develop community assets like Huizenga Park, Tunnel Top Park, and War Memorial. Soon look for the community asset at Drive Pink Stadium to be resolved, giving us more attractive options. Our convention center expansion including a hotel fits nicely into our growth landscape along with future plans for connections from a mobility hub at Fort Lauderdale-Hollywood International Airport.

The strength we are experiencing in our economy is directly related to intelligent planning, attractive community assets, and collaboration between the public and private sectors. Now is the time to innovate and accelerate. 

The Sears property was sold to developer Aimco in May 2022. The developer has plans for multifamily apartments on the mixed-use project, known as Searstown.



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MIXING BUSINESS AND PLEASURE

AN INTERVIEW WITH JONATHAN POGASH OF THE COCKTAIL GURU

Hospitality is at the heart of every yachting experience. Entertaining on board is a big part of what makes time at sea relaxing and memorable. Nobody understands how to elevate entertainment like Jonathan Pogash, the original Cocktail Guru.

A veteran mixologist of the New York City nightlife scene, Jonathan has been crafting specialty cocktails and artisanal alcohol creations for decades. He leveraged his expertise and launched his consulting business, The Cocktail Guru, in 2006. The goal? To elevate the art of the mix and make it accessible to aspiring bartenders everywhere.

Since then, Jonathan and his team of talented mixologists have worked with a global roster of clients. Whether helping restaurants curate cocktail menus or teaching individuals the perfect pour, The Cocktail Guru's approach to cocktail enlightenment is equal parts education and entertainment.

I had a chance to sit down with Jonathan recently to find out more about his business and learn how he's helping yacht crews around the world elevate the on-board experience for guests.

How did you get involved with the marine and yachting industry?

Around 2014, I was contacted by a chief stewardess from a superyacht asking if we offered private classes. It was an intriguing opportunity and one we were excited to pursue.

We did our research to ensure the class we offered would maximize value to the crew. One thing we learned early on is that any interior crew training should be GUEST/IAMI accredited. GUEST is the only internationally accredited maritime hospitality program for crew working in the superyacht sector. If you're a crew member looking to work on bigger boats, having GUEST/IAMI accreditation is very valuable for your career trajectory.

So, we got busy getting GUEST/IAMI-certified and then launched our accredited interior crew training classes that year. We worked closely with several experienced stews, including Bethany Hodnefield and Adrienne Gang, to shape and refine the curriculum. You might recognize Adrienne from the first season of *Below Deck*.

We offer in-person training classes at several Fort Lauderdale-based yacht training facilities, including Maritime Professional Training, Bluewater Yachting, and Blue Oceans, typically in the spring and fall. This April, we're teaming up with Aileen Keenan, The Yacht Stew Guru, for our classes at Blue Oceans.

We also offer private classes on board vessels that are

docked in and around Fort Lauderdale and the northeast United States.

How is bartending service unique in a yacht environment?

Space is the biggest constraint. Unlike a typical bar environment, where you will have expansive room to work, yacht crew is confined to a small galley area. Even on superyachts, crew must work within much smaller spaces than they would on land. We make it a point to incorporate tips and tricks for managing in small spaces into our course curriculum.

Tell me about your expansion into fine wines.

My father, Jeffrey Pogash, had a very successful 18-year career with Moët Hennessy USA. Before that, for 17 years he was the U.S. representative for CIVA, the organization that represents the growers, shippers, and cooperatives in Alsace, France.

His wine and spirits knowledge is unmatched. When he retired in 2011, he offered his expertise to The Cocktail Guru. His joining the team adds a natural synergy and allows us to offer education that covers the full spectrum for our students. Cocktails, wines, champagnes. You name it, we cover it.

You can find more information on Jonathan Pogash and his talented team of Cocktail Gurus and Services at www.thecocktailguru.com.



Jonathan Pogash and his father, Jeffrey Pogash





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
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WRITER MADELAINE K. BOYER

Every year, Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale honors a few individuals who have made a significant impact in the City of Fort Lauderdale and Riverwalk. For this year's 23rd Annual Riverwalk Tribute, the following individuals will be recognized for their accomplishments and contributions to the community: Nectaria Chakas and Robert Lochrie of Lochrie and Chakas, Keith Costello of Locality Bank, Renée Quinn of QuinnProQuo, and Bob Swindell of the Greater Fort Lauderdale Alliance.

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Honorees

- **Bob Swindell**, President and CEO of the Greater Fort Lauderdale Alliance
- **Keith Costello**, President, CEO and co-founder of Locality Bank
- **Robert B. Lochrie III**, Attorney at Lochrie and Chakas P.A.
- **Nectaria Chakas**, Attorney at Lochrie and Chakas P.A.
- **Renée K. Quinn**, President of QuinnProQuo Strategies + Communication and Curator of Spirited South Florida

BOB SWINDELL

President and CEO of the Greater Fort Lauderdale Alliance

Hometown: Fort Lauderdale

Years lived in Fort Lauderdale: Grew up here

Education: Local public schools (in 2018 I was inducted into the Broward Schools Alumni Hall of Fame) and University of Florida

Career path: Champion Manufacturing (1983), president and owner of Champion Manufacturing (2002), senior vice president of business development for the Alliance (2003), president and CEO of Alliance Board of Directors (2009)

Q: Why do you feel Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale is important to our city?

A: Our primary mission is to promote and build the business brand of Fort Lauderdale by assisting businesses considering relocation or an expansion of an existing business. With that, the New River is the crown jewel of our waterways, and Riverwalk serves as an unrivaled setting in showing off that asset.

Q: What would our readers be surprised to know about you?

A: After 22 years living in Citrus Isles, my husband John and I decided to move to Sailboat Bend. Now, I really do "walk the Riverwalk" almost every day with our labrador retrievers, Sadie and Bella.

Q: How do you feel you have helped Fort Lauderdale grow as a city and community?

A: I am blessed that my job places me in a unique position to help our city and community grow. We have worked over the past two decades to attract new companies, diversify the types of businesses, and build our identity as a thriving business destination. As we look to the future, we have to embrace innovation and be thoughtful about how we accommodate our growth while preserving the greatness for future generations.



ROBERT B. LOCHRIE

Attorney at Lochrie and Chakas P.A.

Hometown: Washington D.C., then moved to Fort Lauderdale at age of 2

Years lived in Fort Lauderdale: 53

Education: B.A. in political science from Boston College (1990); J.D. from University of Florida (1993)

Career path: Land use and zoning attorney (1994 to present)

Q: What are some of the highlights of your career?

A: Working on projects along the Riverwalk has certainly been a highlight of my career. Our firm has worked on projects along the north and south sides of the river, and we feel fortunate that our work brings neighbors and businesses to the Riverwalk creating a vibrant community for many to enjoy.

Q: Why do you feel Riverwalk is important to our city?

A: The New River has always been the lifeblood of our city. The Seminoles came here because of the river, and Frank Stranahan founded his ferry service and store here. As the city has grown, it has become the foundation of our community. It is now the heart of our downtown with multiple residences, hotels, restaurants, and businesses resulting in a dynamic waterfront community.

Q: How do you feel your projects address the quality-of-life issues in the city and downtown?

A: It has been especially fulfilling to work on projects that have contributed land and added Riverwalk connections that did not previously exist. Ensuring that the Riverwalk is continuous along the north and south sides has been a critical component to ensuring public access along the waterfront.

NECTARIA CHAKAS

Attorney at Lochrie and Chakas P.A.

Hometown: Schenectady, New York then moved to St. Petersburg at 8 years old

Years lived in Fort Lauderdale: 26

Education: B.A. in communications, Palm Beach Atlantic University (1993); J.D., Nova Southeastern University (1999); LL.M. in real property development, University of Miami School of Law (2002)

Career path: Assistant public defender, Broward County Public Defender (1999-2001), Land use and zoning attorney (2002-present)

Q: Why do you feel Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale is important to our city?

A: The Riverwalk is a “gem” in our city, and the Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale is a crucial component to keeping that “gem” polished so it can be enjoyed. From numerous events and activities organized and operated by Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale to leading the charge on important public initiatives that help the Riverwalk, it’s not an exaggeration to say it wouldn’t be where it is without Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale.

Q: What would our readers be surprised to know about you?

A: I have a whole Christmas village of lit up, porcelain houses I’ve been collecting since the 1990s. Every year, my husband and I spend hours setting them up, but the end result is worth it.

Q: What legislation do you believe is needed to improve the quality of life in the city and downtown?

A: I don’t think it’s so much legislation as it is about money. The seawall in certain areas of the Riverwalk need replacement, so allocating funds to this is important to the quality of life for those who live along and frequent the Riverwalk.



RENÉE K. QUINN

President of QuinnProQuo and Curator of Spirited South Florida

Hometown: Deerfield Beach

Years lived in Fort Lauderdale: Since 2018, but worked in Fort Lauderdale since 1982

Education: Cardinal Gibbons High School, Florida Atlantic University, CFP, and a plethora of financial courses through my career

Career path: Branch banking, branch operations, lending operations, sales and marketing, branch management, private banking director, wealth management executive and community relations director, consultant and entrepreneur

Q: Why do you feel Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale is important to our city?

A: Riverwalk is about connecting through not only the physical location but its people as well. We invested in Downtown Fort Lauderdale over 35 years ago to create the vibrant community that we are today. During my board tenure as Riverwalk Trust vice president, president, and immediate past president, connecting with people and the community was my passion.

Q: What would our readers be surprised to know about you?

A: I was actually accepted to art school in New York at the age of 17 and I wanted to be a fashion illustrator, photographer and graphic artist.

Q: What has been your favorite part about covering the latest trends in culinary and cocktails in Fort Lauderdale?

A: My favorite part has been being a part of and supporting my South Florida In The Biz family and promoting the renaissance of craft cocktail in Fort Lauderdale through Spirited South Florida. Also, #CocktailRs, Bourbon Hopscotch, and Lounge and Learn are just a few programs that support and raise funds for local charitable organizations that I'm proud to support as well.



KEITH COSTELLO

CEO and co-founder of Locality Bank

Hometown: Albany, New York

Years lived in Fort Lauderdale: 42

Education: B.S. in business, University of Tampa; MBA, University of Miami

Career path: U.S. Army Captain then in 1990 started in banking

Q: What are some of the highlights of your career?

A: I would say some highlights of my career include starting the Broward Bank of Commerce in Fort Lauderdale in January of 2009 which I then sold in 2014. Then becoming CEO of First Green Bank in 2016 and selling it in 2018 and finally opening Locality Bank in January of 2022.

Q: What would our readers be surprised to know about you?

A: I compete in CrossFit for my age group, and I finished 40th worldwide in the online qualifier.

Q: Why do you believe it is so important to invest funding back into the local community of Fort Lauderdale?

A: As a community bank, we only do as well as a business through the economic activity of our community. It is good for business to support the local economy and civic and arts organizations because they contribute to a place that people want to live and work in. The Riverwalk, in particular, is an amazing attraction that is important and makes our city unique. So, our bank's mission is to empower local companies to maximize their potential and local business is the soul of the community.





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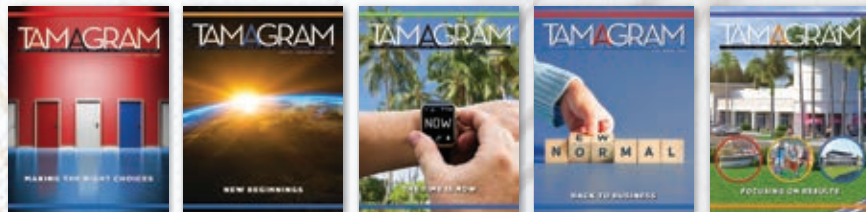
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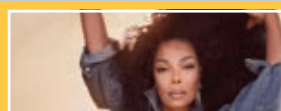
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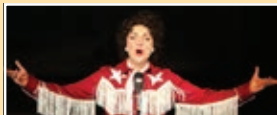
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Circle of Life Experience

Self-guided tours that highlight our local natural environment
Snyder Park

Fort Lauderdale Beach Sweep

Second Saturday
Help keep Fort Lauderdale Beach clean!
HUB at Fort Lauderdale Beach

Wild Talks at the Park

Second Sunday, Fourth Saturday
Learn about local wildlife
Snyder Park
Fort Lauderdale Parks & Rec
954-828-5568
www.parks.fortlauderdale.gov

Jazz Brunch

First Sunday
Free, outdoor concert series featuring local musicians on 3 stages
City of Fort Lauderdale
Esplanade Park & Riverwalk
954-828-5365
www.fortlauderdale.gov



New River Open Air Market

First Sunday
Local vendors offer their goods
History Fort Lauderdale
954-463-4431
www.historyfortlauderdale.org

Storytime in the Garden

First Sunday
Mrs. Barbara reads a story related to nature
Flamingo Gardens
954-473-2955
www.flamingogardens.org

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Sips, Sounds & Splats

Third Sundays
Art and wine social with live music
South Side Cultural Arts Center
954-828-6250
www.parks.fortlauderdale.org

Forest Bathing

Fourth Sundays
Relax, tune out the world for two hours in nature
Bonnet House Museum & Gardens
954-463-5393
www.bonnethouse.org

Save Our Seas Distinguished Speaker Series

First Thursday
An international lineup of environmental speakers



Sensory Friendly Sunday

Fourth Sunday
Film screenings for those with autism spectrum disorder

Bank of America: Museums on Us

First full weekend
Free admission for BOA customers

Sprouting Stem

Varies
Introducing little scientists (aged 0-6) to STEM-related topics
Museum of Discovery & Science
954-467-6637
www.mods.org

NSU ART MUSEUM

FORT LAUDERDALE

Free First Thursday Sunny Days

First Thursday
Free admission and 2-4-1 beer and wine

Bank of America: Museums on Us

First full weekend
Free admission for BOA customers

Free Fort Lauderdale Neighbor Day

Last Sunday
Free admission for FTL residents
954-525-5500
www.nsuartmuseum.org

RIVERWALK RECREATION

Shippey House

220 S.W. 3rd Ave. | Fort Lauderdale
954-526-5159



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www.cycleparty.com

Paddle Pub Tours

Daily | Reservation required
Jump aboard a 20-person Paddle Pub and experience Fort Lauderdale and the waterway in a new way.
www.paddlepub.com/fort-lauderdale

Bike Tours

Daily | Reservation required
Tours of Fort Lauderdale and Riverwalk for all abilities.
www.RiverwalkActivities.com



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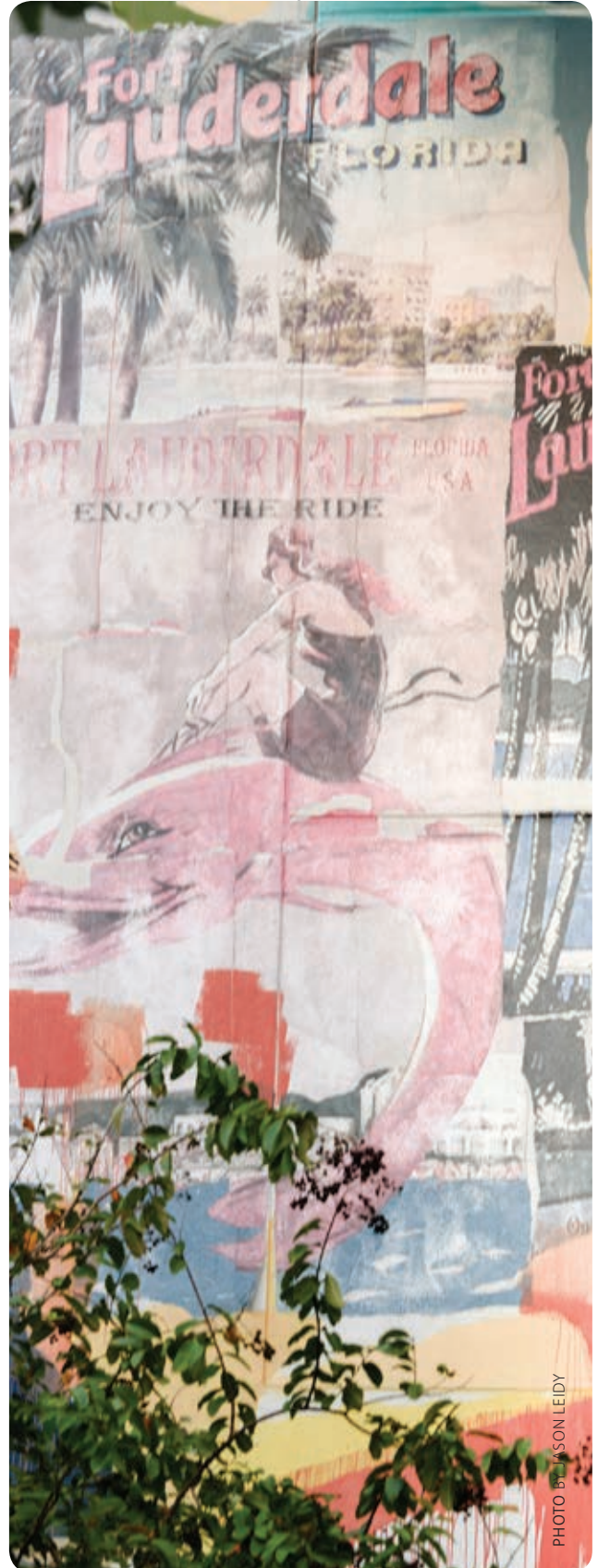


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A BOURBON AFFAIR

A Kentucky Derby Party

SATURDAY, MAY 6, 2023

5:30 pm – 7:30 pm

Join us for the 4th annual **A Bourbon Affair**, presented by Holman, a Kentucky Derby Party and private bourbon tasting experience at Lobster Bar Sea Grille in Fort Lauderdale. Guests will enjoy 10+ high-end bourbons, lite bites and celebrate the 2023 Kentucky Derby. Derby attire encouraged.



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GROUNDBREAKING CEREMONY FOR DC ALEXANDER PARK

The City of Fort Lauderdale broke ground on Feb. 16 for the redesigned DC Alexander Park in Fort Lauderdale Beach. The underutilized space located between A1A and Seabreeze Boulevard on Southeast Fifth Street offers an elevated ocean viewing area, a new playground, bathrooms and pedestrian accessibility.



DISTRICT 2 COMMISSIONER STEVEN GLASSMAN



GROUNDBREAKING OF THE REDESIGNED DC ALEXANDER PARK



MAYOR DEAN TRANTALIS SPEAKS AT THE GROUNDBREAKING CEREMONY

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MODS WINE, SPIRITS AND CULINARY CELEBRATION

The Museum of Discovery and Science held its 26th Annual Bank of America Wine, Spirits and Culinary Celebration on March 3.



PHOTOS PROVIDED BY MODS

NEW HOLY CROSS HEALTH CENTER

A new Holy Cross Health Center opened on Sistrunk Boulevard in March in the retail space at the L.A. Lee YMCA/Mizell Community Center, 1409 N.W. Sixth St., Suite 103 in Fort Lauderdale.



FRITZ LAPORTE AND FORT LAUDERDALE COMMISSIONER PAMELA BEASLEY-PITTMAN



HOLY CROSS HEALTH COMMUNITY HEALTH AND WELL-BEING TEAM



PABLO GUZMAN, RUDY MOLINET AND MARK DOYLE

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MODS INAUGURAL VISIT LAUDERDALE SCIENCE FESTIVAL

The Museum of Discovery and Science held its first two-day Visit Lauderdale Science Festival on March 3 and 4.



MODS DIRECTOR JOE COX GREETES THE CROWD AT THE SCIENCE FESTIVAL.



INES ROSALES, GIULIANA MUDRYJ, KAREN HENDRIKS, SIAN KOTHA AND REYHAAN THUMMADI

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LIGHTHOUSE OF BROWARD

Blind and visually impaired kids tackle STEAM projects during Lighthouse of Broward's "For the Love of STEAM" event in March.



ISAAC A., MOM JOANNA AND YOUNGER BROTHERS ROBERT AND DYLAN



JOSE LOPEZ MASSO, ELLYN DROTZER AND WILLIAM MOSS (STANDING, BACK CENTER) WITH AMERICAN HERITAGE SCHOOL STUDENT VOLUNTEERS



ANDREAS M., JOSHUA V., AND ANDY A. AT AN ACTIVITY BOOTH HOSTED BY STRYKER

PHOTOS PROVIDED BY LIGHTHOUSE OF BROWARD

COMMUNITY CARE PLAN NON-PROFIT AWARDS

More than 650 people honored the work of Broward County's non-profit agencies at the 12th Annual Community Care Plan Non-Profit Awards hosted by 211 Broward on March 3.



FRANCISCO ISAZA, MILIN ESPINO, SUSAN MANSOLILLO AND DANA SOMERSTEIN



JOHN BENZ, JESSICA LERNER, MONICA FIGUEROA KING, TIM CURTIN AND TAMMY TUCKER



SILVIA QUINTANA AND MARIA HERNANDEZ

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