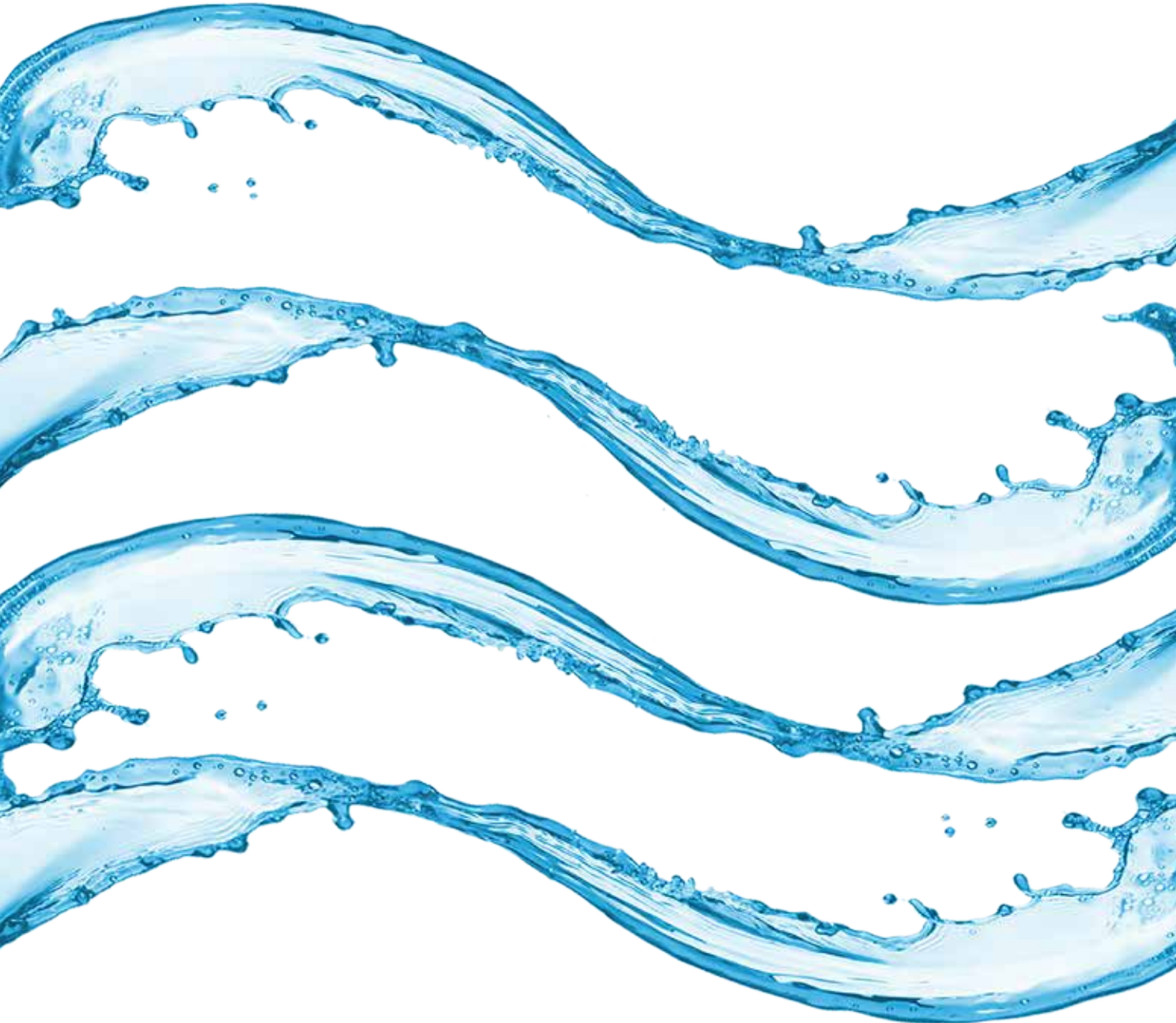


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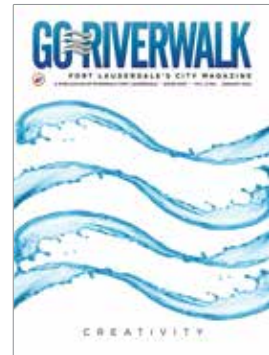
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A staple of Fort Lauderdale Beach for nearly four years, **TheMKT at Las Olas Oceanside Park** has since sealed its place in the hearts of locals and a delight for visitors strolling the area. Under new management since early 2023, the seaside pop-up takes over the park's plaza every Saturday and Sunday with a rotating mix of more than 80 local makers, artists, and food and drink vendors yearround. Follow their social channels for the most current vendor listing, ongoing entertainment, and the Saturday morning Yoga class hosted by Lisa Pumper.



SAVE THE DATES

JANUARY 13 & 14
VISIT LAUDERDALE FOOD & WINE



Now in its fifth year, the **Visit Lauderdale Food & Wine Festival** will take place January 8-14, 2024, including the signature Grand Tasting at Las Olas Oceanside Park on Saturday, January 13. Welcoming everyone under the sun, the week-long series of indulgent experiences features the best of the best from around the corner and the globe in celebration of the ever-evolving epicurean scene in South Florida and beyond. VLFoodWine.com

FEBRUARY 25
4TH ANNUAL FTL PET FEST



Dust off your boots, cowboy hat, and save the date for a rootin' tootin' good time at the **4th Annual Fur the Love Pet Fest** on Sunday, February 25, 2024.

Voted "Best Event" in Fort Lauderdale Magazine's 2023 Readers Poll, and one of the most highly anticipated pet events of the year, hosts Ana & Teddy, the dynamic mom and pup duo behind the award-winning @TourwithTeddy Instagram account, are planning a rodeo extravaganza that will have tails wagging and spurs jingling 'til the cows come home! Profits from the event support the year-round pet friendly events at Las Olas Oceanside Park, including the **Dog Days of Summer Movie Series**, **HOWLoween Pawty** and more. For vendor and sponsor opportunities, as well as ticket and event details, visit theloopflb.com



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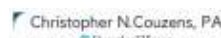
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We take pride in our partnership with the City as we work to find unique and fun ways to engage the public, use our park land for public purposes and enjoyment, assure that our walks and seawalls support our marine industry and confirm that there is adequate infrastructure.

Huizenga Park enters construction this year and upon completion will offer yet more amenities to the Downtown and our public. From a dog park, playground, bathrooms, restaurant and more – it is surely going to be a grand destination. Esplanade continues to be a well-loved and used location for special events including walk/runs, music festivals and more. The location of Esplanade draws together Riverwalk, Museum of Discovery and Science and Broward Center for the Performing Arts to collaborate on public projects. The property known as the One-Stop

is under contract with the City to build and operate an entertainment venue and public park area that offer more amenities. Sistrunk Park is soon to be getting new exercise equipment and Feldman Park is in construction as we go to print but we are hopeful it will be back open and operating in the next few months.

Tunnel Top Park, the eastern end of Riverwalk, in conjunction with Riverwalk Plaza at Cheesecake Factory Riverwalk Laura Ward Plaza are open to the public and being enhanced to make for a great experience. In partnership with the City of Fort Lauderdale, Riverwalk, DDA, Fort Lauderdale Water Taxi, the Las Olas Company, the Las Olas Association and Stranahan House hosted a ribbon cutting and festival on all 3 plazas on Dec. 10 to celebrate the opening.

Hardy Park remains very active, and Smoker Park again is becoming more of a destination that ever before. Our Downtown residents and visitors love the Florida weather and the very cool experience of being able to walk and enjoy all kinds of passive and active opportunities Downtown.

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Police Chief Bill Schultz

Chief Schultz has been a police officer with Fort Lauderdale Police Department since 2001. With a variety of experience, he has covered patrol, special operations, field training, public information and internal affairs. His most recent assignment was in the operations bureau service as the commander of the patrol bureau and the community support units.

During his tenure he has garnered 20 departmental commendations, 55 public commendations and one lifesaving award. Chief Schultz holds a bachelor's degree in criminal justice administration with a minor in psychology as well as a master's degree with a tri-concentration in technology, communications and police staff and command from Eastern Michigan University. He is a recent graduate of the FBI National Academy and the Police Executive Research Forum Senior Management Institute for Police.

Fire Chief Stephen Gollan

Chief Gollan is a 26-year veteran of the fire service and has served Fort Lauderdale Fire Rescue since 2007. He has served in both operations and administrative roles and is known for his passion for fire service. His time in operations was spent progressing through the ranks while serving on both the technical rescue and marine teams. In administration, Stephen has spent the last five years as the assistant fire marshal and public information officer. Chief Gollan is a graduate of Fort Lauderdale Chamber of Commerce's Leadership XXVII Class and was recognized by the Broward County Fire Chiefs Association as the Chief Officer of the Year in 2022.

Chief Gollan currently holds a Center for Public Safety Excellence designation for both chief fire officer and public information officer. He has a bachelor's degree in business administration with a concentration in marketing from Auburn University and has earned numerous fire service certifications in both Florida and Alabama.

In a growing community like Fort Lauderdale within an active county like Broward, public safety on all levels is a priority. We welcome these gentlemen to the new roles they have accepted leading the charge to assure that we are well protected. 🇺🇸



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Rick was a semi-custom builder while I had my real estate company, which sold his homes. We converted the chicken coop on our last farm into the building office. Things took off from there, and then we retired in 1988 and traveled around the world.

For 44 years we resided in my dream house in Pennsylvania which Rick built. Big change from a huge house to a little condo. No room for my gowns was the first big shocker for me.

We just took permanent residency here in July. I will always miss the four seasons, especially fall with the sound of leaves underfoot. But with the new wonderful friends we've been constantly meeting, I'm starting to believe that this is the place for us to be now.

We have been joining various organizations, as we did back in Pennsylvania. I was afraid we would be bored here but no way. Fort Lauderdale is exciting, constantly expanding; it is just refreshing to be a small part of this city.

Riverwalk with the various restaurants and parks had a definite influence on purchasing our condo. Because of Riverwalk, we even have our own brick. We have enjoyed the festivals in Esplanade Park.

It's wonderful to be alive in Fort Lauderdale.



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➤ I am native of Fort Lauderdale with an unwavering passion for my hometown. After spending several years away pursuing my education and gaining valuable experience in the real estate industry, I returned to Fort Lauderdale in late 2019 to continue the growth of my career and make a difference in the community I hold dear.

As the founder of The Crewss Group, I have assembled a team of extraordinary individuals who share my vision and commitment to excellence. Together, we have achieved remarkable success, closing over \$100 million in sales volume and helping numerous clients achieve their real estate goals.

I genuinely love the real estate business and the opportunity it provides to connect with people from all walks of life. I enjoy helping my clients navigate the complexities of buying or selling a home, and I understand that each transaction is a unique journey that requires personalized attention. I was recognized as Rookie of the Year early in my career and later earned the prestigious Sterling Society recognition. I was also named a Rising Star by Broward Top Producers magazine.

I am driven by a relentless desire to serve the community, which is one of the reasons why I joined Riverwalk. I love to help individuals and families find the perfect home and meet their needs with unwavering dedication, expertise, and a genuine passion for making dreams a reality.

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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35TH ANNIVERSARY CALL TO ARTISTS RECEPTION

Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale held a reception in honor of the artists who submitted their depictions of the Riverwalk in the organization’s Call to Artists Competition. Eleven artists submitted original works in celebration of Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale’s 35th anniversary. Many of the artists and their guests joined us at the reception, which was hosted by Las Olas Capital Arts.



Jack McQueen, who painted the winning artwork in Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale’s Call to Artists Competition, was unable to attend the reception.



Laura Brill Elmore



Sandy Doyle



Mary Peloquin



Hitomi Saito



Alejandra "Alex" Palacios

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POWER MIXER

Riverwalk Trustee members and corporate partners gathered on the 10th floor of The Main Las Olas for a Power Mixer hosted by J.P. Morgan Private Bank and Fort Lauderdale Water Taxi on Dec. 4. Guests enjoyed the final mixer of 2023 with food provided by Sidecar Kitchen and flower arrangements provided by Ann's Florist.



Rick Thill, Renee Johnson and Bill Walker



Amanda Coleman, Lewis Rasmussen, Brewster Knott and Michael Angulo



Members establish meaningful connections



Georgette Jimenez-Evans and Maria Medina



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Ken Ortnier, David Beckey and Howard Elfman



Members came together on the patio of The Main Las Olas

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TUNNEL TOP PLAZA RIBBON CUTTING

The community and local leaders gathered to celebrate the Tunnel Top Plaza ribbon cutting on Dec. 10. The afternoon festivities included live music, treats from Las Olas shops and samples of “The Connector,” an original Riverwalk cocktail made with locally made Victor George Vodka. The family friendly festival concluded with a special showing of the holiday classic, Home Alone sponsored by Flo and Rick Celender.



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TOWN HALL MEETINGS

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Over the last several months, I have been collaborating with you, our neighbors, City leadership and staff to deliver and approve a \$1.07 billion dollar budget for fiscal year 2024.


I am pleased to report that within the budget, I rallied for our emergency services departments to receive additional personnel, both in the fire and police departments. The fire department will now include 10 new positions that will allow for three firefighters to respond to both fire and emergency medical service at the same time without jeopardizing safety and response times. In addition, there will be three new fire stations operating in District IV as well as an EMS station on Las Olas. Finally, Commission supported a new initiative for police officers to be trained as emergency medical technicians to render aid as quickly as possible for our residents, neighbors and visitors alike.

The police department will increase by 14 positions, which provides three positions to be assigned to the Homeless Outreach Team (HOT). In addition to the increased homeless outreach, as of June 2023 the City has committed \$6.3 million in state and federal funding to address homelessness through various programs, including rapid rehousing, rental assistance and case management services to provide holistic support to help individuals gain employment. The City is also supporting continued services to assist individuals at risk of becoming homeless, such as seniors aged 62 and older and youth aged out of the foster care system.

On Oct. 23, City staff and I hosted an infrastructure town hall meeting where we presented the progress the City is making in District IV. I am very excited about the great strides we have made as a city with our infrastructure. During this meeting, staff announced they have launched Fortify Lauderdale. Over the next decade, Fortify Lauderdale

will invest up to a half-billion dollars in stormwater infrastructure construction in multiple neighborhoods. Fortify Lauderdale will be in addition to the extensive work already underway in which we are investing \$200 million in eight neighborhoods to address tidal flooding and stormwater runoff.

Listening to the concerns of District IV regarding the process for allowing Public Private Partnerships (P3), I initiated the discussion with the city attorney to develop a draft ordinance addressing P3's within Fort Lauderdale. Public-private partnerships are agreements between public and private entities to allow for greater private sector participation in the delivery and financing of public building and infrastructure projects. In addition, I have requested that any comprehensive agreement that is presented to the City Commission is done so by two public hearings to allow for sufficient public participation. The City Commission will review the draft ordinance and recommendations from the Council of Fort Lauderdale Civic Associations, provide feedback to the city manager and the city attorney for incorporation into the draft ordinance. In addition, I am requesting your feedback to be considered and included in the P3 ordinance. Your opinion and participation matters!

As we move into the new year, I look forward to setting the goals for our city at the Commission Prioritization Workshop on Jan. 18. Each January, the City Commission sets its priorities for the upcoming year. These priorities are then voted on at a future commission meeting. As these priorities have major influence over the city's budget, I am asking you to please get involved. In January, I will be hosting a district town hall meeting to gather feedback from the community. What priorities would you like me to advocate on your behalf? 



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UPCOMING WORKSHOPS

Workshop 2: Spacing Allocation

January 13, 2024 | 9:00 a.m.

L.A. Lee YMCA/Mizell Community Center (1409 NW 6th St.)

Workshop 3: Amenities

February 17, 2024 | 9:00 a.m.

Holiday Park Social Center (1150 G. Harold Martin Dr.)

Workshop 4: Finance & Procurement Process

March 16, 2024 | 9:00 a.m.

Beach Community Center (3351 NE 33rd Ave.)

Workshop 5: Review & Next Steps

April 20, 2024 | 9:00 a.m.

Holiday Park Social Center (1150 G. Harold Martin Dr.)



YEAR IN REVIEW

LOOKING BACK AT ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF 2023

As we start yet another year, it is a great time to reflect on last year and look ahead to what is in store for the new year. It is also an opportunity to be grateful for what we've accomplished and look to identify ways to make next year even better and to keep the great momentum moving forward.

We have been able to accomplish amazing improvements to our transportation system together under the direction of our Commission and in partnership with the Broward Metropolitan Planning Organization, Florida Department of Transportation and Broward County over the last year. These projects assist in moving forward toward the Fast Forward Fort Lauderdale 2035 Vision that established the goal of creating a connected transportation network for all modes.

Over the past year I have shared a wide range of the type of work we do here at the Transportation and Mobility Department to move toward that vision every day, including projects involving transit, parking, sidewalk, traffic signals, bike lanes, both by the city and partners, however there is much more as well.

Although it is usually never as quickly as anyone would like, we continue to be persistent in advocating for ways

to realize the vision of a more connected transportation network that is more efficient and safer.

The following are some of the key accomplishments from the past year that were highlighted in my look ahead last January:

- Implemented projects including traffic calming along Bass Park and began construction on streetscape improvements on Northeast Fourth Avenue north of Sunrise Boulevard to expand on the previous complete streets project.
- Began the Sidewalk Master Plan.
- Completed the design of Riverland Road traffic calming measures.
- Implement signal improvements based on technology.
- Hired consultants to begin the design of the Las Olas Concept Plan.
- Began design on Sunrise Lane Streetscape improvements.
- Completed the design of the wayfinding signage program in central beach area.
- Completed the Tunnel Top Plaza project.
- Began the design of the first two segment of the LauderTrail Commission Priority.
- Implemented parking facility improvements with more in progress.

Over the past year we have also added extra focus on working with neighborhood associations on quality-of-life and safety issues within the neighborhoods including identifying maintenance needs like pavement markings and signage, line of sight issues, signal timing improvements and needed traffic calming. We have had great success in making a difference neighborhood wide and look forward to continuing this effort into the new year.

The following is a glance at what's on the horizon for next year based on the Commission's priorities and approved budget:

- Completing the construction of Northeast Fourth Avenue streetscape project.
- Completing the Sidewalk Master Plan.
- Installation of the beach wayfinding project.
- Continue to leverage grant funding to implement transportation goals.
- Increase micro-mobility options.
- Continue to advocate for enhancements to improve the ability of people to move throughout the City.
- Continue to advocate to our partners to improve traffic congestion along major corridors.
- Complete the design of the first phases of LauderTrail.
- Continue to advocate for grant funding to complete transportation projects.



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As we usher in the new year, I am thrilled to invite you to the third annual IGNITE Broward festival. This free, five-day showcase of light, art and sound takes place Jan. 24 to 28 in Fort Lauderdale and Dania Beach and is an extraordinary celebration of arts and culture spotlighting the creativity and innovation of artists from throughout the world.

Join us for the festival countdown at Esplanade Park on Wednesday, Jan. 24 at 7 p.m., where you can dance to a live audiovisual show featuring projection art by Holly Danger and electronic music by Tapered Shapes. Throughout IGNITE's run, you will also enjoy an array of workshops, lectures, poetry readings and live performances, all thoughtfully curated for everyone to experience the power of immersive art.

IGNITE was started with a goal of uniting our community through large-scale art and it has done just that. Last year, this family-friendly festival welcomed more than 30,000 visitors to Fort Lauderdale and Dania Beach.

IGNITE Broward 2024 is presented by Broward Cultural Division and is produced by Mad Arts.

IGNITE Broward

Jan. 24-28

Schedule and locations

Daily 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.: 22 exhibits will take over the gallery and exterior spaces at *Mad Arts* in Dania Beach (481 S. Federal Highway), with extended viewing until 11 p.m. on Friday and Saturday. Artworks by Shuster + Moseley, LP Rondeau, Adrien M & Claire B, Studio McGuire, OLO Creative Farm, Makoto Tojiki, JS Baillat, Ottomata, Diagraf, Thomas Garnier, Jaime Reyes + ReThread, Holly Danger, Akiko Yamashita, Josh Miller & Angela Fraleigh, Rosanna Kalis, MadLabs and Tine Bech Studio will be on display.

Nightly 6 to 10 p.m.: Downtown Fort Lauderdale will feature five spectacular outdoor, digital, light-based art sculptures and 3D projection mapping installations at the *Museum of Discovery and Science* (401 S.W. 2 St.) and *Esplanade Park* (400 S.W. 2 St.) with extended viewing until 11 p.m. on Friday and Saturday. Artworks by MadLabs, Ottomata, Anaisa Franco Studio, Tine Bech Studio and Scot Distefano / Verve Multi will be on display.

For more information, visit IGNITEBroward.com.



- 1. 4TH DIMENSION by OLO creative farm
- 2. Luminescent Sylva by MadLabs
- 3. Sirens by Studio McGuire

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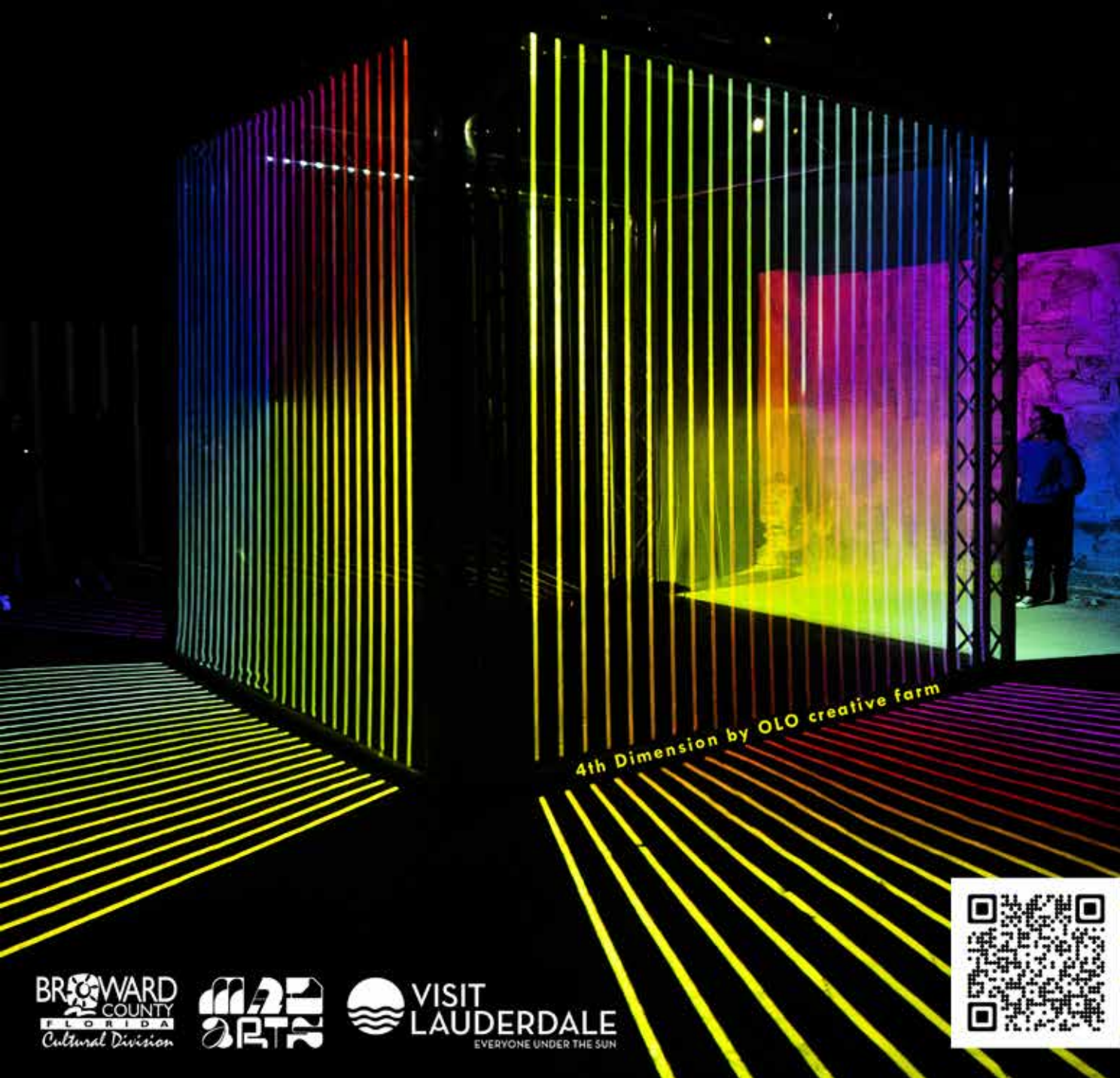


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In today's market, with multi-step skincare routines being all the rage, many skincare brands have used this as an opportunity to push as many products on consumers as possible. But what if you could get the same or even better results with fewer products that boast only the most nourishing ingredients that your skin craves? This is what Wendy Osty wants to achieve with her company, Osty Skincare. Growing up in China, Osty was a professional dancer for China's premier national performing arts group where she even performed for former presidents Ronald Reagan and George H.W. Bush.

With that, she became well-versed in the importance of keeping her skin clear under heavy stage makeup which ultimately helped her get her first job stateside at Estee Lauder.

"In 1994, my husband and I moved from Chicago to Quincy, Illinois. At the time, I was trying to find a job and the one thing I knew I was good at was skincare and how to do makeup. So, I went to Carson's department store, and the coordinator asked me to do her makeup. So, I did that and when I was done, she said, 'Oh, you're hired.' That was my first job at the Estee Lauder counter," said Osty.

Osty quickly rose through their ranks becoming an orientation coach, beauty adviser, national makeup artist and eventually an account executive overseeing sales to Neiman Marcus. Before long, other industry titans heard word of Osty's talents, and she was brought on to La Prairie as their account executive.

As she grew her expertise and a loyal clientele, she started to consider creating her own skincare line by combining her decades of experience in the skincare industry and generational herbal tea recipes passed on from her grandfather.

"One of my clients who had been with me for 17 years at this point said to me, 'You're so good, why don't you start your own business and use your grandfather's herbal recipe?' So, I went back home to talk to my grandfather, and he gave me a list of ingredients and herbs that have been used in Eastern medicine for thousands of years. Using those ingredients and working with a chemist for over two years, I was able to develop my first serum," she said.


With that, Osty launched Osty Skincare with her first product, the ageless hydrator serum, which was a hit with her clients.

Today, Osty Skincare has expanded to offer an activated



charcoal bar soap, an exfoliating bar soap, a cleansing mask, a complexion-clearing mask, and one of her most popular products – her ultimate ampoules which uses biotechnology to address visible signs of aging while supporting the skin's natural functions.

Yet, what makes her products so popular with her clients is that they meet what she believes are the crucial components needed in skincare – essential, easy to use and effective.

"I care deeply about my clients and only offer the absolute essentials in their skincare. You don't need a five-step skincare routine so, with Osty Skincare, I am proud to share skincare products that are simple yet effective," said Osty. 

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STATE OF OUR WORKFORCE

LOCAL EMPLOYERS PARTICIPATE IN JOB FAIR JAN. 24

One of the main areas of concern for employers remains finding talent for open positions.

To address this and other needs, the Greater Fort Lauderdale Chamber of Commerce is partnering with other Broward Chambers and CareerSource Broward to produce the First Annual State of Our Workforce Breakfast and Job Fair to be held Jan. 24 at the Convention Center.

Up to 100 employers will be participating in the job fair which will attract many of the 33,897 job seekers in our market. Registration begins at \$50 for the breakfast and goes up from there for special bundles to include a table at the breakfast marketplace and job fair. Go to www.ftlchamber.com/workforce for specific information.

Current participants include but are not limited to: Broward Health, International Union of Operating Engineers Local 487, Visit Lauderdale, Advanced Roofing, Economos Properties, Florida Atlantic Research and Development Authority, The Las Olas Company and Riverside Hotel, and the City of Fort Lauderdale.

Speakers include Rob Petrosino, who will speak on “Revolutionize Your Workplace with AI Insights,” and CareerSource Florida President and CEO Adrienne Johnston,

who will review the state of our workforce from her view.

Petrosino’s session will provide actionable insights that can be realistically implemented, making AI accessible to all. Discover how businesses can navigate the AI wave with confidence, leveraging it not as a luxury but as a strategic tool to drive growth.

“Empowering communities through strategic workforce development, our First Annual State of the Workforce Development Breakfast unites stakeholders to inspire innovation, cultivate talent, and shape a brighter future for our local workforce,” said Carol Hylton, president and CEO of CareerSource Broward.

The Broward County Council of Chambers is a consortium of chambers throughout our 31 cities that help drive our economy through their program of work. For this workforce event there are currently eight Chambers participating in this event representing thousands of companies from small to large.

There are 1,087,798 employed in Broward County with a total labor force of 1,121,695 which are up 3 percent and 4 percent respectively. The gap between the number of jobs and those looking narrowed the second half of 2023 which is a good thing.

Issues hampering stronger talent access relates to housing, transportation and overall cost of living, to name three areas. The average rent for a one-bedroom apartment in downtown Fort Lauderdale is \$2,657, according to Rent Café. The median rent is \$2,000, according to Zumper (median means half were higher, half less).

“This annual workforce event will bring the business community together to learn more about available resources to improve and develop a robust workforce from within our region,” said Heiko Dobrikow, chair of the CareerSource Broward Workforce Development Board. “Embracing AI and automation plus the job fair are bonuses.”

CareerSource Broward is our public partner for our workforce and is federally-funded but locally controlled. It provides employment solutions and superior workforce services to businesses and individuals. These services are delivered through three strategically located career centers, which provide individual assistance with the Employ Florida website, job placement services, career coaching and other employment-related services.

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MEET MONIQUE RICHTER

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Spend any time on or near Fort Lauderdale waterways and no doubt a streamlined sportfishing boat or stately superyacht has caught your eye. Beyond the stunning lines of these vessels, their transoms are often what garners attention. Stylized boat names glittering in goldleaf under the Florida sun, colorful designs featuring prized marlins and other artistic flourishes are all on full display – sometimes all on the same boat.

Chances are, these eye-catching transom masterpieces are the results of one woman – Fort Lauderdale artist and native Monique Richter. She's known worldwide in boating circles for two things – her unmatched talent at creating hyper-realistic faux teak finishes and using gold and platinum leaf to turn boat names into stylish works of art that harken back to a bygone era.



The foundation for Richter's career as arguably the most sought-after boat artist in the world began at a young age. At just two years old, Richter's mom handed her paintbrushes and began teaching her the painting techniques that would serve Richter so well in subsequent years.

Richter painted throughout high school and college, mostly canvases and murals featuring her signature vibrant color palette and favorite subjects — sunsets, salt water and sea life. She began selling her art, often at venues on Las Olas, sometimes commissioned for projects to adorn the walls of businesses and private homes in the area.

She's always painted, but her budding art career eventually took a backseat to other pursuits. She enjoyed a long, successful pro wakeboarding career until a broken toe sidelined her ambitions. She went on to earn her captain's license and helm large boats for private clients throughout the Caribbean. It was on one such excursion to the Bahamas when a chance sighting of a passing boat with a faux teak transom paint job reignited her artistic passion. She was so motivated by the possibilities of what she saw that she handed in her resignation notice and charted a new career course.

Richter returned to Fort Lauderdale, convinced she could master the faux teak painting technique and turn her love of fine art into her career. She reached out to boat building legend Roy Merritt who, after seeing her early faux teak work samples, realized her potential. He teamed her up with his woodworkers, and Richter focused on refining her technique to achieve ultra-realistic results. It wasn't long before she was regularly applying her faux teak artistry to the transoms of Merritt sportfishing yachts.

Once she mastered faux teak, she realized the age-old technique of using gold leaf to craft boat name lettering was a natural complement to her painted backdrops. She learned the craft from Fort Lauderdale-based John Teeto, widely considered one of the best gold leaf artists in the world. He helped her refine her approach, and today Richter is also recognized as a master at gold and platinum leaf application.

Her work soon caught the eye of other boat builders, along with well-heeled private boat owners. She quickly became the boat artist everyone wanted, and her schedule quickly filled.

Her energetic personality and ability to manage a seven-day workweek saw her flying around the world to add artistic flourish to boats owned by celebrities, singers, athletes and other high-profile customers. These customers, impressed with her precision and work ethic, recruited her to also adorn their planes and homes with her signature style. ©

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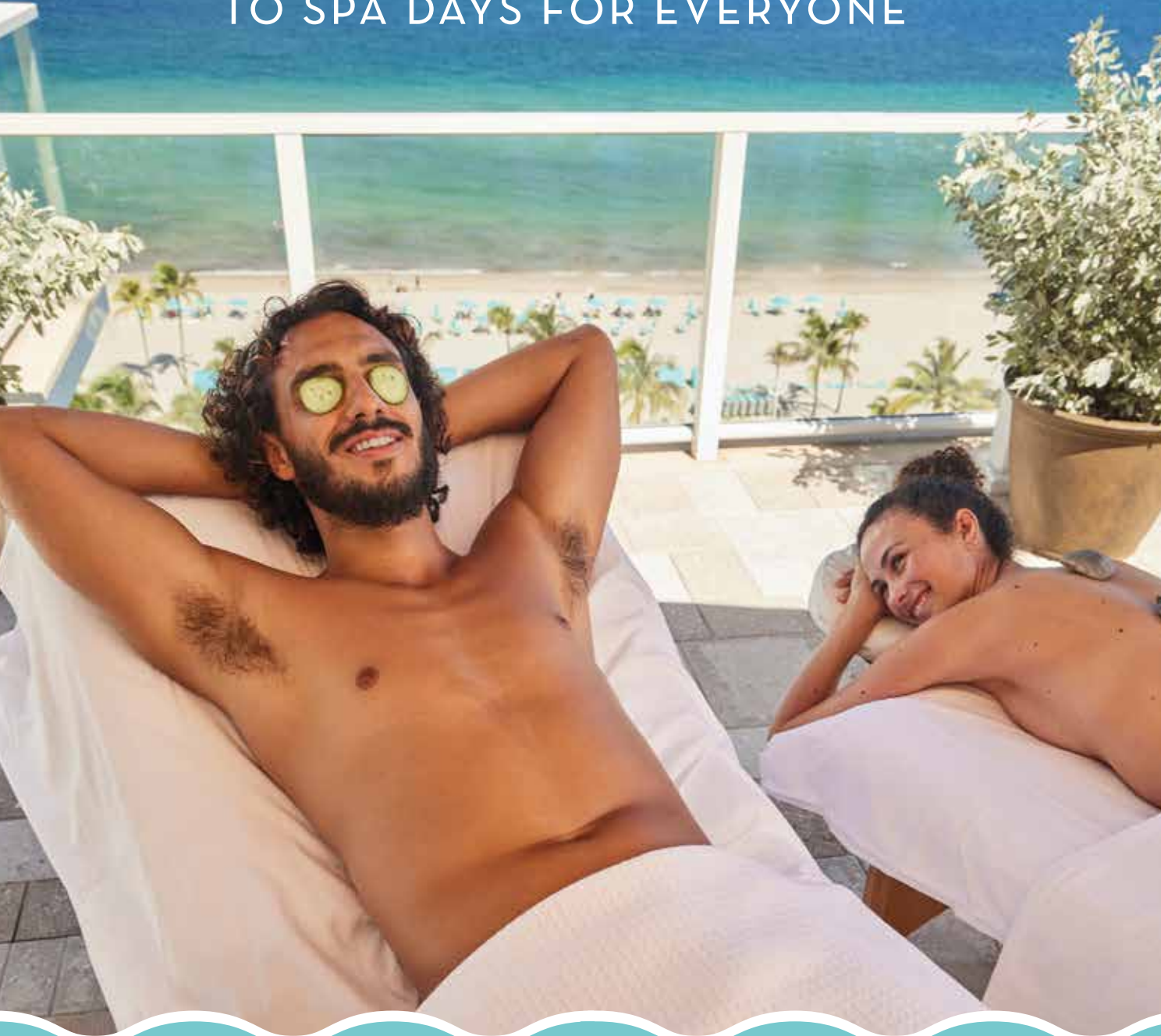
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FORT LAUDERDALE ARTIST RESIDENCIES

ORGANIZATIONS CULTIVATE SPACES FOR ARTISTS TO CREATE

WRITER MADELAINE K. BOYER

Everywhere you look in Fort Lauderdale, art can be found. Whether that is visual art displayed in galleries and museums or performance art that can be seen in theaters and music halls. However, even for the most successful and prolific artists, a place to create and showcase their art is hard to come by. Studio and rehearsal spaces can be expensive to rent or are simply not readily available.

With that, a few organizations have taken it upon themselves to offer artists in need residencies within their spaces to create, display and in some cases perform their art for their audiences.

Las Olas Capital Arts

Las Olas Capital Arts is a nonprofit organization dedicated to supporting the arts in the Fort Lauderdale community.

“When my husband and I opened Las Olas Capital Advisors which is our wealth management firm, I wanted to give back to the community in some way, but more specifically the arts community which I am so passionate about,” said Jodi Tanner, Las Olas Capital Arts founder and curator.

“So, I decided to open Las Olas Capital Arts and it’s our program where I can support, promote and exhibit local and emerging artists at my space here on Las Olas,” she said.

Through their residency program, an artist is selected from their pool of possible candidates. Once chosen, the artist’s work will be on display and for sale at the Las Olas Capital Advisors office space for four months. At the end of the four months, Las Olas Capital Arts holds an artist’s reception and the artist receives 100 percent of the proceeds from any pieces sold.

Their current artist in residence is Lori Pratico, who is a painter and muralist whose preferred medium is acrylics although she has also produced work on graphite and pastels for some of her older collections.

“We’ve been doing this for about nine years now and we’ve had 21 solo artist exhibits. It’s something I’m so proud of because we are not only able to support and promote an artist’s business, but we help them engage more with the community as well,” she said.



Las Olas Capital Arts

ARTISTS: Lori Pratico

HOMETOWN: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

MEDIUM: Acrylics on canvas

ART LOCATION: Las Olas Capital Advisors
888 E. Las Olas Blvd., #200, Fort Lauderdale

Broward Cultural Division

The Broward Cultural Division advances arts and culture locally by investing in the creative sector and providing capacity-building opportunities for those in the art community. Through various grant programs, they can support eligible artists, nonprofit organizations and municipalities to promote the sustainability and development of the arts and culture in Broward County.

Recently, the Broward Cultural Division created the Artist Innovation Grant, in collaboration with the Community Foundation, to provide professional and established artists of all disciplines the opportunity to create new and experimental art projects in public spaces throughout Fort Lauderdale.

“This idea spawned when FatVillage went under construction which meant a lot of artists were being displaced,” said Erica Mohan, former contact grant administrator for the Broward Cultural Division.

“But even before that, studio spaces in Broward are always scarce. So, the idea came to me of creating an artist residency program where artists could use unused government spaces to create and display their work.”

Their first resident artist, Pablo Matute and his art, can be seen on display at the Broward County Library.

“Pablo is the first artist for our residency at the main library and he has three and a half months to work and exhibit in the space and he is currently creating a whole new art installation using palm leaves,” she said. For their pilot year of the program, 10 individual artists have received funding to produce projects now through Sept. 30.



Broward Cultural Division

ARTIST: Pablo Matute

HOMETOWN: Hialeah

MEDIUM: Mixed media

ART LOCATION: Broward County Main Library
100 S. Andrews Ave., Fort Lauderdale

PHOTOS PROVIDED BY PABLO MATUTE

Destination Sistrunk Cultural Center

To create more opportunities for the exploration of Black culture and heritage throughout Broward County, the nonprofit organization Destination Sistrunk Cultural and Community Investment Partnership joined the Broward County Cultural Division to establish the Destination Sistrunk Cultural Center.

“In my role as the director of community engagement at the cultural division, I oversee our initiatives in arts education and cultural heritage,” said Grace Kewl, Destination Sistrunk program director.

“With that, we created Destination Sistrunk to serve as our flagship cultural heritage initiative to advance arts and culture, historic preservation and tourism in historically Black neighborhoods along with the hope of fostering similar kinds of initiatives in other neighborhoods.”

Today, the cultural center offers artist residency programs for individuals, businesses and organizations whose work aligns with the mission and purpose of the program area.

With a focus on music, performing arts and fashion, some of their residency programs include the Songfest Industry

Program, the Spoken is the Word Music Industry Program and the Sistrunk Fashion Program.

“We have a strong focus on fashion, music and the performing arts because it’s more common to have visual arts spaces than spaces dedicated to performing arts. Performing artists simply require more space to cultivate their craft so we created this location for artists to use before they grow, refine and comfortably move to perform in larger performance spaces,” Kewel said.



Destination Sistrunk Cultural Center

PROGRAMS AND GALLERIES: Songfest Industry Program, Spoken is the Word Music Industry Program, Sistrunk Fashion Program, Alberta Tucker Gallery of Black Art

ARTISTS INCLUDE: Tara Chadwick, Tayina Deraville

MEDIUMS: Music, spoken word, fashion, visual

LOCATION: Destination Sistrunk
1033 N.W. Sixth St., Fort Lauderdale

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ANIMAL ARTISTS

MODS OTTERS FIND ENRICHMENT THROUGH PAINTING

WRITER MADELAINE K. BOYER

The Museum of Discovery and Science is home to some of the most unique artists that can be found in Fort Lauderdale — their resident otters.

“Since our North American river otters are small mammals, they are wild animals, but they are also intelligent to the extent that they need behavioral enrichment,” said Dane Tullock, MODS director of life sciences. “We offer them this kind of enrichment in a few different ways including creating a diverse behavioral environment for them to live in that replicates a Central Florida estuarine environment.

“One of the more fun enrichment activities we do with the otters that guests can be a part of is our otter painting.”

The paintings are created by using nontoxic paint which the otters are encouraged to walk through and then over the canvases. The creations are sold in the MODS gift shop.

“I like to call it abstract art because the otters create shapes and splotches with their footprints. Once they're finished, we stamp the back of the paintings and sign the name of the otter who painted it so the guests can know exactly which otter made it. It's kind of a cool way to give interactive enrichment to our animals, but also provide a product for our guests,” Tullock said.

Currently, MODS has two otters in residence, Peach, 6,

and Toosie, 2, who also happen to be mother and daughter.

“They came to us in October of this year from our sister facility in Flamingo Gardens. Most otters will live in the wild between eight and 12 years, but we have a long history with our otters living into their 20s. So, we got Peach and Toosie in exchange for our previous otter, Joey, so he could live out his twilight years in Flamingo Gardens,” he said.

MODS guests can get involved with the otters through the museum's Breakfast with the Otters program. In addition to a catered breakfast, the event features an otter talk, an outdoor training session, activity tables for guests to create a group enrichment item for the otters to enjoy and a special guest appearance by their resident otters.

Everyone who participates in the Breakfast with the Otters goes home with an original otter painting.

“It allows guests to learn more and get a deeper understanding of the otters. We have an animal husbandry specialist who does a presentation and then we also demonstrate how we feed and train the otters,” Tullock said. 🐾



MODS Breakfast with the Otters

DATE: Saturday, April 13

TIME: 9 a.m. to 10 a.m.

LOCATION: Museum of Discovery and Science AutoNation IMAX 3D Theater

COST: \$75 per person

DETAILS: Space is limited.

Pre-registration required.

WEBSITE: www.mods.org/otterbreakfast



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YMCA OF SOUTH FLORIDA'S 9TH ANNUAL VETERANS DAY SALUTE

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BROWARD PERFORMING ARTS FOUNDATION'S ANNUAL RECEPTION

The Broward Performing Arts Foundation added a Sunday brunch to its annual reception this year to kick off the 2023-2024 performance season.



MICHELLE HOWLAND, MIKE JACKSON AND ALICE JACKSON



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GUY HARVEY FOUNDATION'S STATE OF THE OCEAN EVENT

The Guy Harvey Foundation celebrated 15 years of accomplishments and advancements in marine science education and ocean conservation research during a cocktail reception and dinner for donors, supporters and partners at the Lauderdale Yacht Club.



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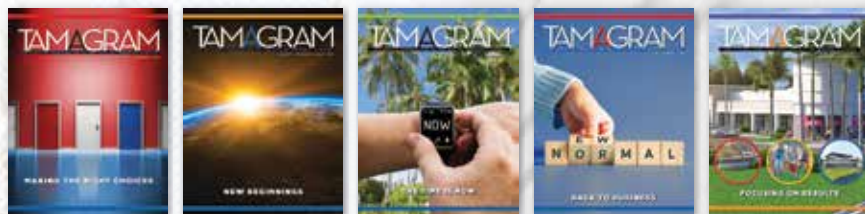
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LITTLE SISTER MILANIA WITH HER FAMILY



LITTLE SISTER KAMILA



LITTLE SISTER LEYAH

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NSU BROWARD CENTER OF INNOVATION

The Alan B. Levan I NSU Broward Center of Innovation and eMerge Americas hosted the second annual South Florida Innovation Day on Nov.15.



ALAN LEVAN, MICHAEL UDINE AND JOHN WENSVEEN



ALAN B. LEVAN NSU BROWARD CENTER OF INNOVATION TEAM MEMBERS



JONATHAN WOLFE, TERESA GRANDAL, EDUARDO J. PADRÓN AND CAMILO PADRÓN

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MISSION UNITED

Mission United distributed nearly 500 Thanksgiving meals to military veterans on Nov. 20.



ANDREW ADAMS, ARMY, WITH ANDREW AND ANDRE



VOLUNTEERS AND STAFF DURING OPERATION TURKEY DINNER



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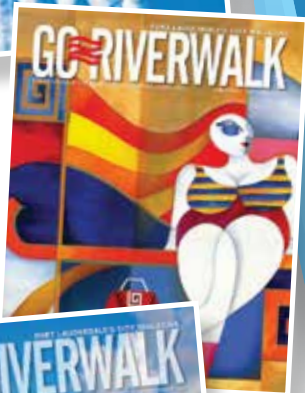
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The Las Olas Association presented the 61st Annual Christmas on Las on Nov. 28.



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BREAKFAST FOR CHAMPIONS OF THE HOMELESS

The Leo Goodwin Foundation and the Fort Lauderdale Chamber of Commerce Downtown Council hosted the Broward Partnership Breakfast for Champions of the Homeless on Dec. 1.



JENNY DEBORJA AND EARL BOSWORTH

LAMAR FISHER, DEAN TRANTALIS, NICHOLE ANDERSON,
NAN RICH AND CHIP LAMARCA

TERRI CHADDERTON, SANTA AND KEN ORTNER

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HUMANE SOCIETY OF BROWARD COUNTY

Excel Construction of Florida hosted a holiday lunch for Humane Society of Broward County.



THANKSGIVING LUNCH AT HUMANE
SOCIETY OF BROWARD COUNTY

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