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¡BIENVENIDOS, AMIGOS!



Celebrated annually, from Sept. 15 - Oct. 15, **National Hispanic Heritage Month** pays tribute to the generations of Hispanic Americans who have positively enriched the nation, society and our community. Sharing the variety of traditional food, art, music and entertainment, synonymous with the Hispanic culture and people, Las Olas Oceanside Park's month-long celebration spans four weekends, featuring a dozen free live performances, in addition to cooking demos, dance instruction, a movie night and both traditional lawn games and games of chance.

FAMILY FIESTA

Kicking off the showcase weekend on September 29, attendees of all ages will enjoy an evening fiesta of authentic Mexican food, drinks and performance by *Mariachi Mexicano* before the feature film, COCO.



TASTE THE TRADITION

Latin cuisine is a vibrant testament to cultural fusion, blending indigenous ingredients, European legacies, and global inspirations. From Mexico's spicy salsas to Peru's zesty ceviche, each dish embodies centuries-old traditions and culinary creativity, offering a sensory journey that captures the essence of Latin America's rich cultural heritage.



Natalia Dalton Salazar (L) and Yeni Ramos (R) show off their love of country through food with cooking demonstrations sponsored by Royal Prestige.

HERITAGE IN HARMONY

Latin music captivates with its vibrant rhythms, rich melodies, and cultural fusion. A tapestry woven from diverse traditions, it pulses with passion, echoing tales of love, resilience, and celebration. From bachata and salsa to flamenco and soca, Latin music's uniqueness ignites the senses, transcending borders and language.



One of 7 live performances, representing music styles from Argentina, Cuba and Venezuela, the Sabor Latino Latin Jazz All Stars will perform in a free concert, Sunday, October 1.

MEET THE MAKERS

Unveiling the hidden insights that transform a workplace, where personal success blends with family bonds and individual achievements enrich the collective fabric, we proudly shine a spotlight on the small business owners who share their passion, craft and Hispanic pride at TheMKT at Las Olas Oceanside Park, in a special profile feature on our website for Hispanic Heritage Month.



View the full schedule of free performances and activities taking place Sept 16 - Oct 15, on theloopflb.com



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JUST SOLD!

CHAMPAGNE

2 BEDROOM + OFFICE 2.5 BATH
Unobstructed views, marble floors throughout, and two terraces



ARIA

JUST LISTED! 3 BEDROOM 3.5 BATH
\$2,150,000

Water views and open space. This residence features east and west exposures, four terraces, marble & wood flooring, large chefs' kitchen, expansive master suite with his & hers baths and closets. Beautifully appointed with fine finishes.



LAS OLAS
RIVER HOUSE

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 sqft. Features include a private elevator foyer entry, floor to ceiling glass and 2 terraces.

JUST LISTED!

SOHO | \$925,000
2 BEDROOM 2 BATH

Direct river views from this split bedroom floorplan. Enjoy the floor-to-ceiling glass, tile and bamboo floors, custom closets, and a Master Suite featuring a jacuzzi tub & rainfall shower.

1 BEDROOM | \$679,000
1 BEDROOM 1 BATH

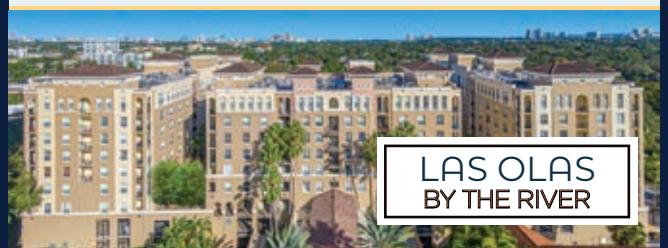
This Highly Desirable river front unit is a true gem! A rare find in all of downtown with direct river views! This is your opportunity to own the perfect pied-à-terre, on the river.

CHELSEA

JUST SOLD!

2 BEDROOM 2.5 BATH

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



LAS OLAS
BY THE RIVER

PRICE REDUCED

1 BEDROOM 1 BATH
\$345,000

This spacious unit is centrally located in downtown Fort Lauderdale in the Las Olas by the River gated complex with resort style amenities. Enjoy the large pool, spa, and club room all in close proximity to the famous Las Olas restaurants & shopping.

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PRICE REDUCED RIVERSIDE | \$999,000

Stunning 2 bedrom 2 bathroom plus den! The largest floorplan in the building with over 1,615 interior sqft featuring 10 foot ceilings, a split bedroom floor plan, a large terrace with access from both bedrooms, and floor to ceiling sliding glass doors.

SEAVIEW | \$859,000

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

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!

UNDER CONTRACT RIVERSIDE

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 appliances, French doors to the den and parking spaces included.

JUST SOLD! SEAVIEW

3 bedroom, 2 bath condo with ocean and river views, wood flooring, large eat-in kitchen with quartz countertops and stainless appliances. Full-service building with 5-star amenities, including concierge, clubroom, business center, theater, gym, and 24-hour valet & security.



NURIVER
LANDING

2 BEDROOM 2 BATH | \$530,000

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

**JUST LISTED! 1 BEDROOM 1 BATH
\$465,000**

This updated unit has direct river views and is Turn-Key furnished right along Riverwalk. Wood and tile Floors, washer and dryer, updated appliances. Rooftop pool and meditation garden.

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!

UNDER CONTRACT 1 BEDROOM 1 BATH

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WAVERLY PLACE

3 BED 2.5 BATH Furnished Historic House in Sailboat Bend **\$6,500**

WATERGARDEN

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THE PORT

2 BED 2 BATH 1,300+ sqft high floor unit with waterviews **\$4,850**

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2 BED 2.5 BATH Furnished 1 Year Lease Corner Unit **\$3,795**

WATERGARDEN

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BY RICHARD RODRIGUEZ
Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale Chair



AN ARTISTIC STROLL

EXPERIENCE ART, CULTURE AND ENTERTAINMENT JUST STEPS AWAY FROM THE RIVERWALK



Riverwalk continues to be a hub and is fortunate to have so many opportunities for you to experience art, culture, nature and entertainment. When walking the north side of the New River at the western end, you first experience the Broward Center for the Performing Arts which joins with Esplanade Park, a grand location for special events and performances. Across the street is the Museum of Discovery and Science which features learning opportunities that cover a variety of subjects.

Continuing down the north side, you next encounter several historic properties that offer a learning experience about Fort Lauderdale and Broward County.

As you continue east, you will note that you have passed several pieces of art in public places and soon encounter the NSU Art Museum. This location showcases exhibits that engage the public and make it clearly a grand destination.

Farther down the Riverwalk you will reach Stranahan House, which was a trading post and home to the founding family of Frank and Ivy Stranahan. It is a lovely facility, filled with facts and history and a great place to visit and learn.

Within a short walking distance of Riverwalk is the South Side Cultural Arts Center which hosts a variety of classes in the arts, dance, culinary and other options and is a great place to join a class.

Also within a short walking distance of Riverwalk is the Fort Lauderdale Fire and Safety Museum, which is a converted fire station that holds antique fire engines and equipment and a special children's area to learn about the gear on display, and about the history of fires.

We also want to include Bonnet House Museum and Gardens as a beautiful destination that features an art-filled home and lush gardens and tours telling about the house and its fascinating history.

The Jungle Queen and the Carrie B both offer narrated sightseeing cruises along the New River and Intracoastal Waterway, sharing history and fun facts about the area and residents.

Also, within Fort Lauderdale is the Stonewall National Museum and Archives as well as ArtServe and many other galleries and shows that present art.

Local art walks are a good way to immerse yourself in our art scene. They are hosted around the city monthly as evening entertainment.

As you can see, we are a city of art, culture, music, and adventure. Welcome to

the city you will never want to leave!

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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 MONDAY, OCT. 2, 2023 TO:

Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale
888 E. Las Olas Blvd., Suite 210
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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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CULTURAL INFLUENCERS

MEET THE LEADERS BEHIND OUR ARTS, HISTORY AND SCIENCE EXPERIENCES

Fort Lauderdale is filled with opportunities to enjoy art and local culture. Murals, art in public places and soon to have the statue at Tunnel Top Park are a few examples of types of art that abound. Having some very famous local artist has given us some unique and treasured pieces such as the Seminole Indian Girl at Smoker Park by renowned artist Nilda Comas. Nilda was invited to the Florida Artist Hall of Fame. She is known for her works created in marble, bronze, and other materials. Her fantastic works have been featured all over the world.

Broward County Cultural Division Director Phillip Dunlap brings a creative approach to art within Broward County, including fixed, visual and interactive opportunities to experience something different and meaningful. The series IGNITE! sponsored by the county grows and continues to offer more new approaches to understanding and participating in art.

Joseph Cox, president and CEO of the Museum of Discovery and Science, also has stepped out of the box to bring innovative experiences to the public and educating at the same time. His program schedule is clever and different and leaves you always checking to see what next may pop up to experience.

Broward Center for the Performing Arts, led by President and CEO Kelley Shanley, offers an extensive list of shows to see and in conjunction with The Parker Playhouse showcases a variety of musical performances to appeal to nearly all.

Bonnie Clearwater, director and chief curator, leads the charge at NSU Art Museum in Downtown Fort Lauderdale with creative and thoughtful art exhibits that draw you in over and over.

Museum experiences are bountiful including History Fort Lauderdale led by Executive Director Patricia Zeiler featuring several properties that demonstrate history of the area. The group also maintains a robust library of historical facts, documents and pictures that tell the story.

Jennifer Belt, executive director at Stranahan House, invites the public to visit the historical property in the heart of Downtown and tells the story of our founding family – the Stranahans.

For film lovers, Savor Cinema Fort Lauderdale offers a unique experience of viewing old films as well as brand new signature films in a beautiful, comfortable theatre with great sound and lighting to enhance the experience.

The Fort Lauderdale Woman’s Club, formed in 1911, also shares Strahanan Park and features the JoAnn Smith Botanical Garden, a beautiful place full of butterflies, unique plants and a restful spot to enjoy nature.

While we speak to one side of our entertainment options, let us not forget the Florida Panthers, Inter Miami and other teams that make our community a great place to relax, enjoy and learn!



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➔ In 2020, after 32 years of living in the windy city of Chicago, I decided to take the leap and move to sunny Florida. I am currently contracted by telehealth provider WebDoctors.

When I am not working, I enjoy spending time with my wife Zhanna and my 17-month-old son, Alexander. Additionally, I am a volunteer for the following organizations: Make-A-Wish South Florida, the Orange Bowl Committee, Honor Flight South Florida, and Big Brothers Big Sisters of Broward County. Some other hobbies include golfing, sports, Pokemon card collecting, deep sea fishing (although I am not very good) and anything outdoors with animals.

I joined Riverwalk to network with other like-minded individuals. I look forward to connecting with all of you at future events!



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MARC GIARRATANO

GENERAL MANAGER, TOWER CLUB FORT LAUDERDALE

➔ Born in Southern California, my journey in the service industry began early on at Starbucks where I discovered my love for delivering exceptional service. My affinity for hospitality led me to pursue a degree from California State University-Long Beach. After graduating, I managed Luna Grill, refining my skills in team management and customer satisfaction. Recognizing my knack for leadership, Halal Guys recruited me to oversee the opening of seven brick-and-mortar restaurants across Los Angeles and Orange County, California. Seeking new challenges and avenues for growth, my journey took me to South Florida, where I joined the Hillstone Restaurant Group, further cultivating my skills by managing Hillstone at Bal Harbor and Houston's Boca Raton.

Stepping into the Tower Club Fort Lauderdale as general manager, I bring a unique blend of dedication, leadership and innovation to the world of hospitality. Fueled by a passion for pushing boundaries and embracing fresh ideas, I am dedicated to crafting unforgettable experiences for our members and guests. As Tower Club quickly approaches its 50th anniversary in 2024, I am honored to be at its helm.

I am happy to continue the strong partnership between Riverwalk and Tower Club Fort Lauderdale, both longstanding, prestigious organizations in the community. I joined Riverwalk because I believe in the power of connecting people and building relationships that ultimately enrich our lives. Riverwalk's enthralling history and vision for Fort Lauderdale is why I continue to support our beautiful community.

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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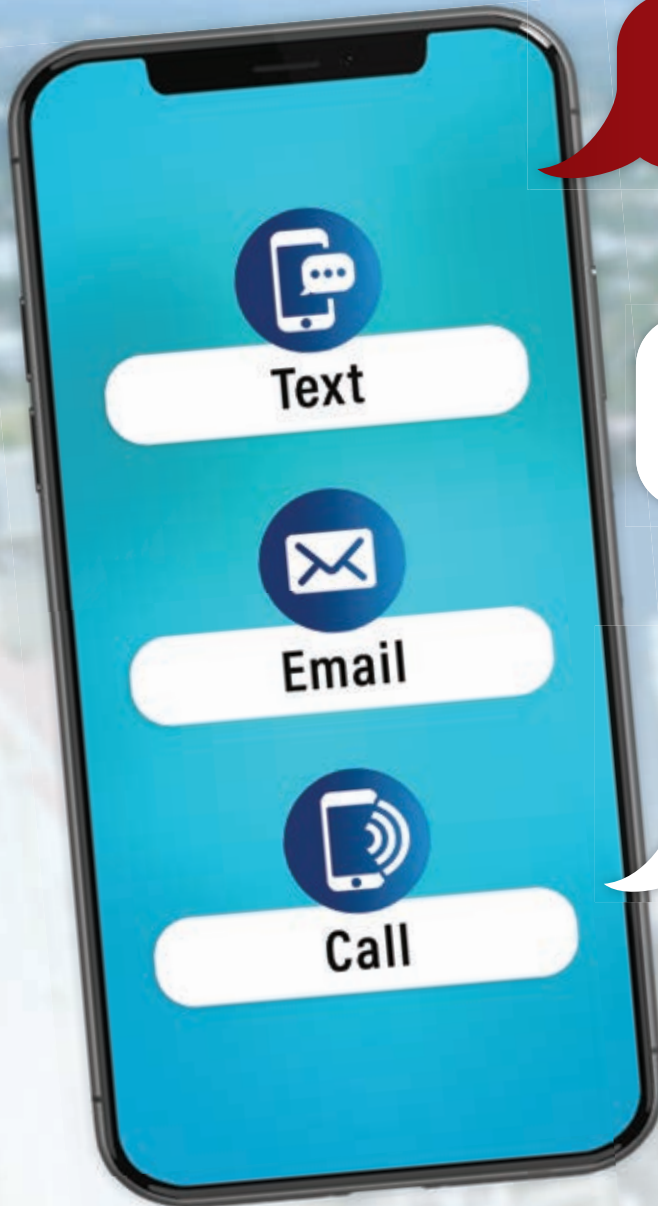
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RIVERWALK TACOS & TEQUILA FEST

Riverwalk hosted its first Tacos & Tequilas Fest on July 22. Taco lovers and tequila fans enjoyed an afternoon of amazing creations and sipped classic margaritas, innovative blends and seltzers. Special thanks to our sponsors: Defender Land Rover, Tulio's Tacos & Tequila, Xfinity, Vacation Village Resorts, The Couzens Group at Douglas Elliman Estate, Storm Tight Windows, Ghost Tequila, American Social Kitchen and Bar, Morningstar Storage, and S. MARK Graphics, who all made Tacos & Tequila Fest an unforgettable celebration of flavor.



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The Funky Buddha Team: Joseph Callahan, Jacob Meredith and Preston Colp



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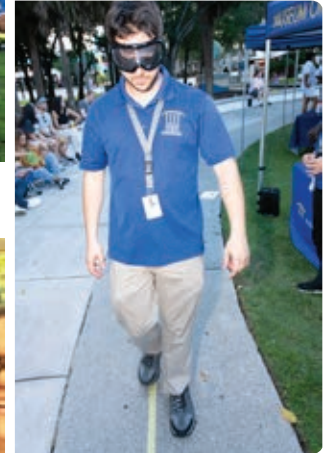
Mather Wiswall and Heather Hudson play cornhole



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Trustee Member Eric Blazej, right, with Zhanna and Alexander Blazej



Chris from the Museum of Discovery and Science walks the line with "beer goggles"



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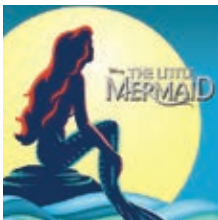
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BY MAYOR DEAN TRANTALIS
City of Fort Lauderdale



ARTFUL VITALITY

ENJOY FORT LAUDERDALE'S ARTS THIS SEASON



Installation images of *Future Past Perfect* at NSU Art Museum Fort Lauderdale.

I hope everyone is making it through this brutally hot summer OK with vacations and time for relaxation.

The high heat has caused numerous issues. Our environmental experts are concerned that the extraordinarily warm sea waters will cause bleaching in our precious coral reefs. Our summer camp programs shifted to more indoor time and frequent water breaks. And, our hospitals report a stark increase in heat-related complaints in the emergency rooms.

I urge everyone to take the hot, humid weather seriously, particularly its impacts on the elderly, young and pets. Also, remember hurricane season lasts through November and that we must be prepared in advance for the threat of a storm.

This Go Riverwalk issue is devoted to arts and culture. I'm so proud at the growth of these facets of our community. They help make us truly a place you never want to leave.


Our internationally acclaimed Nova Southeastern University Art Museum is continuing its tradition of top-of-the-line exhibits.

Recently, the museum opened *Future Past Perfect*, seven concurrent exhibitions of emerging South Florida artists exploring how they confronted their fears of the unknown amid the Covid-19 pandemic. The works displayed explore themes such as migration, global warming and social justice.

The nearby Museum of Discovery & Science was recognized this summer by the Institute of Museum and Library Services. MODS received the National Medal for Museum and Library Service in part for its strong commitment to community. In partnership with the city, MODS has made a major impact on local students through science, technology, engineering and mathematics programming.

And the upcoming season at the Broward Center for the Performing Arts again features early national tours of the best of Broadway with presentations of *Moulin Rouge*, *Mrs. Doubtfire* and *Funny Girl*. The Broward Center's intimate setting makes it the best place in the region to see major live theater.

The city is working hard to add more amenities.

We hope to open ice rinks at War Memorial Auditorium by the end of the year in a unique partnership with the Florida Panthers hockey team. Work is underway on a reimagined Huizenga Park, and construction of Tunnel Top Park on Las Olas Boulevard is nearing completion. 

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SUMMER TRAVELS

WHEN ART AND TRANSPORTATION INTERSECT

It is that time of year when I make my trip home to Massachusetts and often drive. This year I spent a little time in Washington, D.C., and then drove up to western Massachusetts for a family celebration.

Being in the transportation field, I tend to geek out a bit about things that other areas are doing, well or not too well, and especially about historic feats that were accomplished.

This year I contemplated the use of granite for curbs and what the cost differential may be with concrete used here (they are relatively equal for that area with granite having a longer life span ... I checked), the great work that D.C. is doing growing their bike lane network (but with some challenges on new bike lane signals), upper or lower deck on the George Washington Bridge in New York City (lower deck was the right choice), and my most amazing experience was on my first venture on the Merritt Parkway through Connecticut. The excitement of what the next bridge may look like overshadowed the Friday afternoon traffic out of The City.

The history and culture of this roadway really struck me and made me do research as soon as we got to our destination. If you haven't traveled on a northeast parkway, you have no idea how beautiful they are. They were "highways" designed for passenger traffic and recreational use, going through areas of scenic beauty, focusing on providing access to the best scenery even if it meant making the route longer. Key design features were that grade crossings were eliminated, they had minimal exits and entrances, there were often restrictions on commercial vehicles, and the landscape

design was a key element. These parkways were built to protect and preserve the natural scenic values, basically creating an elongated park to contain the roadway ergo its name "Parkway."

The Merritt Parkway was the first divided, limited-access highway in Connecticut that was constructed in the 1930s to alleviate traffic congestion on the Boston Post Road. It was an example of a significant new phase of American highway design where the experience was as important as moving vehicles, combining aesthetics with function.

And what makes this Parkway so amazing is the way that they accomplished the grade separations through the 69 artistic bridges within the 37.5-mile length that brought such architectural styles as Art Deco and Art Moderne to a new medium of bridges. The bridges were designed by architect George L. Dunkelberger to reflect the natural environment with representations of animals, plants, and representations of progress and movement.

Art and function continue to play a role in transportation projects in Fort Lauderdale including those I have highlighted in past articles like the Flagler Drive and Northeast 15th Avenue projects with painting art onto the street, sculpture installations like the Northeast 13th Street roundabout installation as well as those being completed by the Broward County Cultural Division on several key bridges in the city in the future.

Keep your eyes open for these and more examples of the intersection of transportation and art across the city. [GO](#)



Merritt Parkway Lake Avenue Bridge

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BY PHILLIP DUNLAP
Director,
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A NEW ARTS SEASON

CELEBRATE OUR HUB FOR GREAT ARTS AND CULTURE

September is always an exciting time for the arts in Broward as we kick off another new season brimming with creativity, inspiration, and artistic excellence.

Broward County has long been a melting pot of cultures, with diversity that is reflected throughout our community. Our commitment to nurturing the arts is helping transform our region into a flourishing center of creativity and expression.

This October, we look forward to revealing the results of the latest annual Arts and Economic Prosperity Report. This report will illustrate the measurable impact of arts and culture on our local economy. We understand how vital the creative sector is in shaping our community's identity and prosperity, and the findings of this important national study will further serve as a testament to the power of the arts in fostering economic growth, enhancing education, and enriching our lives.

As we move forward with a renewed sense of purpose, we are thrilled to announce our inaugural State of the Arts event on Oct. 26. This occasion will gather arts enthusiasts, patrons and stakeholders, offering a platform to reflect on accomplishments, address challenges, and chart a visionary path for the future. Together, we will celebrate the resilience of our artistic

community and explore ways to ensure an even more vibrant and inclusive cultural landscape.

Looking ahead to the new year, IGNITE Broward, the much-anticipated annual arts and light festival, will return from Jan. 24-28. The five days and nights will showcase the remarkable work of leading artists and designers who are at the forefront of today's most innovative art and technology.

We are immensely proud of Broward County's growth as a hub for great arts and culture. Our world-class venues, museums, and thriving creative institutions are all testaments to our commitment to fostering artistic excellence. However, our journey doesn't end here. We understand that the heart of any cultural community lies in its people — the artists, the audiences, the advocates.

Whether you are a seasoned arts enthusiast or someone stepping into this vibrant world for the first time, there is something for everyone to enjoy. ArtsCalendar.com is a great starting place to explore.

Together, let us celebrate the richness of Broward County's arts and culture, and stand united in our commitment to making the arts accessible and inclusive for all. As the seasons change, so do the stories we tell through our art, and we invite you to be a part of this transformative journey.

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COFFEE AND COMMUNITY

CHARLIE ST. FLOWERS AND COFFEE WILL FILL YOUR CUP

For those who crave a cup of coffee with a side of conversation and some laughs, it's hard to come by a shop or café that offers that unique sense of community. Yet for New York transplants and siblings, Charles Tracy and Valarie Tracy Cianci, they were set on changing that when they came to Fort Lauderdale with a plan to open a coffee shop that not only offers high quality coffee and food, but the chance to make lifelong friends.

"When I lived in Midtown, I worked as a bookkeeper and a block away from where I worked a little coffee and flower shop opened up. It was a cute, teeny place and all they sold was coffee and flowers. The next thing I know they're popping up everywhere around Manhattan. So when my brother, who is a trained chef, and I moved to Fort Lauderdale I said, 'Why don't we do this?'" said Cianci.

With that, Tracy and Cianci took what was initially a passing idea, to start a similar shop here in Fort Lauderdale that soon bloomed into a popular hot spot the community absolutely adores.

Today, Charlie St. offers espresso drinks locally sourced from the Miami-based Panther Coffee as well as delectable dishes like their turkey and mozzarella sandwich made with organic turkey breast, mozzarella, sun dried tomatoes on ciabatta and lavender-infused Belgian, and of course flowers.

"Our food, coffee, and beverages are definitely where


Charlie St. shines, but we liked the idea of offering flowers, plants, and succulents because it's unique but also makes the place look inviting," she said.

Even though the siblings now call Fort Lauderdale home, they didn't forget to pay tribute to their New York roots.

"Well, my brother's name is obviously Charlie, but we also chose the name because there's a very popular street in the West Village called Charles Street. So we thought it would be nice little nod to New York and where we came from," said Cianci. Aside from their curated menu made with a lot of love and care by the culinary trained Tracy, it's their passion for the community that really sets them apart.

From weekend yoga classes to selling art in the shop from local artists, the siblings behind Charlie St. are dedicated to creating an inviting space where people from all over can feel like family when they stop in.

"Everyone here is so nice and we've really gotten close with our customers. I have the same people who come by in the morning during the week and before they say anything, I know exactly what kind of coffee they want," said Cianci.

"Growing up in the city, and especially in Brooklyn, we had neighborhoods where everybody knew each other. So when we moved here I felt like this area was missing that, but now with Charlie's I think we've created a spot that has just that." 



Charlie Tracy and Valarie Tracy Cianci

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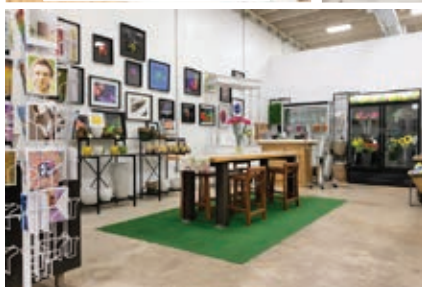
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THE CHAMBER'S COUNCIL OF ECONOMIC ADVISORS LOOKS AT INFLATIONARY CONDITIONS

The South Florida economy is chugging along with consumer demand remaining constant and fluctuating inflation numbers the soup de jour for the rest of the year.

Over three-quarters of the Chamber's Council of Economic Advisors (CEA) projects consumer demand will either stay the same or increase (16 percent projected decreases). The CEA represents 22 market segment executives who meet with the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta-Miami Branch, on a quarterly basis.

Those citing a softening in demand stated that inflationary conditions and higher financing costs were the main drivers. A recent report cited the Fort Lauderdale, Miami-Dade, Palm Beach Metro region with inflation as high as 9 percent in April on its way to seven percent in June.

Nationally, inflation has been on a steady decline ending July at 3.2 percent with price increases moderated as of this report. The CEA reported most businesses are maintaining price and passing most increases through to consumers.

More than half of the CEA indicated that there are still upward cost pressures outside of labor costs. All this while three-quarters of CEA respondents indicated credit conditions remained the same and some are holding back on capital investments.

Margins for the remainder of this year were a mixed bag for CEA members, with the majority expecting

them to remain stable or increase but about one-third looking for a decline.

In a tight labor market, none of the CEA was decreasing their labor force, with most maintaining and a third actively hiring. Our talent market remains tight with 2.9 percent unemployment and 32,092 citizens looking for a job. That has cut into the spread between the 40,621 open positions in Broward County as of this report.

Through all of this we have added 27,756 new jobs year-over-year, according to the Florida Scorecard. For perspective, just to keep up with migration and to remain at current employment levels we need to create 86,458 new jobs by 2030. In the tri-county area we need 279,029 net new jobs.

We have had a record number of ribbon cuttings for new businesses this year with the majority of them in the hospitality space. This isn't surprising. The sector was hit hard during Covid. Many shuttered and new players are emerging now like New River Café & Bakery, Pummarola, and Hatch.

Unfortunately, our visitor indexes are flat and at a normal rate for this time of year. What we know is there are more options outside of Florida and the United States attracting tourism. Room prices are moderating as demand ebbs. Revenue per unit was down two percent in the second quarter.

All this to say, keep chugging South Florida, keep chugging.



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BY PHIL PURCELL
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Writer Liz Wegerer



ART IN MANY FORMS

THE FORT LAUDERDALE CONCOURS IS NOT JUST ABOUT CARS



The Fort Lauderdale International Boat Show (FLIBS) is arguably the premier multi-day event in Fort Lauderdale’s annual calendar. For five days each October, FLIBS brings together boating enthusiasts from every corner of the globe, immersing them in all things yachting.

One FLIBS event stands out, though, as an evening that goes beyond the typical yacht-related fare to reach across demographic boundaries and bring together people with diverse interests. The Fort Lauderdale Concours, held on the Friday night of the show weekend, takes attendees beyond boats and immerses them in a unique artistic experience.

Three years ago, Maria Jannace, founder and CEO of Fort Lauderdale Concours Inc. and Maxim Creative Group, wanted to bring the concours experience to FLIBS but do so in a way that had never been done before anywhere in the world. Her goal was to create an auto event that felt relatable and welcoming to people beyond the typical concours audience. Her strategy? To make this concours not just about cars, but also include other forms of collectible art.

Her vision turned into an evening that includes live music, dancing, drinks and heavy hors d’oeuvres, along with three forms of art – cars, collectible sneakers, and fine and pop art pieces. This year marks the third year the Fort Lauderdale Concours is part of boat show weekend.

To ensure the Fort Lauderdale flavor is infused into this unique evening, Jannace enlisted the help of local art expert Jodi Tanner to curate the fine and pop art component of the night. Working with Las Olas Capital Arts, the duo created a pop-up art gallery at the Fort Lauderdale Concours that showcases a variety of art styles, all from artists in the south Florida area. All the art on display is for sale, and 100 percent of proceeds go directly to the artists.

Of course, you can’t have a concours without rare and collectible cars, and Jannace promises this year’s event will impress even the most avid car enthusiast. In keeping things local, many of this year’s showcase cars will come from South Florida. These will be complemented with collectible cars from other parts of the U.S., too.

While this year’s car lineup is kept under wraps until Friday night, previous concours events have included standouts like a 1971 Lamborghini Miura P400 SV (long considered the world’s first super car), a 1955 Mercedes-Benz 300SL Gullwing (a favorite of Zsa Zsa Gabor and Tony Curtis), and a 1934 Packard LaBaron Twelve Individual Custom Sport Phaeton (one of only 960 ever produced).

Finally, perhaps the most unique aspect of the concours overall is the inclusion of collectible sneakers — another form of artistic expression. Jannace saw including sneakers as a way to bridge demographic divides and introduce the world of concours to a younger, more diverse audience. Jannace worked with a collectible sneaker curator to ensure that the shoes selected visually complement each of the cars on display.

The only evening concours in the world, the Fort Lauderdale Concours is truly a one-of-a-kind event that brings together lovers of different art forms for an evening of relaxed camaraderie and new experiences. Concours attendees can also vote for their favorite car, with a People’s Choice Award given at the end of the night.

Don’t miss this year’s Fort Lauderdale Concours, part of FLIBS weekend. It’s your opportunity to enjoy an informal party atmosphere and immerse yourself in art in many forms. ©



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THE UPCOMING FORT LAUDERDALE ARTS SEASON HAS PLENTY TO LOOK FORWARD TO

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BIG EVENTS COMING UP

Whether you're one to rush into the crowds, or just want to know the dates of these big events so you can avoid the crowds, here's a list of Fort Lauderdale's major upcoming events.

OCTOBER 14 – Vegan Block Party

OCTOBER 21 – Riverwalk Fall Festival

OCTOBER 25-29 – Fort Lauderdale International Boat Show

NOVEMBER 4 – Florida Day of the Dead Celebration

NOVEMBER 19 – Winterfest Family Fun Day

DECEMBER 2-3 – Riptide Music Festival

DECEMBER 16 – Winterfest Boat Parade

DECEMBER 31 – Downtown Countdown

JANUARY 6 – Riverwalk Stone Crab & Seafood Festival

JANUARY 8-14 – Visit Lauderdale Food and Wine Festival

FEBRUARY 10-12 – Pride

APRIL – Las Olas Wine and Food Festival

APRIL 5-7 – Tortuga Music Festival

MAY 11-12 – Fort Lauderdale Air Show

MAY 25 – Great American Beach Party

JULY 4 – Fourth of July Spectacular

— Dates are tentative

With summer's end right around the corner, people will soon be coming home from their summer vacations and heading back to school and work. However, even though the most sought-after season of the year comes to close, there is still much more fun to be had right here in Fort Lauderdale. With that, these are some of the season's upcoming events that Fort Lauderdale people in the know are most looking forward to.

SEPTEMBER

Billy Porter at Back to the Drive Celebration

Sept. 21

Stonewall National Museum, Archives and Library

The Venue

2345 Wilton Drive, Wilton Manors

www.stonewall-museum.org/snep-fundraiser

Actor, singer and director Billy Porter will be joining Stonewall National Museum, Archives and Library at its *Back to the Drive Celebration* in support of the Stonewall National Education Project on Sept. 21. The evening will be filled with music, food and fun in support of Stonewall National Education Project.



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Founding Families Fall Festival

Sept. 22

Historic Stranahan House Museum

335 S.E. Sixth Ave., Fort Lauderdale

www.stranahanhouse.org

The Stranahan House will be celebrating its first ever Founding Families Fall Festival. Guests of all ages can come out to help celebrate the founding families of Fort Lauderdale and enjoy a variety of food trucks, beer and wine vendors, games for people of all ages, live music, and more.

"I am especially excited for the Fall Festival because it'll be the first big event we've had here in years, and it might be the first event ever using the new Laura Ward Plaza," said Jennifer Belt, Stranahan House executive director.

OCTOBER

MODS Celebrating a Legacy of Discovery Gala

Oct. 21

Museum of Discovery and Science
401 S.W. Second St., Fort Lauderdale
www.mods.org

The Museum of Discovery and Science will pay tribute to its 45-year history of playful exploration with the Celebrating a Legacy of Discovery Gala. This year's event will celebrate the opening of their Discovery Spot exhibit and will directly benefit the Museum of Discovery and Science. The museum invites guests to join them for an elegant evening of dining and dancing, a silent auction, a live auction and live entertainment.

“The Discovery Spot encourages creative play, cognitive development and allows young learners to take their very first steps in science. Funds raised through the Gala support access to a myriad of programs for children and families,” said Joseph P. Cox, president and CEO of the Museum of Discovery and Science.



NOVEMBER

Masterworks I – Schubert | Saint-Saëns

South Florida Symphony Orchestra

Nov. 8

The Parker

707 N.E. Eighth St., Fort Lauderdale

www.southfloridasymphony.org

The South Florida Symphony Orchestra debuts its 2023-24 season which will feature five classical Masterworks concerts and Handel's holiday masterpiece, *Messiah*. The 26th season's first concert will showcase the music of Saint-Saëns' *Piano Concerto No. 5, Egyptian* featuring Tao Lin, and Schubert's majestic *Symphony No. 9, The Great*.

“This season, we aim to excite and delight with some of the world's most iconic works,” said Sebrina María Alfonso, conductor for the Symphony Orchestra. “Our selections include Beethoven's *Ninth Symphony*, in celebration of the masterpiece's 200th anniversary; Brahms' *Symphony No. 1*; Bernstein's *Ode to Freedom*; three dance episodes from the hit Broadway musical *On the Town*; and Stravinsky's enchanting *Firebird Suite*.”



DECEMBER

A Christmas Carol, The Musical

Nov. 30 and Dec. 1-2

Amaturo Theater at the Broward Center
201 S.W. 5th Ave.,
Fort Lauderdale
www.browardcenter.org

Ring in the holiday season with the Broward Center for the Performing Arts presentation of *A Christmas Carol* at the Amaturo Theater at the Broward Center this winter. Guests of all ages are invited to join Scrooge, Bob Cratchit, Tiny Tim and a host of colorful characters for a traditional holiday tale. The musical production of the Charles Dickens classic, which is adapted for family audiences, is a wonderful way to celebrate the season with the entire family and features the talents of The Performance Project students and the adult professional actors who mentor them. The Broward Center will also offer a Family Fun Series of performances that will take place on Dec. 2.



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“Fort Lauderdale is in for an extraordinary season of big Broadway premieres, music, comedy and even fan-favorite films with live orchestra,” said Matt McNeil, vice president of programming and marketing of the Broward Center for the Performing Arts. “The 2023-2024 Broadway in Fort Lauderdale season features four South Florida debuts on the Broward Center stage, including the award-winning musical mash-up extravaganza *Moulin Rouge: The Musical!*, the ultimate whodunit *Clue* and an array of theatrical showstoppers. With additional events to be announced, this will truly be a blockbuster season at the Broward Center and The Parker sure to deliver memorable moments for everyone.”

JANUARY

IGNITE 2024

Jan. 24-28

www.ignitebroward.com

One of Florida’s most exciting art and light festivals is coming back to Broward better and brighter than ever this January. Presented by Broward County Cultural Division in partnership with MAD Arts, IGNITE features larger than life, immersive and interactive light installations in Fort Lauderdale and Dania Beach.

“I am most excited about IGNITE 2024, which takes place January 24 to 28 in Esplanade Park and Dania Beach. It will be five days and nights of amazing immersive digital art and light installations by some of the best artists in the world! It is free, family friendly, and one of my favorite events of the year,” said Phillip Dunlap, director of the Broward Cultural Division. ©



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WRITER RENÉE K. QUINN

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Last year, a sold-out crowd sipped, shopped and came together at Piazza Italia to raise funds for breast cancer care. Sponsors included Memorial Healthcare System Community Relations, Tracey Minkin, Susan Renneisen with Seminole Hard Rock Hotel & Casino, Patty Miranda with Olympia Flame Diner, Robinson's Jewelers, Spirited South Florida, BootlegGreg Cocktail Co., Jason Leidy/MRA Photography and Go Riverwalk Magazine.



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SEPTEMBER 7

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SEPTEMBER 9

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OCTOBER 8



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