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HITTING ALL THE HIGH NOTES



Private Stock headlines the May 26 Friday Night Sound Waves concert to kick off Memorial Day Weekend and welcome the World Aquatics High Diving athletes.

Spanning Cinco de Mayo to Memorial Day weekend, Fridays in May hit all the high notes for a great night out with family and friends. Save the dates for the final-four concerts in the series, featuring EXTASY (May 5), a special double header with PURE HEART and MR. NICE GUY feat. Maria DeCresano for Mother's Day (May 12), and HOT BRASS: a tribute to Chicago and Earth, Wind and Fire (May 19). PRIVATE STOCK closes it out with a change of venue to Las Olas Intracoastal Park and will highlight the athletes competing in the World Aquatics High Diving World Cup that weekend at the Fort Lauderdale Aquatics Center. To view complete details on all of the pre-concert activities and ways to extend your evening on Fort Lauderdale Beach, visit fridaynightsoundwaves.com

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During Small Business Month in May we are celebrating all small businesses and the people who support them. Share a photo of your market purchase(s) online and nominate one of our small business vendors. In return we will gift you a gift card and them a complimentary market space in June. Win / Win. :)

Need some inspiration to #ShopSmall? Naturally, SBM offers plenty. **View the list below, plus more ways and contest details at theloopflb.com**

- **Cinco De Mayo + National Concert Day, May 5:** Order some tacos from *Saucy Lips* at *Friday Night Sound Waves*
- **National Fitness Day, May 6:** Boost your fitness routine with a *Boost Juice* or gel capsules from *Sea Moss 4 Life*
- **Lemonade + Cosmopolitan Day, May 7:** Sip on a refreshing Hand-smashed Lemonade or Mocktail on Saturday from *Sweet Blends and VSS Mocktail Bar*
- **Hummus Day, May 13:** Take home some of the finest hummus (and dead sea hand scrub) from *Mediterranean Delights*
- **Mother Ocean Day, May 13:** Support the LOOP while doing something good for the ocean and purchase an Ocean Sole art piece from *EdSea*
- **Chocolate Chip Day, May 15:** Plan ahead and purchase a *Kukie Munchster* box of cookies at the Saturday market. Pro Tip: Hide one or they will all be gone before Monday.
- **Pizza Party Day, May 19:** Celebrate Friday - Sunday with a fresh made, gluten-free pie from *Delirious Pizza*

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2 BEDROOM 2 BATH

Exceeding your expectations from this 18th floor Bradford model with Ocean, Intracoastal, river & city views! Light & bright, this split bedroom floor plan offers over 1600 sq. ft. of spacious living areas & an expansive terrace with the views you have been waiting for. Marble floors throughout, a thoughtful design connects every room to the terrace through floor to ceiling glass sliders, making for an easy transition from indoor to outdoor space. The master suite is complete with a deep soaking jacuzzi, dual vanity, private lavatory and marble shower.

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.



LAS OLAS RIVER HOUSE

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.

JUST SOLD!

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.

JUST LISTED

CHELSEA | \$1,099,000

2 BEDROOM 2.5 BATH

Gorgeous north-western sunset river views! 25th floor Chelsea featuring rounded floor-to-ceiling windows throughout, marble/tile flooring, spa inspired master bathroom & gourmet kitchen with stainless steel appliances.



350 LAS OLAS PLACE

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2 BEDROOM 2 BATH | \$599,900

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UNDER CONTRACT | MOONGLOW

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.

UNDER CONTRACT | SEAVIEW

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 marble floors, modern grey & white quartz kitchen with waterfall edge countertops & full backsplash, stainless appliances & brushed nickel hardware.



NUR RIVER
LANDING

UNDER CONTRACT | 1 BEDROOM 1 BATH

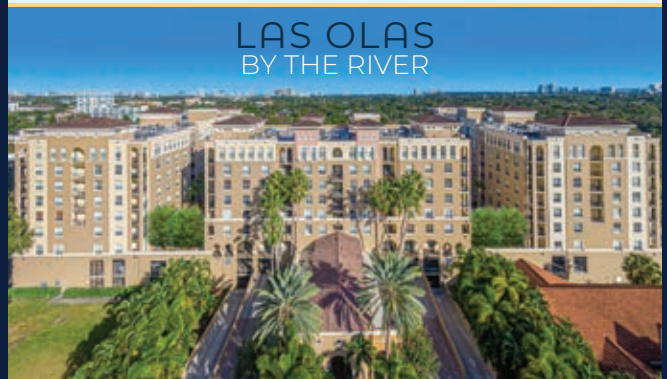
Rarely on the market river facing 1 bedroom 1 bathroom with a terrace providing river & ocean views from every room! Open living areas, granite counter tops, stainless steel appliances, washer and dryer and tile floors throughout. Storage unit included.

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.



LAS OLAS
BY THE RIVER

JUST LISTED | 2 BEDROOM 2 BATH | \$450,000

Spacious split bedroom floor plan with stunning pool views! The covered balcony is the perfect spot to enjoy the picturesque view of the pool and garden. The open gourmet kitchen is equipped with high-end stainless steel appliances and features a granite countertop. The unit also boasts walk-in closets and a washer and dryer for your convenience.



BY RICHARD RODRIGUEZ
Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale Chair



CONNECTING COMMUNITY

RIVERWALK IS MORE THAN A PLACE ALONG THE NEW RIVER

Riverwalk and the Riverwalk District are integral to Downtown Fort Lauderdale. It provides an abundance of green space and parks and activations that appeal to the masses. The mission of Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale is “to be the catalyst in building and nurturing Riverwalk and the Riverwalk District as a vibrant community connected by the New River.” We pursue our mission through a wide range of fundraising and membership events and advocacy on behalf of the park and district through our website, magazine and weekly eblast to keep our members and

opt-in subscribers up to date on all that is going on.

Formed in December of 1988 in partnership with the City of Fort Lauderdale, there is a long history of assuring that the Riverwalk pedestrian

UPCOMING RIVERWALK EVENTS

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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walkway is completed to the plans set forth in the Riverwalk Master Plan, that abutting construction is an enhancement to Riverwalk and that the pedestrian walkway is always available to the public. Maintenance, infrastructure, addition of amenities in the district are some of the projects that are always in progress. Establishing new park areas and adding playground and exercise equipment, adding decorative planters throughout the district, installation of public art, planting of specialty areas, including the JoAnn Smith Botanical Garden, are some of the highlights. Construction and dedication of the 9/11 Memorial brought national recognition to Riverwalk as did the installation of the Lone Sailor. It is the mission of Riverwalk to also be the eyes on the parks in our district and ears for our residents to assure that we continue to provide the kinds of events and amenities that are desired.

With a very small team, the staffs of Riverwalk and Go Riverwalk Magazine work hard to provide information to the public through email blast weekly, monthly Go Riverwalk Magazine and a robust webpage complete with a master calendar for the Greater Fort Lauderdale area. This is a very dedicated group of employees that host more than 30 events each year from yoga, dog training, fitness camps and kickball leagues to major food and entertainment festivals like Riverwalk Stone Crab and Seafood Festival, Riverwalk Chili Cook-off, Riverwalk Barbecue Feast, Riverwalk Fall Festival – just to name a few. They work in partnership with many other organizations like Funky Buddha, Riverside Market, Riverside Hotel, Historic Downtowner, and many others to host public events that welcome a family crowd.

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BY GENIA DUNCAN ELLIS
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GROWING DOWNTOWN

WORKING TO DEFINE OUR FUTURE

Downtown boundaries continue to expand both in a northern and southern direction. A sleepy working center is long gone with multiple high-rise condos and apartments as well office buildings dotting the skyline. The mixture has created an urban Downtown that is a draw to active residents and a center for businesses.

Following the pandemic and the slowdown in construction during that period, the public and private

sector leaders have taken a hard look and assumed some policies and practices and governmental solutions that define the future and what the next generation might expect in the shared prosperity in downtowns nationwide.

Walkability, easy public transportation, greenspace, activations, and sense of place have become the terminology for defining goals and needs for urban downtowns. Businesses select locations that offer those

items along with a great tax incentive, partnerships in the community, a strong workforce and affordability of living. Being in a destination city, this brings a few challenges to meet all those goals but they are something our local governments are working toward. Affordable housing is a key topic everywhere and a priority in all cities in south Florida.

The job market is a major factor for encouraging businesses to choose here. We have so many local colleges and universities that are producing high performing graduates, it is a great place to cherry-pick expertise. We also have a robust service community and outstanding schools that teach trades with those skills that are in great demand for businesses looking to grow.

The City of Fort Lauderdale has several approved plans in place to guide the renewal and growth of Downtown. We are fortunate to be the county seat of Broward County, a coastal city, and a transportation hub for cruise, air and train travel. Fort Lauderdale has several tag lines that are #thecityyouneverwanttoleave ... #liveworkplay ... #weareftl ... and if the truth is known, we are all those things and more. We have a federal courthouse that selected our city and is in construction, we have major sport teams that chose us for their teams. We have great parks and green spaces, we have an abundance of activities, and we have the ability to interact and make a difference with our local government.

At the end of the day – we are a destination downtown, city and a great place to live! 📍



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CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE

MEMORIAL DAY

Ceremonies

MONDAY, MAY 29, 2023

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9:00 AM

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11:00 AM

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Since then, my team — business partner Michael “Mike” Johnston — and I have been helping our community stay fit and healthy.

We offer small group and one-on-one and personal training for the active aging adult in a private, non-threatening atmosphere.

My background in the fitness industry as a fitness specialist, entrepreneur, and public speaker spans more than 30 years. I am the author of the book "Stay Strong, Live Long." In my book, you will discover that exercise can be fun, challenging, and motivating to pursue a life full of energy, strength, and passion.

The Riverwalk organization has helped us promote our message and expand our footprint in the community while advocating the benefits that an active lifestyle can bring us as we age. We love that Riverwalk is a non-profit, charitable organization comprised of private volunteer citizens. Mike has recently become a board member, which affords us more opportunities to do more for our community and get our important message of "move, feel, and look your best at any age" heard by those who need us.



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Some people believe that banking can be slightly boring, but in my role as a senior vice president for Bank of America’s Private Bank, I have the unique opportunity to create days that are exciting both inside and outside of the office. As the head of a team of specialists, we work with exceptional individuals who require custom banking, lending, investment and planning solutions. We offer lending on items such as art, yachts, private planes, or complex real estate transactions, just to name a few.

When not working, you will see me out in the community at a variety of events Downtown. Riverwalk is one organization I was immediately drawn to years ago and am so proud to have been involved all this time.

The fight against breast cancer is another cause that I am drawn to due to the fact that my family has been directly affected by this disease. As the South Florida Chapter Leader for the Karen Wellington Foundation, I get to put fun on the calendars of women currently battling breast cancer, so they have something to look forward to such as a weekend spa getaway or family adventure far away from all the chemotherapy and radiation treatments.

Being deeply involved in my community, helping others through my philanthropic endeavors, or just enjoying a run along the Riverwalk are reasons why I love life in South Florida. I encourage everyone to chase what they are passionate about and go the extra mile because it’s never crowded!

Members of Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale express their support and join us in our mission of building a vibrant community. Riverwalk supports Downtown’s diverse, mixed-use community of arts and entertainment establishments along with business, residential, judicial, educational, and marine interests.

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DOWNTOWNER OF THE YEAR

Our very own Genia Duncan Ellis was honored as the Downtowner of the Year by the Greater Fort Lauderdale Chamber of Commerce and the Fort Lauderdale Downtown Development Authority on March 31. Ellis is the president and CEO of Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale.



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Genia Duncan Ellis with the Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale Board of Directors and staff



RIVERWALK GET DOWNTOWN

On April 3, Riverwalk members gathered at YOLO for an evening of networking while enjoying some great food and drinks. This semi-annual event is an opportunity for all Riverwalk members to reconnect and show their support for the organization. Become a member and you too could join this great group of people.



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JOANN SMITH BOTANICAL GARDEN DEDICATION

Longtime Riverwalk supporter and staff member, JoAnn Smith was honored with the dedication of the JoAnn Smith Botanical Garden at Stranahan Park on April 5. The City of Fort Lauderdale, Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale, Fort Lauderdale Citizens Volunteer Corps, and the Fort Lauderdale Woman’s Club recognized Smith for her continued commitment to preserving the park’s botanical garden and beautifying Fort Lauderdale.



JoAnn Smith



Fort Lauderdale Vice Mayor and District 3 Commissioner Pamela Beasley-Pittman, District 2 Commissioner Steven Glassman, Mayor Dean Trantalis and JoAnn Smith



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LIVE, WORK AND PLAY

THE BENEFITS OF A VIBRANT DOWNTOWN

When I first came to Fort Lauderdale in 2006, I made the decision that I wanted to experience what makes Fort Lauderdale the “Venice of America,” so I rented an apartment on the south bank of the New River. The parade of boats going up and down the river every day and the lit-up skyline at night demonstrated the vitality of our great Downtown. I’ve been privileged to live in many parts of our city over the last 17 years, including my current location near Commercial Boulevard in District 1. Throughout all that time though, I’ve always worked in the heart of Downtown at City Hall. Having the ability to live, work and play in the same area shows that vibrant Downtowns can provide significant value to a city’s development in several ways:

Economic Development

A vibrant downtown can attract new businesses and residents to the city, which can stimulate economic growth and create jobs. Las Olas and the surrounding area offers a variety of retail and entertainment options, which draws in consumers and tourists, further boosting the local economy.

Community Building

Our Downtown serves as a gathering place for residents, providing a sense of community and connection. Events and festivals hosted on Las Olas and along Riverwalk

bring people outdoors, encouraging social interaction and cultural exchange. The new Tunnel Top Park and reimagined Huizenga Park will add additional gathering spaces for people to come together.

Cultural Significance

Downtown features like Stranahan House, NSU Art Museum, Museum of Discovery and Science, and the Broward Center for the Performing Arts contribute to a city’s cultural identity and heritage.

Transportation Hub

Our Downtown also serves as a transportation hub, with access to the main bus depot and Brightline. Circuit, the latest addition, offers the convenience of an app based micro-mobility option. This accessibility can make it easier for residents and visitors to travel to and from the city center, improving connectivity and reducing congestion.


Overall, a vibrant downtown can be a critical component of the city’s development, contributing to economic growth, community building, cultural significance, transportation, and quality of life. These amenities can make our city more attractive to young professionals, families, and retirees, helping to retain and attract a diverse population and making Fort Lauderdale “The city you never want to leave!” 



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Transportation Planning Division Manager

GATEWAY INTERSECTION

SHARE YOUR COMMENTS ON ALTERNATIVES FOR CHANGES TO THIS WELL-TRAVELED AREA

In the past I have written about projects that range from small bus bench installations to large projects like the Tunnel Top. These projects and all of the in between have significant impacts to the people who use them. This month, I want to share information on a new large project at an intersection that most of us travel through regularly — the Gateway Intersection where US 1/SR 5/Federal Highway turns north from SR-838/Sunrise Boulevard.

Recently, Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) kicked off a study to review multiple alternative concepts for changes to the Gateway Intersection known as a Project Development and Environmental (PD&E) Study with the purpose of identifying solutions to reduce traffic congestion and delays and accommodate future multimodal travel demand and safety. The project will also aim to increase system linkage, eliminate existing roadway deficiencies, improve multimodal interrelationships, and enhance safety for bicycles, pedestrians and transit modes.

The PD&E study process aims to ensure that transportation projects are developed with consideration of current engineering standards, project costs, and minimization of social and environmental impacts, while involving the public throughout the entire study process in compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) federal process.

Because the impacts of this intersection extend beyond just the intersection itself, the overall project study area consists of SR-5/US-1 at SR-838/Sunrise Boulevard to Northeast 15th Avenue on the west, to Northeast 24th Avenue/Bayview on the east, and to Northeast 13th Street on the north.

At the kick off meetings held at the end of March, FDOT presented 10 conceptual alternatives for changes to the intersection that include major alterations like separating the eastbound to northbound and southbound to westbound vehicles from the grade level through raising the road or burying the road, limiting access to Northeast 20th Avenue to improve vehicle flow east of the Gateway Intersection, shifting the turning movements north of the current intersection through a displaced left and elevated T intersection, lengthening and/or adding turn lanes to increase capacity, adding a roundabout, and various combinations of the above.

FDOT is accepting comments from the public on this project. To provide comments and sign up for the project mailing list to receive updates, please visit <https://www.fdot.gov/projects/us1gatewaypde/contact-us>.

There will be two additional public meetings this year to provide more detailed information on the alternatives as they continue to be developed. Sign up for the project mailing list at the link above to receive notice of these meetings. It is anticipated that the completion of the

study with the determination of the preferred alternative to move forward will occur at the end of 2024.


To review more information about the project, including the presentation that was provided during the recent public meetings, visit <https://www.fdot.gov/projects/us1gatewaypde>. 



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INNOVATION IN THE ARTS

LOCAL ARTISTS PRESENT FREE, INNOVATIVE PROJECTS AND EVENTS FOR THE COMMUNITY

They say, “it takes money to make money” and the same is true with art. Artists need funding in order to make and present artwork.

As a way for the Cultural Division to expand our investment in the arts, we partnered with the Community Foundation of Broward to provide \$10,000 artist grants to present innovative projects and events throughout our community.

in Pompano Beach Sept. 9 and 10, and will be recorded via streaming formats as well as a podcast.

Boil Notice exhibition presented by KX2 — Dana Kleinman

Informed by the environmental conditions of Southern Florida, “Boil Notice” focuses on the rising water levels due to climate change, a lack of access to potable water and industrial waste pollution. This installation artistically



All projects must be free and accessible to the public so here are a few highlights of upcoming projects and you can find the details at ArtsCalendar.com.

Papalotl (Butterfly) Project presented by Tara Chadwick

Papalotl uses the art of dance to heighten public awareness of the role all humans play in our ecosystem by infusing Florida by providing transformative experiences in the interdisciplinary art form of Mesoamerican danza. Bringing together youth and elders to share art and agricultural wisdom, “Mother Earth Day” will take place on May 20 at Sunset Lakes Community Center Garden.

Exhibits of How to Keep Going: A Poetry Film presented by Brendan Walsh

A poetry film and performance based on an interconnected poetry narrative about a caravan of disparate vagabonds contending with the aftermath of climate and economic disaster. The project is a collaboration between a Broward-based cinematographer, composer, musician, and poet. For this project, the poet serves as the speaker and guide on a journey through a mundane apocalyptic landscape, with mixed imagery, video, and an original score. The performance is free and will take place at Savor Cinema on May 13.

The Bard in Bars presented by Darius Daughtry

A full-length theatrical production of reimagining of selected works of William Shakespeare told through Hip-Hop, spoken word and modern recitation. Two public performances at the Sample-McDougald House

reflects data related to boil water notices issued across Broward County. The artwork integrates repurposed fixtures to draw the viewer’s attention to residential and industrial pollution, and its impact on our natural water ecology. Highly evocative, the installation reveals the fragile vulnerability of public infrastructure which is often taken for granted. The exhibition will be on view at the Pompano Beach Cultural Center through July 3.

(in)visible: pair-a-dice by Kandy G. Lopez-Moreno

An exhibition of a new body of work made of stained-glass portraits of people of color, specifically from the Dominican Republic. The work will introduce a contemporary view of an ancient technique and focuses on American issues of race, gentrification, immigration, and defense mechanisms. The project will take place at Bailey Contemporary Arts in Pompano Beach.

La Bodega Botanica by Jacob Reyes

An interactive performance using traditional papercut puppets to tell the story of nine-year-old Angel’s growing up in Union City, New Jersey. From a folkloric lens, the project introduces the audience to Angel’s encounter with the story of mainland Puerto Ricans, migration, religion, and slavery through a shadow puppetry performance. The project will take place May 15 and 17 at the Main Library in Fort Lauderdale.

Thank You, Places! Post-Production and Screening by Timothy Mark Davis

A narrative feature film blending theater and film into a cinematic venture. Storyline: In the midst of a pandemic a

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group of theatre artists who don't know how to make a film try to create a film to save their company from financial collapse. A divorce, affair, past and present secrets, and new betrayals may be the virus that ends their company before a global pandemic does. A public screening will take place at Savor Cinema.

New Uses in Furniture and Sculpture by Luke Jenkins


A research-based project experimenting with thermally modified wood and transforming it into small and full-scale sculptures/furniture as tests. Benches will be accessible at Coral Springs Museum of Art early this summer.

Post-War Cleansing Ritual by Anthony Torres

A 45-minute site-specific performance piece that explores the traumatic pain and emotional suffering of war veterans of color, will take place around Independence Day this summer. Reintegration

ceremonies after war are customary for many native and indigenous communities and typically involves a cleansing ritual, in which the returning warrior frees themselves, both literally and metaphorically, of the moral and ethical injuries stemming from participating and witnessing combat related trauma.

A Matter of Black Lives – The African American Fiddler by Nicole Yarling

An interactive, multimedia performance exploring African American contributions to American culture, specifically from African American Fiddlers, banjo playing, and square dance callers. The project includes a live interactive performance of original music, dance performance, and an exhibition/presentation of the history of Black Fiddlers. The performance will take place at The Circuit in Destination Sistrunk. 



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For years now, rideshare apps like Uber and Lyft have dominated the market by offering an easy way for people to get around town in the city where they live or when visiting a new one. However, there has been one area where these well-known services have been somewhat lacking – short distance, quick trips.

“No one’s really wanted to focus on the one-to-two-mile trips because it’s not profitable for a taxi company, so it’s been a big gap in the mobility market,” said Jason Bagley, partner at Circuit. That was until this newest brand in rideshare services was introduced in Fort Lauderdale.

Founded by James Mirras and Alex Esposito in 2011, Circuit is an affordable, and in some areas free, electric, micro-transit solution. Using fleets of small electric vehicles, Circuit offers a transportation solution that fills the need of many travelers looking for help getting to a destination only a short distance away.

Today, Circuit is available in cities all across the country but became available in Fort Lauderdale in late 2019, made possible through funding provided by the City Commission through the Micro Mover Pilot Program. The rideshare service, which is free to use, can be used to escort riders to the best hot spots for food, shopping, and fun all around Fort Lauderdale.

The highest volume drop-off locations are at the Brightline station, the beach, Las Olas Boulevard, as well as local hotels, restaurants and more. Since being introduced to the area, use of Circuit’s open air electric vehicles has skyrocketed.

“We’re going to do over 20,000 riders this month alone,” Bagley said about March.

Yet, one of Circuit’s other unique features is that unlike Uber and Lyft, whose drivers are 1099 contractors, Circuit’s drivers are employees of the company. “Our drivers are all employees. Also, because we hire locally, they’re familiar with the area and they get to build relationships with the residents and know all the hotel workers and business owners,” he said.

Currently, Circuit is only available in Downtown as well as neighborhoods in the north west with their recent expansion.

However, they are hopeful to expand farther south.

“We’ve had a ton of requests every time the city puts out a post on social media to expand to more neighborhoods which is a great sign,” Bagley said. “What is limiting us currently is our fleet size and being able to serve customers without having our wait times go way up. However, we are talking with the City about ways we can expand whether that’s larger capacity vehicles that could go between zones or vehicles with longer battery range that can go longer distances quicker.”

Circuit is available in Fort Lauderdale starting at 6:30 a.m. for Brightline passengers only and then from 10 a.m. to 11 p.m. for all other passengers seven days a week which can all be found on their app.

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A TALE OF TWO CITIES

TAKING A LOOK AT FORT LAUDERDALE AND SAN DIEGO

Recently, I had the good fortune of travelling to San Diego with more than 100 business and government leaders through the Greater Fort Lauderdale Alliance to study that city — what they are doing right and sharing best practices. What I found was a mixed bag.

I had not been to southern California in over 30 years. I recalled San Diego had many positive assets. My visit revealed positive aspects and a few glaring concerns.

Let's get the biggest two concerns out of the way — housing and homelessness. San Diego had a Housing Affordability Index (HAI) of 77.3, according to the National Association of Realtors. The Broward County MSA was slightly more affordable at 96.7. The HAI measures whether a typical family earns enough income to qualify for a mortgage loan on a typical home. Anything below 100 does not qualify.

To address the affordability issues, San Diegans have been taking up residency in nearby Tijuana, Mexico. We hear so much about flight from Mexico to the United States but very little about a reverse migration which has quietly been gaining steam.

Consumer prices are 62 percent lower in Tijuana than in San Diego. Comparable living standards that hit \$6,600 per month in San Diego come it at \$2,500 in Tijuana. Rents in Tijuana fall between \$400 and \$1,000 per month.

These tradeoffs come with a price — crime, air standards, traffic, and border crossing delays to name but four. Without expedited credentials, crossing the border to the United States for the 20-mile commute could take anywhere from two to four hours. Sounds like remote work to me.

Then there is the burgeoning homeless population, especially downtown. The latest homeless census reveals that there are 8,427 homeless individuals in San Diego among a population of 3.2 million. In comparison, Broward County has 2,054 homeless individuals among a population of 1.9 million. The difference was the visual aspect of San Diego's homeless population. We are doing a much better job. Not that we don't allow homelessness on the streets. I just feel we address rapid rehousing and wrap-around services better.

Other items I found of interest: naval base within the harbor; decent mass transit options — both light rail and rail; Petco Park downtown stadium — home to San Diego Padres baseball; 42,400 acres of parkland with 27,109 open space; 210 miles of multi-use trails; and 9,314 acres of regional use parks.

Overall, I rank livability in San Diego County below Broward County for the preceding reasons. That being said, we can learn from southern California's challenges and opportunities and make our livability even better. [60](#)



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A RIVER RUNS THROUGH IT

OUR WATERWAYS CONNECT US IN OUR ECONOMY AND WAY OF LIFE

When anyone asks what Downtown Fort Lauderdale means to us at the Marine Industries Association of South Florida (MIASF), our answer isn't a surprise. The city and its vast connected waterways are the lifeblood of the industry we love, support and represent.

Every year, our city welcomes yachts of all sizes from every corner of the globe. These vessels, and the people on board, bring an incredible financial contribution to our city's economy during their seasonal stays in our harbors and marinas. From boat service to provisioning to the bars and restaurants that entertain owners, guests, and crew, the marine industry is an MVP of Fort Lauderdale's robust economic engine.

But when summer rolls around and the big boats head elsewhere, Fort Lauderdale transforms into another kind of paradise — the ultimate staycation destination for locals. The waterways no longer resemble I-95 at rush hour, and the ocean warms up and becomes tranquil. These conditions beckon residents with boats of all sizes to cast off their lines and enjoy the best of our city and surrounding areas. It's also the time when hard working marine industry employees enjoy a much-needed break after a busy winter season.

May through August are the sweet spot between crowds of seasonal visitors and the onset of hurricane season. It's during these balmy, summer months when the traditional migrations to the islands of The Bahamas happen. Whether it's an casual flotilla of friends or an official fling, taking the

aquatic equivalent of a summer road trip east is a tradition many south Floridians wait for all year.

The Bahamas' proximity to Fort Lauderdale is one of our region's biggest natural assets. And when the warm months roll around, the Gulf Stream relaxes and makes the short trip enjoyable.

But it isn't just about getting there. The journey to and from is fun, too. Weed lines along the way are an open invitation to cast a line, chill out for a time, and maybe even catch that evening's dinner.

Whether it is Bimini and the Abacos for sport fishing, Grand Bahama for nightlife and the glam of Paradise Island, or the Exumas for a rugged, natural adventure, hopping across the gulf stream by boat is the ultimate Florida staycation. There's nothing quite like it anywhere else in the world.

Of course, it isn't always about fun. The Bahamas proximity by boat is also valuable when natural disasters strike. After Hurricane Dorian slammed the island chain as a Category 5 storm, South Floridians united to deliver aid boats packed with medical personnel, life-saving supplies, and construction materials to help devastated islanders recover and rebuild. MIASF joined in the tens of thousands of other locals in these efforts.


It is this unity in good times and bad that ties The Bahamas and South Florida together. Our relationship is special. It is also why so many locals choose to stick close to home each summer and enjoy the natural beauty all around. 



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RECOGNIZING THE GROWTH OF DOWNTOWN FORT LAUDERDALE

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The City of Fort Lauderdale has grown and changed in recent years. However, what we see today is vastly different from when it was first established more than 100 years ago. In fact, much of the design of Fort Lauderdale is thanks to the area's first ever city planner, Richard Schermerhorn Jr. According to Broward Legacy, the New York engineer and landscape architect was brought on in 1926 to help develop a plan for the city to address many of today's same concerns – traffic, zoning, annexation, recreational facilities, and beautification. Schermerhorn Jr. was even behind the design and execution of what we know today as the Riverwalk.

“The decisions made early on really set the tone for the benefits that we all get to enjoy today,” said Jenni Morejon, president and CEO of Fort Lauderdale Downtown Development Authority.

With that initial plan in place, Schermerhorn Jr. set future Fort Lauderdale planners up for success to continue to cultivate this prosperous city. However, as the city has continued to grow from what was once a small downtown of only 17,000 people to the now whopping 181,668, much of today's planning has also had to adapt to the current landscape.

Today, the city is a booming metropolis with a vibrant nightlife, diverse cultural scene, and an all-encompassing hospitality industry but that wasn't always the case.

“Growing up here, it was just a couple of office buildings in Downtown and there was really nothing to do after five o'clock, so everybody got in their cars and drove back out to the suburbs,” said Bob Swindell, president and CEO of Greater Fort Lauderdale Alliance.

Thanks to some ingenuity and clever planning done by those in local government and city planning, they developed an overarching plan for Fort Lauderdale's future.

“Much of the big plans we had for Fort Lauderdale are outlined in our various master plans which go back to the late 90s and early 2000s,” said Anthony Fajardo, assistant city manager for the City of Fort Lauderdale. “There was a grassroots effort to see what can be done in certain parts of the city in need of redevelopment. Then, based on that, the city started working on developing master plans that have been really successful.”

Some of the plans for the city, in particular, that have come to fruition have been reaching a downtown density goal which they achieved last year as well as developing a thriving and successful downtown.



ANTHONY FAJARDO
Assistant City Manager, City of Fort Lauderdale

“Much of the big plans we had for Fort Lauderdale are outlined in our various master plans which go back to the late 90s and early 2000s.”



JENNI MOREJON
President and CEO of Fort Lauderdale Downtown
Development Authority

“Some of our biggest successes have been activating the Riverwalk with commercial development.”

“In order to be a well-rounded city, we needed a thriving downtown which in turn drives tourism and I think we have accomplished that,” said Fajardo. Part of their success with this could not have been achieved without the commercial prosperity of the Riverwalk.

Since the city’s first planner came up with designs for the riverfront, Fort Lauderdale has greatly expanded on those initial ideas.

“Some of our biggest successes have been activating the Riverwalk with commercial development,” Morejon said. “Back in the mid 2000s, we created a series of plans, most notably the New River master plan which was all about getting private development to put commercial properties like retail and restaurants along the Riverwalk.


“Now, instead of the Riverwalk being just a pathway with a bunch of condominiums or apartments, there’s so much to see and do and it paved the way for a more interesting experience along the riverfront.”

Aside from the overall success the city has had with previous planning for Fort Lauderdale, that doesn’t mean there isn’t room for improvement. In particular, one way they hope to accomplish this is by investing more in

affordable housing which is something Fajardo hopes to actively work toward.

“Our biggest challenge right now that I think we’re going to be grappling with for several years is affordable housing. We’ve got a lot of plans in place so the groundwork to see these areas redeveloped and move forward is there, but I think that’s going to be something that we really need to buckle down and focus on,” he said.

Even though larger scale projects like affordable housing will take time to accomplish, fortunately, there are projects in the works that will be a glowing example of the progress being made in the city.

“We’re completely transforming Huizenga Park. It’s a park that was designed to draw people into downtown when no one was really living here. However, now with many more people here, we realized that we need to transform it into an urban public park that can be used by everyone every day,” said Morejon. With that, the DDA is in the process of making a \$15 million investment to transform the park with construction projected to begin this year. The park is set to open to the public in 2024 and will soon be yet another example of Fort Lauderdale’s bright future. 



BOB SWINDELL
President and CEO of Greater Fort Lauderdale Alliance

“Growing up here, it was just a couple of office buildings in Downtown.”



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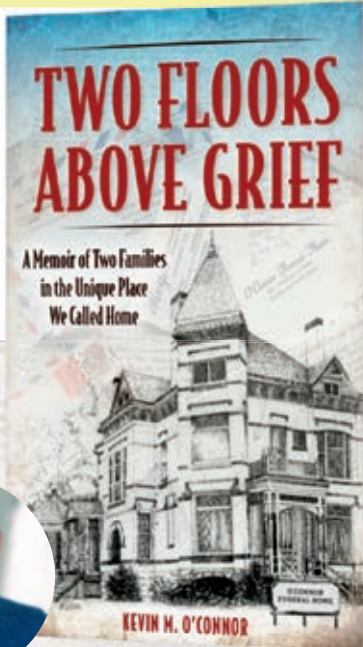
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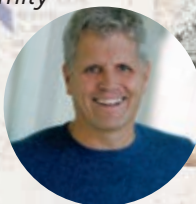
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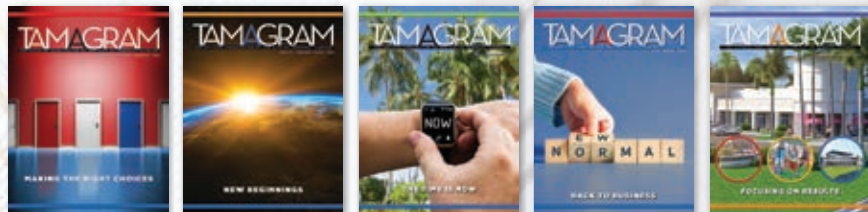
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Tulio's Tacos and Tequila Bar

Born and raised in El Salvador, Tulio (left) is pictured with partner Brian Parenteau (right) left behind his parents and 10 siblings for an opportunity to help provide for his family. He started his culinary career as a dishwasher and discovered a passion and desire to learn more and grow.

As a self-taught chef he has had the pleasure of working in kitchens for The Cheesecake Factory, J. Alexanders, Seasons 52, Grille 401, and Beach House Pompano. Making his debut as a chef with Tulio's Taco, he focuses his offerings on small plates with big taste and is known for his Latin/Mexican inspired dishes.

We tasted Tulio's Steak, Shrimp & Chicken Nachos and Chicken Lettuce Wraps with a Cadillac Margarita and Prickly Pear Margarita. We recommend the Birria Tacos, slowly cooked braised short ribs stuffed into three seared corn tortillas with melted cheese, onion, cilantro with a bowl of consommé for dipping



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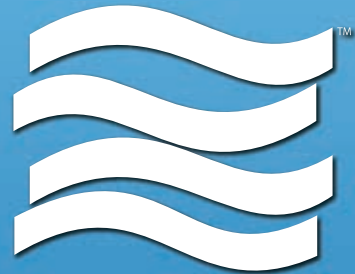


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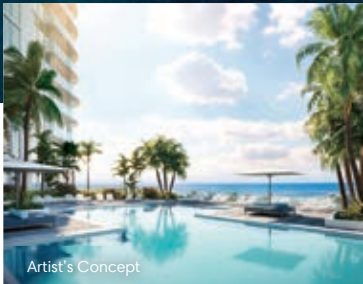
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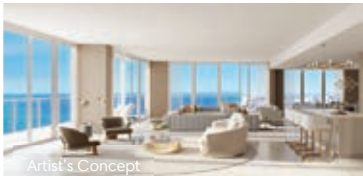
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