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In Memorium – JoAnn Smith

Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale Inc. shares the very sad news of the passing of our team member, JoAnn Smith. JoAnn provided park oversight and inspection for our team and supported many of our events and projects with her whole heart.

She has served as an icon in the community for decades and set a standard for others to strive to achieve when committing to community service. Her love of Fort Lauderdale had no boundaries. She willingly volunteered her time for the City, County and a host of private events and shared her skills. She served as the long-standing president of the Fort Lauderdale Woman's Club and served on multiple city boards over the years. She was an active member of the Citizens Volunteer Corp, CERT, COPS, Parks, Recreation and Beaches Board, and many others.

We have lost a much loved and valued team member and community servant leader.



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AUGUST 6 - 12: National Farmers Market Week

While visiting a farmers market can have a positive impact on your weekend morning, they also make an impact in providing a gathering place for our community, and play an important role in supporting small business and the local economy. Kick off the week with us on August 6, with a variety of activities, including live music, contests, giveaways and more.



AUGUST 7 - 13: National Exercise With Your Child Week

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It's no surprise that National Dog Day & Dog Month fall during National Happiness Happens Month. Afterall, who makes us happier than our four-legged friends? To celebrate, join us for our final **Movies by Moonlight** "Dog Days of Summer" movie, **The Art of Racing in the Rain** on August 25, co-sponsored by the City of Fort Lauderdale Beach Improvement District (BID).



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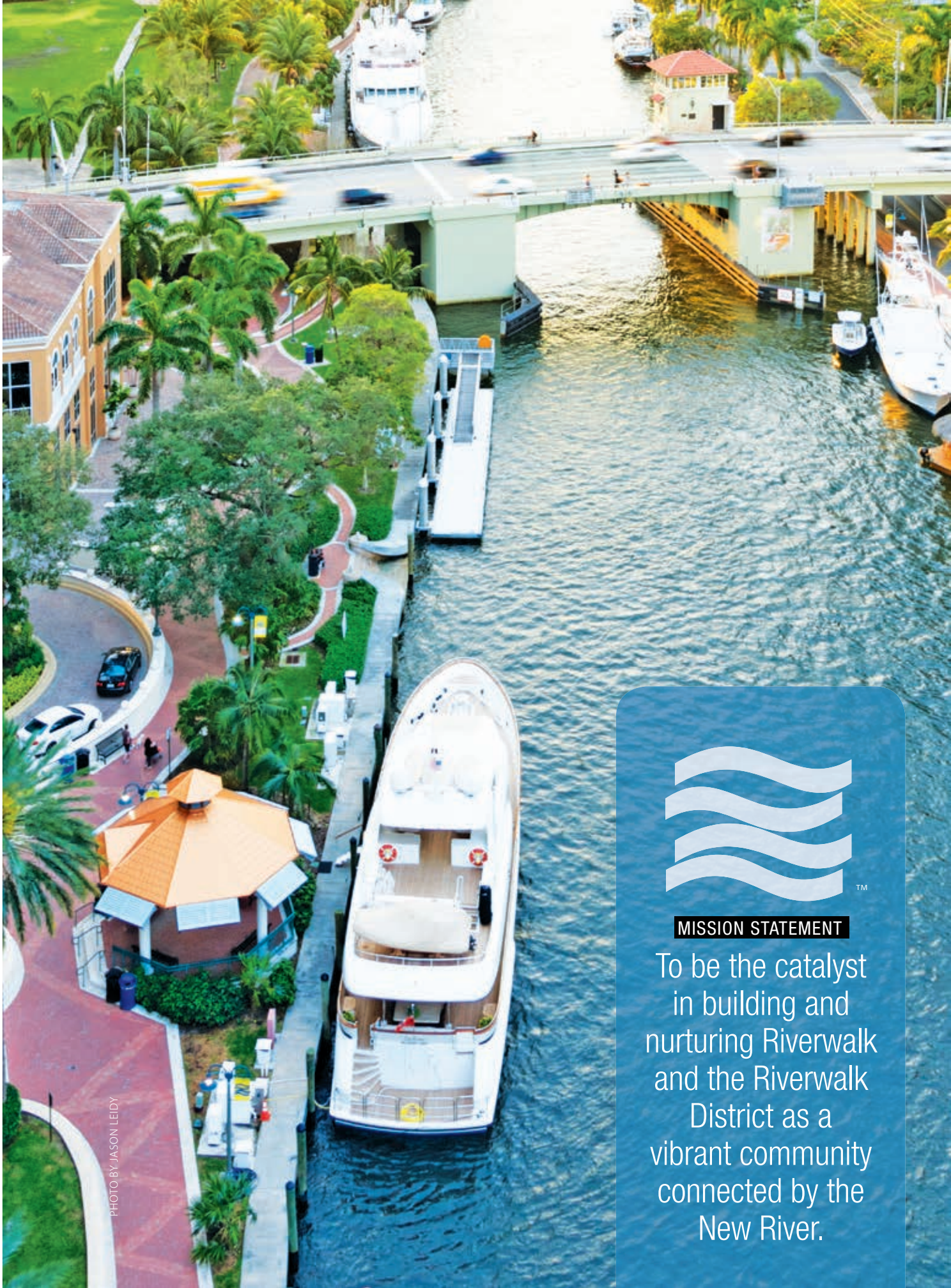
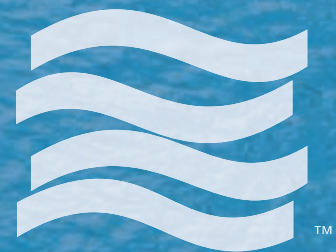


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2 BEDROOM + OFFICE 2.5 BATH

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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!

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2 BEDROOM 2 BATH

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COLUMBUS | \$1,395,000

2 BEDROOM + DEN 3 BATH

This 25th floor river facing Columbus flow thru floorplan in the Las Olas Riverhouse is over 2,400 square feet and features numerous upgrades throughout including a private elevator foyer, double door entry, and floor to ceiling glass and 2 terraces.

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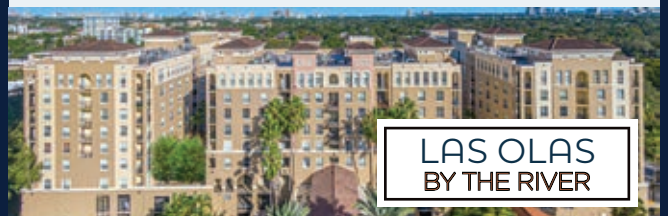
CHELSEA

2 BEDROOM 2.5 BATH

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

1 BEDROOM | \$679,000

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Stunning 2 bedroom 2 bathroom plus den! The largest floorplan in the building with over 1,615 sq. ft. featuring 10 foot ceilings, a split bedroom floor plan, a large terrace with access from both bedrooms, and floor to ceiling impact windows.

MOONGLOW | \$995,000

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.

JUST SOLD! MOONGLOW

Highly Desired 2 bedroom 2 bathroom floor plan with expansive balcony. Split bedroom floor plan features white quartz kitchen, wood floors, custom lighting and closets, and much more!

JUST LISTED SEAVIEW | \$859,000

3 bedroom, 2 bath condo with ocean and river views, plank tile floors, granite countertops, stainless appliances, and multiple balconies. Full-service building with 5-star amenities, including concierge, clubroom, business center, theater, gym, and 24-hour valet/security.

PRICE REDUCED RIVERSIDE | \$849,000

2 bedroom 2 bathroom plus den! A split bedroom floor plan, featuring 10 foot ceilings, a large terrace with access from both bedrooms, floor to ceiling impact windows and washer and dryer in the unit. Spacious kitchen with granite countertops, stainless-steel appliances, French doors to the den and 2 parking spaces are included.



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LANDING

2 BEDROOM 2 BATH | \$540,000

This upgraded, south-facing, and furnished Condo in downtown Fort Lauderdale is pet-friendly and includes 1 assigned parking space. Resort-style amenities, rooftop pool with panoramic views, a sky lounge, and more. Tenant occupied until Apr 2024.

JUST SOLD! 2 BEDROOM 2 BATH

Rare, spectacular and furnished! This river facing, highly updated residence features modern flooring, all new appliances, marble walkin showers, and more!

1 BEDROOM 1 BATH | \$444,900

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.

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A LOOK AT RIVERWALK'S ACTIVITY THROUGH THE YEARS

Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale continues to be an active and productive organization that enhances Downtown and the Riverwalk District. Listed below are some of those achievements.

- Design and installation of the Riverwalk 9/11 Monument that displays an artifact from the World Trade Center in New York City.
- Installation of a playground in Sistrunk Park with enhanced landscaping.
- Installation of five major pieces of Art in Public Spaces along the Riverwalk.
- Addition of a second 10-unit exercise station plus water fountain on the south side of the New River on Riverwalk at Smoker Park.
- Identification and implementation of the free Riverwalk Water Trolley.
- Partnered to provide a mural on the Florida Panthers at Riverwalk Center Garage
- Built and installed 20 blue recycle bins located on Riverwalk.
- Purchased and installed 15 large planters that are in the Riverwalk District
- 10 new exercise stations and water fountain on the north side of Riverwalk at Huizenga Plaza with additional playground equipment.
- Created and hosted Light Up Lauderdale (holiday decorations and lights on the Riverwalk) over the holiday season annually since 2007.
- Launched Tree Harmony, a program to increase the tree canopy on the Riverwalk utilizing the “right tree – right place” concept of improvement.
- Advocated for the Riverwalk Public Realm Plan and continues to be a primary stakeholder in that planning and implementation process.
- Launched @Riverwalk series of classes and mini events along the Riverwalk to activate the park.
- Joined in with the Downtown Development Authority and several condominiums in the Riverwalk area to hire an off-duty police officer as part of a program to evaluate the need for increased police presence.
- Implemented the Riverwalk Ambassador Program with information kiosks.
- Hosted successful Downtown events such as the Riverwalk Burger Battle, Riverwalk Get Downtown, Riverwalk Mutts and Martinis, Riverwalk Tribute, Riverwalk Stone Crab and Seafood Festival, Boat

- Show Kick Off, Rocktoberfest, and partnered in Bus Loop, Food Truck rally to continue activation. We also host Membership and Power Mixers and many other sponsored events throughout the year.
- Created an information packed, downtown-centric, lifestyle-oriented magazine, *Go Riverwalk*, that Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale continues to publish at no cost to our readers and covering all of Fort Lauderdale! Celebrating 20 years!
- Our GClub Team secured a matching grant from the City of Fort Lauderdale to provide for a potted plant enhancement project along the Riverwalk Park.
- Provided a colorful banner sponsorship program along Riverwalk Park.
- Manage more than 85,000 etched bricks along the linear walkway.
- Assumed ownership, renovations, and oversight of the historic Shippey House and its activations.
- Installed a carillon clock on Riverwalk along with benches and other monuments denoting individuals and special historic happenings.
- Celebrating 35-plus years of serving our Downtown Fort Lauderdale community, continuing to support and advocate for the growth and enhancement of Riverwalk Linear Park and the Riverwalk District.

Riverwalk partners with a large number of event hosts to offer unique events and activities Downtown. We continue to engage with the community to understand the desires and needs of that public.


Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale oversees a three-square mile area known as the Riverwalk District which includes the 2 1/2-mile linear walk along the New River on the north and south side and includes 10 additional parks located in the Riverwalk District. 



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Call to artists to celebrate Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale's 35th Anniversary

Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale celebrates its 35th anniversary in 2023, and to mark the occasion, Riverwalk invites artists to share their view of the Riverwalk.

Two-dimensional and three-dimensional artwork of all mediums are invited to participate in the competition, including but not limited to watercolor, oil, sculpture, photography, charcoal, mixed media, drawing and gouache. The winning artwork will grace the cover of a future issue of Go Riverwalk Magazine.

SUBMIT ORIGINAL ARTWORK BY OCT. 1, 2023 TO:

Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale

888 E. Las Olas Blvd., Suite 201
Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33301

The artwork must depict Fort Lauderdale's Riverwalk.

The competition will be judged by a local juried panel. The winner will be notified in October and will be required to be photographed and interviewed for a story in Go Riverwalk Magazine.

EACH SUBMISSION MUST HAVE ATTACHED TO THE ARTWORK:

- Title of artwork
- Full name of artist
- Address of artist
(street address, city, state, ZIP code)
- Email address
- Daytime/cell phone number

“Riverwalk has celebrated notable anniversaries in the past by asking artists to share their depictions of Riverwalk,” says Genia Duncan Ellis, President/CEO of Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale. “We want to help celebrate our organization’s 35th anniversary in a similar way this year.”

The Riverwalk is a 2.5-mile brick walk on both sides of the New River, meandering through Downtown Fort Lauderdale. The Downtown Riverwalk District includes 10 parks as well as a lush tropical waterfront in the downtown center of an urban metropolis.

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THE HISTORY OF THE RIVERWALK

THE SECRETS TO THE SUCCESS OF OUR REGIONAL PARK

The first step to success is planning and being a stakeholder in that process. A quote from the Sun-Sentinel written in 1986 indicated the importance the City placed on the development of the Riverwalk in the revitalization of Downtown.

A general obligation bond in the amount of \$7.4 million was initiated for the design, development and implementation of the Riverwalk Plan and has since generated billions of dollars in investment enhancing the waterfront experience for the public and spurring economic development and growth.

Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale has its origin with the City of Fort Lauderdale. In December 1988, only three years after securing funding for a linear public park along the New River, the City established **Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale** to facilitate the design as well as develop fundraising and advocacy efforts. Since its launch, Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale has played a significant role in obtaining a “**regional park**” designation from Broward County; guiding redevelopment and park expansion efforts; and contributing to the three most recent City plans for enhancing the Downtown core.

Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale works closely with the City, the County, the Fort Lauderdale Downtown Development Authority, and other important partners in the public and private sectors in overseeing the development, activation and growth for our linear park and downtown Riverwalk District. It is through these partnerships that we work to produce events and activities benefiting the park and the City. Oversight of infrastructure, park needs, and improvement and activations are key to the growth of Downtown. These events and activities have made Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale an invested participant in the growth of Fort Lauderdale and the Riverwalk District in Downtown.

Esplanade Park, located across from the Museum of Discovery and Science, was completed in the early 1990s. This addition turned a blighted riverfront into a scenic waterfront destination as one the first steps in reclaiming Downtown. As was the intention, additional greenspace was acquired and developed in the urban core giving Downtown Fort Lauderdale a unique look and feel. To further enhance the Downtown experience, shade was a key to the enjoyment of outdoor use in a subtropical environment.

Connectivity has created a sense of place, a connection to history, culture and community connected by a waterfront experience. Riverwalk celebrates the maritime heritage of Fort Lauderdale and the economic engine it provides for the community. It created a pedestrian experience that follows the water’s edge and draws the community to the

water for commerce, entertainment, passive enjoyment, and a variety of other urban core offerings.

Riverwalk also included acquired additional park/green space in Downtown within the Riverwalk District, and all those areas have prospered and achieved the goals set out for an urban downtown.


The New River was one of the sources of transportation and trade in the early days and continues as a commercial corridor for the marine industries. There are many stops along the New River Downtown for the free Riverwalk Water Trolley and the Fort Lauderdale Water Taxi totaling more than 1.6 million people being moved by river transportation.

Among some of the first directives by the city was the inclusion to assist in the revitalization of Downtown, urban waterfront redevelopment and community building – all daunting tasks in those days. The public policy and direction from the City Commission was to reclaim the historic public waterfront as park land, encourage investment and assist in building a unique downtown of mixed uses as a community.

Based on the Downtown Master Plan, Riverwalk Master Plan and other plans implemented to enhance redevelopment, quality design from experienced firms led to the plan that is today. Included in the design for the pedestrian walkway were guidelines for the riverfront development and abutting properties.

Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale is a **charitable nonprofit 501(c)(3)** organization responsible for the **planning, programming, beautification, and promotion** of Riverwalk District Parks. We are composed primarily of **volunteer private** citizens and overseen by a board of directors. All members uphold the organization’s directive, as stated in its mission statement: “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 Riverwalk District through our **website** and **GoRiverwalk Magazine** and **social media**.

Celebrating over 35 years, Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale continues to do a tremendous amount of work to heighten the profile of the linear park and our Downtown. We continue to partner with all of the **stakeholders** in the area and the City of Fort Lauderdale to improve the park features for our community. 





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RIVERWALK MEMBERSHIP



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➊ I have been a global corporate real estate professional for more than 25 years. This career has literally taken me around the world. It has afforded me the privilege of experiencing some truly amazing people and cultures. For most of those 25 years, my family and I have called Broward County home. Both of our children graduated from Fort Lauderdale High School and are attending college in Florida. A cornerstone of our family values has always been volunteering in our communities. My wife Lanie Verret and I have volunteered for civic, preservation and arts-related programs to enrich our local community. Our children were involved early on in local events giving back to their community.

We moved to Las Olas about two years ago. We had obviously seen the transformation over the years and knew it was where we wanted to be. Shortly after settling in, we were introduced to the very talented Riverwalk team and knew it was the opportunity to get involved. We are fans and supporters of what they have been able to accomplish and encourage more of our community to get involved and show support for this worthy organization.



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AMANDA COLEMAN

THE HUNGRY DUTCHMAN

➋ Originally from Ohio, boat life was always a part of my family. Growing up on Lake Erie and having boats since I was a young child grew my love for the water. After graduating from Kent State University with a degree in hospitality management, I moved to the Cleveland area and began my corporate career as the director of food and beverage in hotels. After eight years, I accepted a position as an assistant hotel manager for a cruise company specializing in small ships and river vessels. This is where I met Nico Suarez, my first partner of The Hungry Dutchman. We became best friends and loved creating memorable experiences for our guests. After cruise ships, I moved to South Florida where I got a job at Water Taxi as a mate. There I met my second partner, Michael Angulo. He and I clicked instantly because of our love for boats, water and adventure.

Together we created The Hungry Dutchman, a food boat – yes, a food boat – that travels through the Intracoastal Waterway and anchors at local sandbars in Fort Lauderdale and Lake Boca. All of us share one goal: to create a quality experience on the water for tourists and South Florida locals.

I joined Riverwalk because of its community and link between land life and the maritime industry. Come enjoy a memorable experience on the water or even a private event at your personal dock with our fresh, delicious food. See you on the water!

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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BEER TASTING DINNER EXPERIENCE AT FUNKY BUDDHA BREWERY

On June 21, Riverwalk members had an unforgettable Beer Tasting Dinner Experience at Funky Buddha Brewery. Craft beers were carefully paired with five courses showcasing the diversity of styles and flavors of this homegrown gem. Thank you to Chef Jeff Vincent and the Funky Buddha Team for a great evening of amazing food, brews and fun.



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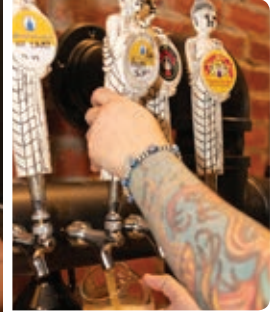
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The unveiling of a Funky Buddha commissioned painting by muralist Marcus Borges



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Membership has its privileges. On June 29, Riverwalk board and trustee members were invited for a behind-the-scenes tour of the new Florida Panthers War Memorial and Baptist Health Ice Plex. Thank you to Hollywood Donuts Las Olas and Wells Coffee Flager Village for providing breakfast and Centuric Technologies for our hard hats.



Alice Harry and Ed Murphy



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A BUSY SUMMER

FROM STORM CLEANUP TO INFRASTRUCTURE, COMMUNITY COMES TOGETHER

On April 12, Fort Lauderdale took a direct hit from a storm that dropped a record-breaking 26-inches of rain within five hours, directly into the heart of District 4. Our City’s police, fire and emergency operations were immediately activated, and more than 600 residents were evacuated that night alone. My entire staff and I worked throughout the night with city management, neighborhood leaders and volunteer organizations.

By 5 a.m., Red Cross set up a reunification center at the Winn Dixie in Edgewood, and by 11 a.m., our first shelter was set up in Holiday Park. Over the next several weeks, our staff, city leaders, and leaders from the civic, volunteer and business community came together with one goal — to serve those affected by the storm.

While our hearts go out to those devastated by the storm, I could not be any prouder of how our community came together in times of need. (Note: to assist property owners affected by the storm, the City Commission unanimously agreed to temporarily waive certain permitting fees for flood-related repairs.)

Six-month checkup

Summer has arrived, and our team has accomplished a lot in our first six months.

Infrastructure has been a big priority. Our new water treatment plant will provide clean, clear water for the community. This state-of-the-art facility will be among the first in the county able to comply with new Environmental Protection Agency regulations coming down. Stormwater projects are also well underway in the southern part of our City, and we are planning for the next phases to follow.

Our City’s transportation needs are well represented, with Mayor Dean Trantalis and me serving on the Broward County MPO. The 17th Street bypass road plans are moving along. LauderGo! Micro Mover, which uses Circuit to provide free local rides within Downtown and the beach, will be expanding into the western part of our city, the Galt Mile, and southward to include a huge part of District 4 south of the New River.

I want to thank all my friends and neighbors for allowing me to represent District 4 and serve the entire City of Fort Lauderdale. Have a safe and fun summer. 🌞



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BY KAREN WARFEL
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ON TRACK FOR IMPROVED SAFETY

WORKING TO PROTECT OUR ROADWAYS

As rail travel continues to grow in our region, the importance of balancing the safety of all modes continues to be needed. From the Brightline service that will soon provide access to Orlando to the future Broward Commuter Rail providing commuter service on the Florida East Coast Railway, many efforts have already been made to improve safety. But there is much more that will be accomplished soon.

In conjunction with the Brightline service coming to the region several years ago, the cities along the Florida East Coast Railway worked together under the leadership of the Broward Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) to submit the required documentation to qualify for a Quiet Zone. This designation eliminates the requirements for horn-blowing use except in cases where there are potential safety concerns along the tracks. As part of that project, a significant amount of funding was invested to complete safety measures at the many crossings in the County, including in Fort Lauderdale.

However, over the last five years, Broward County has still experienced the highest number of vehicle and intercity passenger rail incidents of any Florida county. Most of the occurrences were caused by vehicles driving around the gates at railroad crossings and getting struck by a train.

The Fort Lauderdale City Commission continues to be committed to improving safety on our roadways as well as improving traffic flow, including through new railway-related efforts. Most recently, the City was successful in receiving one of only 68 grants awarded nationwide from the U.S. Department of Transportation's Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) through their Railroad Crossing Elimination (RCE) Program, which focuses on improving safety and mobility by funding rail-grade crossing improvement projects. The City's study will focus on data related to traffic, delays, and interactions at the crossings.

Additionally, the Broward MPO led the cities along the FEC to also receive an additional FRA RCE grant in the amount of \$15.4 million to complete construction of necessary safety improvements at railroad crossings. These improvements include fencing to prevent pedestrians from crossing at areas where it is not safe, medians, and completing the exit gates where not already installed.

As a part of the overall regional collaborative rail safety efforts, the Broward MPO also kicked off a media campaign with the slogan "Don't Risk It!" which focuses on educating drivers about the risk involved when trying to beat the trains. It's a risk that's just not worth it. The print and video ad campaign reminds people to take simple precautions such as obeying warning signals, avoiding distractions, and staying alert to prevent tragic crashes.


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BY PHILLIP DUNLAP
Director,
Broward Cultural Division



HISTORICALLY AND CULTURALLY RICH

FORT LAUDERDALE'S HISTORIC INSTITUTIONS KEEP OUR HISTORY ALIVE

Broward is home to a number of organizations that focus on historic preservation. Funding from the Cultural Division helps ensure that these important nonprofit organizations can continue their valuable work preserving our local heritage and sharing the stories of our diverse community. History Fort Lauderdale, the Historic Stranahan House, Old Dillard Museum, the Bonnet House Museum and Gardens, and Destination Sistrunk are just a few of the cultural treasures in our Fort Lauderdale community focused on these efforts.

History Fort Lauderdale, situated at the intersection of the New River and the Florida East Coast Railroad, and conveniently located along Riverwalk, stewards a campus of four buildings from the turn of the last century. In addition to historical archives, History Fort Lauderdale hosts art exhibitions and is home to six artists-in-residence on the third floor of the New River Inn building. The organization has been important in celebrating our community's LGBTQ+ population and important women pioneers through annual exhibitions like "Take PRIDE! A Retrospective of LGBTQ Life in South Florida," and "Women Trailblazers, Champions of Change."

The Historic Stranahan House is also conveniently located along Riverwalk and is Fort Lauderdale's oldest and most historically significant surviving structure. In

many ways, the City of Fort Lauderdale began when Frank Stranahan arrived here in January of 1893, building the present-day wood structure home in 1901 with the first floor as a trading post and the upper floor as a community hall. The present-day house is home to a museum that explores early life in Fort Lauderdale and plays host to many of the City's most venerable events, like the Winterfest Boat Parade.

Old Dillard Museum is listed on the National Register of Historic Places and was the first school for African-American students in Fort Lauderdale. Its very existence is a reflection of the social climate for African Americans in Fort Lauderdale in the 1920s and is a valuable resource for the preservation and telling of that history. The museum offers guided tours, films, lectures, workshops, and art exhibitions.

Destination Sistrunk Cultural Center is an initiative of the Cultural Division and the nonprofit community organization, Destination Sistrunk. Located on Sistrunk Boulevard, the Cultural Center serves as a space to elevate the voices of Black artists and creatives with programs like Spoken is the Word, Sistrunk Fashion Week, and Jazz at the Circuit.

A visit to these venues is a wonderful way to experience first-hand the history of our community. I invite you to explore. [@](#)



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YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD JEWELER

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When it comes to shopping for jewelry, long gone are the days where your jeweler not only knew the ins and outs of your favorite watch or how to get that one persnickety necklace clasp working again, but they also felt like family. In some cases, they knew you better than your closest friends. Today, all that's left are the national chains which just leave something to be desired. However, all hope is not entirely lost because one neighborhood jewelry store in Fort Lauderdale still offers that kind of friendly, familiar service many of us long for.

It all started when Jewelry Plus owner, Pok Ho, came to the United States 35 years ago and began working in hotel catering. Yet, after a lot of time and hard work, he realized that all he ever did was work.

“He was just always working, and it got to be too much, so he looked at different activities that didn't require as much input, gave him more free time, and a chance to really connect with his customers,” said jeweler Mark Hosang, “That’s when he came up with the idea to open his own jewelry repair shop.” Before he knew it, Pok had started his own jewelry store at a local flea market before eventually settling down in its current location which is where they have been ever since.

Now, 30 years later, Pok not only has the kind of job he’s always wanted but his business has also become a family affair with his cousin, Mark and Mark’s wife, Juliette, joining the team. However, what started as simply a jewelry repair shop has bloomed into a full

jewelry store offering a variety of items as well as their bread and butter – watch repair.

“Our specialty really is in watch repair including antique watches and high-end watches including Rolex, Cartier, and Patek Phillipe which are in good hands with Mr. Pok who is also a master watchmaker,” Mark Hosang said. “He was actually taught by a Rolex professional.”

Jewelry Plus also offers new and vintage jewelry as well jewelry fabrication by their master jeweler who can design and can create anything you can imagine. If you’re not in the market for a new piece of jewelry or need a repair, however, they also offer insurance appraisal services which are done by their own staff GIA certified appraiser.

For long time customers of Jewelry Plus, the shining feature of this local spot is the passion they have for their customers.

“We have customers that have been coming here for 30 years and not only do they come back but they’re now sending their children and their grandchildren to us as well,” Hosang said. “But it’s not just because we really get to know them that we get repeat customers, it’s because that they know their most prized possessions are in good hands. In fact, we can safely say we’ve never lost anything.”

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Pok Ho, founder



Mark and Juliette Hosang

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Our hospitality sector is slowing down to more normal rates even though strong consumer sentiment exists.

Some are suggesting travelers, both domestic and international, may be experiencing Florida fatigue. Others feel rate increases by the Federal Reserve may be having a chilling impact on consumer spending coupled with inflationary price hikes.

Spending was strong throughout the first and beginning of the second quarters, but we began to see a slowdown in late April leading into the summer months.

Consumer confidence remained strong in the face of overall decreases in real year-over-year spending, according to McKinsey & Company. It reported 36 percent of U.S. consumers expect a quick economic rebound. McKinsey reported an intent to spend but that has not translated into real activity.

Our local numbers: we have more than 36,000 rooms in Broward County at more than 560 properties, according to Visit Fort Lauderdale. We are currently under construction for an 801-room headquarters hotel adjacent to the Convention Center at Port Everglades, and we have many new properties in the pipeline making our destination

competitive with major cities in the United States.

Dining and entertainment continue to expand, too, with more than 4,000 wining and dining establishments and 132 nightclubs, Greater Fort Lauderdale is drawing more attention throughout the region and beyond.


This year we peaked with \$16.172 million in tourist development tax (TDT) revenues. Last year we collected \$126.75 million in TDT dollars. Just to give you a point of reference, I was happy with \$60 million ten years ago — marked improvement.

Room rates are trending down as expected with decreasing demand. This is typical of the summer months through September. Things will pick up in October and through the second quarter of 2024.

Airport traffic at Fort Lauderdale-Hollywood International Airport (FLL) has been off through May with 15.2 million passengers (down 4.9 percent). Domestic passenger volume was down 8.3 percent while international activity jumped 10 percent for the period.

Not surprisingly, Port Everglades cruise volume was up 67.8 percent from the previous year. Later this year we will open a new Disney Cruise Line terminal as we continue to enhance our fleet.

Disney Dream will sail from Port Everglades to Castaway Cay in Nassau in April, and Disney Magic will sail from Port Everglades to its Lighthouse beach retreat on the Bahamian island of Eleuthera in June.

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BY PHIL PURCELL

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Writer Liz Wegerer



STEERING THE WATERS

HOW FORT LAUDERDALE'S FAMILY-RUN MARINE BUSINESSES KEEP OUR HISTORY ALIVE

Fort Lauderdale was not always known as the yachting capital of the world. The title was earned through decades of hard work, grit and determination by the businesses that support the boating lifestyle.

Most of the marine businesses you see today – from marinas to parts suppliers to skilled trade shops – have been part of the Fort Lauderdale yachting environment since its start. A great number of these businesses have been owned and operated by multiple generations of the same families. The idea of “keeping it in the family” is what makes the Fort Lauderdale yachting community unique.

Two local businesses now into the third generation of family leadership are Ward’s Marine Electric Inc. and Lauderdale Marina. Each has been a local presence for decades and are both founding members of the Marine Industries Association of South Florida.

Ward’s Marine Electric Inc. was started in 1950 by Ward Eshleman Sr., a boat lover with electrical system expertise. After World War II ended, Ward opened the original business in his Fort Lauderdale home’s garage.

Over the next 70-plus years, Ward’s Marine was led by Ward’s son, William Ward Eshleman II, and Ward Jr.’s wife Gertrude after him. In 1991 their son, William Ward Eshleman III, joined the team and their daughter, Kristina Hebert, took the reins as CEO in 2021. Throughout the years, countless members of the Eshleman family have held – and continue to hold — various leadership positions in the company. The fourth generation started working there in

2016.

Keeping it in the family has its benefits. As Kristina notes, “Working together means our family enjoys the same work and holiday schedule, making it easy for us to enjoy spending time together. We also grew up together, generation by generation, and have faced the same challenges together, like Covid-19. Everyone that works here, whether family or not, is a tight-knit team, helping and supporting each other. You can’t always find that in a company.”

Lauderdale Marina is another familiar sight on the Fort Lauderdale yachting landscape. Founded in 1948 by Bob Cox, the company has enjoyed generational leadership since then. John Clark, Bob’s stepson, was president from 1987 to 2009, followed by Ted Drum, Bob’s son-in-law, from 2009 to 2019. Scott Clark, Bob’s grandson, took over as president in 2019 and continues in that position. Other family members, including William Clark and Kelly Drum, have also been part of Lauderdale Marina’s growth over the years.

Working as part of a multi-generational family business offers unique perspectives. As current president, Scott Clark, says, “One of the best parts of working with family is being able to carry on my grandfather Bob’s legacy through the decades. We work together to supply marine-related services to new and multi-generational customers, too. It is a rewarding thing to be part of.”

To be sure, there are other marine industry businesses in Fort Lauderdale that have been kept in the family over the years. Lauderdale Propeller Service is currently in its second generation of leadership. Denison Yachting/Broward Marine is enjoying its third generation at the helm. Frank and Jimmie’s Propeller is ready to enter its third generation of leadership when daughter, Christy, takes over in the coming years. All are also founding members of the MIAASF.


And, of course, no article like this would be complete without mentioning the most iconic family-held marine business of all. Since 1935, the Jungle Queen has been plying local waters and treating guests to a one-of-a-kind experience. Mike Faber carries on the Queen’s legacy, and current and future generations are grateful to be introduced to this distinctly Fort Lauderdale experience. 



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BY MARTY KIAR
Property Appraiser
Broward County



PROPERTY UPDATES

LOOK FOR TRIM NOTICES IN AUGUST

2023 TRIM Notices

The Broward County Property Appraiser’s Office mails the TRIM (proposed tax) notices in August of each year. This is NOT a tax bill but shows your property’s 2023 Just/Market Value, exemptions, and proposed taxes as set by the various taxing authorities. The TRIM notice is your opportunity to review your 2023 Just Value and ensure you are receiving all the tax-saving exemptions you are eligible for.

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The Property Appraiser’s Office does not set or collect property taxes. If you have questions about the proposed tax rates, the contact information and public hearing dates for the individual taxing authorities are listed to the right of each agency name on the TRIM Notice.

I Recently Applied for Homestead Exemption – Why Is It Not Showing on My TRIM Notice?

Florida Statutes require our office use January 1 as the date of assessment and to determine exemption eligibility each year. If you purchased your home after January 1, 2023, you are eligible for 2024 Homestead Exemption. The 2024 exemptions will show online in December and be included for the 2024 tax year.

I Had Homestead Exemption Last Year – Where Did My Exemptions Go This Year?

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LESSONS FROM THE PAST

RECOGNIZING THE HISTORICAL HOMES IN FORT LAUDERDALE

WRITER MADELAINE K. BOYER

Fort Lauderdale is a city rich with history spanning all the way back to about 4,000 years ago when the first group of people, the indigenous Tequesta tribe, called this area home.

Fast forward to the 1700s, where we see European settlers looking for a new place to call home immigrate to what was once believed to be the new world. Yet, it wasn't until the early 1900s that the first inklings of a small city finally emerged after being heralded by the founding families of Fort Lauderdale. These families came to what was once marshland untouched by man and before long put down roots, started businesses, and grew the community to become what we now recognize as modern-day Fort Lauderdale. From Stranahan and Shippey to Bartlett and Birch, these families made an indelible mark on the founding of this great city.

Without their contributions made over a 120 years ago, Fort Lauderdale would not be what it is today. "I think the ability to understand the local history and that connection to the past provides some additional interest to the city," said Trisha Logan, Historic Preservation Board liaison. "By understanding our history, it provides a foundation and an overall understanding to how the city became what it is today."

The city has made it a priority to not only preserve Fort Lauderdale's historical landmarks but recognize their historical importance and how they shaped Fort Lauderdale's future. Today, the Fort Lauderdale Historical Preservation Society maintains many notable locations from our past. From the Stranahan and Bonnet Houses to History Fort Lauderdale and the Fort Lauderdale Woman's Club, these are some of the city's most recognizable and prominent historical properties.

History Fort Lauderdale

Director: Patricia Zeiler, Executive director

Open to the public? Yes

Year built: 1905

Website: www.historyfortlauderdale.org

History Fort Lauderdale, formerly Fort Lauderdale Historical Society, is comprised of six buildings with its oldest built in 1905. However, there are three main buildings worth noting. The history museum is housed in Broward County's oldest hotel, the New River Inn and has exhibits on archaeology, Seminole culture, fashion and military history. The 1907 Pioneer House Museum, which was constructed of local pine and salvaged ship timbers by Ed King, showcases

furnishings, clothing, antique doll and toy collections from the time period. Lastly, the schoolhouse museum circa 1899 is a replica of the area's first school where Fort Lauderdale's first teacher, Ivy Cromartie Stranahan, taught.

Little-known fact: "We like to think of the New River Inn as the birthplace of Broward County. Before the building became an inn, it was first home to Nathaniel Bryan and his family. Then in the early 1910s, his son, Tom Bryan, ushered in the incorporation of Fort Lauderdale by negotiating the attainment of land from Dade County and Palm Beach County to create Broward County in 1915."

– Patricia Zeiler, executive director of History Fort Lauderdale



Stranahan House

Director: Jennifer Belt, Executive director

Open to the public? Yes

Year built: 1901

Website: www.stranahanhouse.org

The Stranahan House is Broward County's oldest surviving structure and was home to Frank and Ivy Stranahan who are often referred to as the "Founding Father" and "First Lady" of Fort Lauderdale. Prior to becoming a home for the Stranahans, the building also served as a community center with a trading post often used by the Seminoles, community hall, post office, general store, and even a bank. Then in 1984, the house was restored by the Fort Lauderdale Historical Society and the Fort Lauderdale Board of Realtors and opened to the public as a historic house museum.

Little-known fact: "When the house was built in 1901, the only set of stairs were outside. The first floor was the trading post which was Frank's main business and where they lived at the time, but the second floor of the house was used as the community center. So, the interior stairwell wasn't actually installed inside the home until 1916 when they started using the entire building as their home."

– Jennifer Belt, executive director of Stranahan House



Fort Lauderdale Woman's Club

Director: JoAnn Smith, President

Open to the public? Yes

Year built: 1916

Website: www.fortlauderdalewomansclub.org

The Fort Lauderdale Woman's Club was founded on Jan. 11, 1911, with 18 members and predated the incorporation of the city itself by two and a half months. In 1916, the club's president Ivy Stranahan along with her husband, Frank, donated a plot of land where their official clubhouse was finally constructed. Designed by architect August Geiger, it was through his vision and delivery that the building qualified for registration on the National Register of Historic Places. Throughout its history, the organization and building served as Fort Lauderdale's first library, volunteer fire department, newspaper, and Red Cross headquarters.

Little-known fact: "There is a reason for the name. Every individual woman is important to assure unity. That is why it's Woman not women. Any time that you come here — you know that you always will be important."

– Genia Duncan Ellis, president and CEO of Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale



Bonnet House

Director: Linda Schaller, Director of education and volunteer programs

Open to the public? Yes

Year built: 1920

Website: www.bonnethouse.org

Bonnet House was originally purchased by Hugh Taylor Birch in 1895 before he gifted the property to his daughter, Helen, and her husband, Chicago artist Frederic Clay Bartlett as a wedding gift in 1919. The newlyweds began construction of Bonnet House in 1920 until Helen died of breast cancer only five years later. The house sat empty for many years following her passing until Frederick married Evelyn Fortune Lilly. With this marriage, a renaissance occurred at Bonnet House with the couple visiting the home often and spending many years embellishing the house with the decorative elements that visitors enjoy to this day.



Little-known fact: “Frederick Bartlett was a professional artist for most of his life. However, by the 1930s, he retired because he had gotten cataract surgery. So, when he moved to the Bonnet House full time with Evelyn, even though his eyesight wasn’t the best, he had a ball decorating the home and painting murals throughout. The last painting he did was the music room floor.”

– Linda Schaller, director of education and volunteer programs for Bonnet House

THEMATIC DISTRICTS: A NEW WAY TO PRESERVE OUR HISTORY

With a city overflowing with history, it is imperative to preserve Fort Lauderdale’s many historical landmarks, homes, and neighborhoods and the Historic Preservation Board does just that. “The Historic Preservation Board provides us an opportunity to recognize and preserve our built environment. It is important for the community to maintain these properties as a way to recognize and preserve our city’s history for us to appreciate now and for years to come,” said Trisha Logan, Historic Preservation Board liaison.

Through the board, members review applications to designate architecturally worthy buildings and districts as well as any exterior alterations done to buildings within historic districts to retain the appearance of their original designs. However, in December of 2022, the board voted to designate a thematic district within the City which would offer expanded options for historic properties that don’t quite fit within their current regulations.

“Thematic districts are slightly different than the traditional historic district in the fact that the buildings don’t have to be contiguous, they don’t have to be right next door to each other,” said Logan.

In fact, cities all over the country have previously designated their own thematic historic districts. Philadelphia has a thematic district for the Carnegie Library because the library has locations spread out all over the City.

“By adding an additional option for thematic historic districts to be designated, it affords us the ability to highlight a portion of Fort Lauderdale history that might not otherwise be known,” she said. With that, the board hopes to soon pass the ordinance so they can begin accepting applications for buildings and groupings of buildings that could be considered part of a Fort Lauderdale thematic historic district.

Thematic District designation is under consideration by the Fort Lauderdale City Commission. ©



Shippey House

Director: Chris Haerting, Restoration manager

Open to the public? Not currently but will be reopened sometime in 2024

Year built: 1914

The Shippey House was home to Fred Shippey who served as a Broward County's second court judge from 1920 to 1933. During his time on the bench, he presided over 1,000 juvenile court cases and never had a re-offender which became what he is most well-known for to this day. Unfortunately, in the years after his death his home fell to disrepair until it was saved by a small non-profit in 2008 who kept it from being demolished before Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale eventually acquired it. Today, after being moved multiple times, the property is currently being restored to its 1914 state along with becoming a restaurant and bar.

Little-known fact: "One of the most interesting things about Judge Shippey is that he officiated multiple marriage ceremonies in his own home with his most well-known client being actor and swimming champion, Johnny Weissmuller. He was in South Florida at the time filming the movie, Tarzan."

– Chris Haerting, restoration manager of the Shippey House



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SUMMER LOVIN'

COCKTAIL ROUND UP

WRITER RENÉE K. QUINN

Get refreshed with these inspiring summer cocktails inspired and crafted by Alex Alfonso, beverage development specialist at Breakthru Beverage Group, known for providing complete service with a smile. And puns. *Cheers to a spirited summer.*

The Spirit and the Cocktails

Tequila: Raspberry & Rosemary Paloma

Aperitif: Spritz of Life

Whiskey: The Blacker the Berry

Vodka: Bonfire Espresso Martini

Favorite Craft Cocktail Bars

No Man's Land, AQUI, The Wilder, Glitch, Roxanne's, Heritage, The Fitz



Aperitif: Spritz of Life



Tequila: Raspberry and Rosemary Paloma



Whiskey: The Blacker the Berry



Vodka: Bonfire Espresso Martini

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Spotlight: Cocktail Barbie

In Barbie's World, everything's fabulously pink – including the food. Join the Barbie fun with these pink cocktails from two of Fort Lauderdale's hottest dining destinations.

For mojito-loving Barbies...

La Fuga: Calling all mojito-loving Barbies to La Fuga! Located in the heart of Fort Lauderdale Beach at the Kimpton Shorebreak Fort Lauderdale Beach Resort, the restaurant is a love letter to Italy's coast and features unique and inventive twists on Italian classics. Sip on the **Mojito Italiano**, an invigorating mix of rum, fresh lime, mint, juicy raspberries and a bubbly prosecco finish.

For sushi-crazed Barbies...

Casa Sensei: Traditional Latin American cuisine beautifully blends with Pan Asian staples to create the best of both worlds. Lounge on the alfresco patio enjoying the scenic Las Olas canals at Casa Sensei while sipping the exclusive **Barbie Martini**, made with pink gin, raspberry liquor, simple syrup and cream, and delighting in the Barbie Roll, with special pink rice colored with beets, shrimp tempura, tuna, avocado and crab topped with spicy mayo. Be sure to satisfy your sweet tooth with a complimentary cloud of pink cotton candy at the end of your visit. 🍷



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Mojito Italiano



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Barbie Martini



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GENERAL EVENTS

AUGUST 1



Jackson Browne
The legendary singer and songwriter returns to the Broward Center for the Performing Arts

National Night Out Against Crime

Part of the David Deal Playday
City of Fort Lauderdale
Carter Park

AUGUST 2

George Strait
The legendary Country superstar!
Seminole Hard Rock Hotel & Casino

AUGUST 4

Discovery Spot - New Exhibit Opening
A fun and engaging exhibit for young scientists (ages 0-6)
Museum of Discovery & Science

AUGUST 5

Counting Crows
With support from Dashboard Confessional
Seminole Hard Rock Hotel & Casino

Jamaica Emancipendence Ole Time Fair

A FREE family friendly event celebrating Jamaica's Independence
City of Miramar
Miramar Amphitheater

Land & Sea Exhibit - Opening Reception

Celebrating landscapes and seascapes from around the world
Broward Art Guild

AUGUST 5-6

Roots
The story at the ROOTS of an island nation destined for greatness
Broward Center for the Performing Arts

AUGUST 6



XXVIII International Ballet Festival of Miami
Featuring an exciting mix of music and dance styles from around the world



The O'Jays "Last Stop on The Love Train"
The O'Jays are set to embark on their final tour.
Seminole Hard Rock Hotel & Casino

AUGUST 8

Orchid Care Basics
Orchid care 101 with guided tour of Orchid Display House and Greenhouses
Bonnet House Museum & Gardens

AUGUST 10

Boxing Under the Stars
Part of the David Deal Playday
City of Fort Lauderdale

AUGUST 11

Sonu Nigam
India's most renowned playback singer
Kash Patel Productions
Seminole Hard Rock Hotel & Casino

Riverwalk Rhythm & Brews presented by Funky Buddha

Live music from The Ricca Project, lawn games, food trucks and Funky Brews!
Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale

AUGUST 12

Beach Clean Up
With MODS and The Extra Catch
Museum of Discovery & Science

Sunshine Health Orange Bowl Family Fun and Fit Day

Part of the David Deal Playday
City of Fort Lauderdale
Carter Park

David Deal Playday Teen Night

A night with friends featuring a DJ battle, local artists and more!
City of Fort Lauderdale
Carter Park

Creativity Exploration: Space Making

Adult workshop promoting the benefits of creative exploration
NSU Art Museum

AUGUST 13

Rubén Blades
The Latin American music legend, celebrating more than 50 years!
Seminole Hard Rock Hotel & Casino

AUGUST 15

Orchid Care
Repotting & Mounting plus Combating Pests & Diseases
Bonnet House Museum & Gardens

AUGUST 16

Yoga on the Veranda
Enjoy "Tropical Tranquility in Nature" Classes with Instructor Lisa Pumper
Bonnet House Museum & Gardens

Jazz In the Hall

With Live Jazz Duo Angeline Fontaine and Nick Chin
GLBX - Greater Fort Lauderdale Chamber of Commerce

AUGUST 18

History Happy Hour
Covering environmental sustainability and the history of Fort Lauderdale
History Fort Lauderdale

Summer Jamz

Free end of summer hip-hop concert.
City of Fort Lauderdale
Carter Park

AUGUST 18-20



Gabriel Iglesias
One of America's most successful stand-up comedians.
Seminole Hard Rock Hotel & Casino

AUGUST 19-20

PAW Patrol Live! Heroes Unite
The PAW Patrol is helping for help as they face their greatest challenge yet.
Broward Center for the Performing Arts

AUGUST 26



Los Tigres Del Norte
One of Latin Music's leading creative and socially outspoken voices.
Seminole Hard Rock Hotel & Casino

AUGUST 26-27

Beres Hammond: Forever Giving Thanks Tour 2023
The Jamaican reggae superstar and undisputed king of lovers rock.
Broward Center for the Performing Arts

AUGUST 31

The Australian Pink Floyd Show: Darkside 50 Tour
Critically acclaimed Pink Floyd tribute show.
Broward Center for the Performing Arts

SEPTEMBER 2

Human Image Exhibit - Opening Reception
A celebration of the human form in all its glory.
Broward Art Guild

SEPTEMBER 3

Labor Day Festival
Block party with kids zone, car show and live music.
City of Fort Lauderdale

SEPTEMBER 7

Arrival From Sweden: The Music of Abba
ABBA tribute band.
Broward Center for the Performing Arts

SEPTEMBER 9

FemAle Brewfest
A craft beer festival featuring female beer experts and brewers.
FemAle Brew Fest

SEPTEMBER 12



Sting
The "My Songs" tour featuring his most beloved songs.
Seminole Hard Rock Hotel & Casino

SEPTEMBER 15

Carter Park Jamz
Free concert series with a broad range of musical varieties.
City of Fort Lauderdale

Guns N' Roses

The heavy metal legends.
Seminole Hard Rock Hotel & Casino

LIMITED ENGAGEMENT



Starlight Musicals
Fridays, June 9-August 11
These free outdoor concerts have provided a great way to enjoy the summer with family and friends.

Land & Sea Exhibit

August 2-18
Celebrating landscapes and seascapes from around the world.
Broward Art Guild

The Lightning Thief

August 3-11
 An action-packed mythical adventure
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Human Image Exhibit

August 28-September 22
 A celebration of the human form.
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www.browardartguild.org

Bonnet House Family Summer Special

Through September 3
 \$25 adult admission and free admission
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Expedition Dinosaur

Through September 4
 Experience life-like animatronic dinosaurs
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Through September 10
 Colorful impressionist fine art works by
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First Sunday
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Fourth Sundays
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CAPTAIN SOLOMON AND HIS FAMILY.



FORT LAUDERDALE CHIEF OF POLICE PATRICK LYNN SURROUNDED BY OFFICERS AND STAFF AT THE CEREMONIAL GROUNDBREAKING OF THE FORT LAUDERDALE POLICE DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS.



CAPTAIN ADAM SOLOMON, WHO SPEARHEADED THE EFFORT.

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TOM JONES, SCOTT BENNET, DAVID JOBIN AND KEN FLICK.



THE OUR FUND FOUNDATION'S 2023 ARTS AND CULTURE FUND GRANTEEES.



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WOMEN IN DISTRESS STARFISH LUNCHEON

The 16th Annual Women In Distress Starfish Luncheon raised more than \$260,000 on May at Bahia Mar Fort Lauderdale.



BILLIE GRIEB, DR. LINDA PARKER, AND JACKIE AND STEVE HYNEK

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HOLY CROSS TEAM MEMBERS DONATION

Holy Cross team members donated \$10,000 to the Sister Catherine McAuley Fund, which provides direct and sufficient assistance to Holy Cross Health's colleagues and their families for food, utilities and housing in times of need.



JOSE LOPEZ, KIM SAISWICK, JOHN CUNHA AND LAURA DENOUX

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THE FUTURE IS BRIGHT

Broward College President Gregory Adam Haile recently delivered the keynote address at the State of the College Investor Forum.



ALEXIA ALLINA, ANGUS TWOMBLY, GREGORY HAILE AND ELISABETH EISLEBEN

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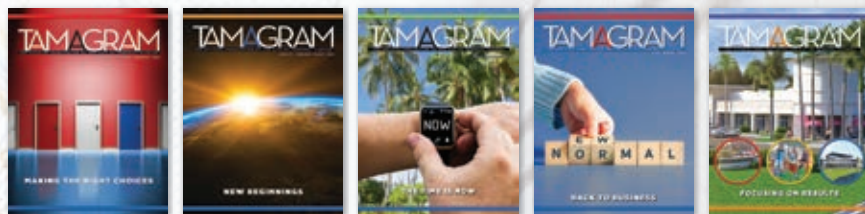
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Big Brothers Big Sisters of Broward County awarded scholarships amounting to \$325,000 to 46 high school graduates who are participants in the Big Brothers Big Sisters of Broward County mentoring program at its first BIG Futures Scholar Celebration.



AYA AL HALABI, MALENA MENDEZ AND WILLY GOMEZ



BIG FUTURES STUDENTS WITH THEIR SCHOLARSHIP CERTIFICATES



JULIETTE ROUHLAC, DAN PRINZING AND ANN BRIGGLE

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3RD CIRCLE OF FRIENDS LUNCHEON

Local individuals and an organization were recently honored by the Memorial and Joe DiMaggio Children's Hospital Foundations during the 23rd Circle of Friends luncheon at Signature Grand in Davie.



CRAIG ZINN



SCOTT WESTER, ITALIA FOLLECO AND BRETT ROSE



DR. PAULA ECKARD

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YOUTH LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

United Way of Broward County's Commission on Behavioral Health and Drug Prevention's Broward Youth Coalition hosted its annual Youth Leadership Institute on June 15 at Nova Southeastern University.



JORDAN BLAIR AND IVAN POWERS



YOUTH LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE GROUP



DANIA ATTAPALLIL, BRITTANY HICKMAN AND ROSANGEL LEON

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