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NEWLY PRICED ASHLEY | \$1,695,000
3 BEDROOM + 3.5 BATH

Right on the water! Direct eye level river views from the oversized terrace, bringing the boating activity right to your balcony. Unique to this residence, parking space & storage are on the same level as the unit.

ASHLEY | \$1,695,000
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South East Corner Right on the River! This modified split floor plan features custom built-ins, Poggenpohl cabinetry, 2 terraces & unobstructed river views! 3 assigned parking spaces & storage cage.

JUST SOLD! CHAMPAGNE
2 BEDROOM + 2.5 BATH + OFFICE

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NEWLY PRICED BRADFORD | \$1,175,000
2 BEDROOM + 2 BATH

Direct River Views from Every room! Beautifully appointed Bradford floor plan with an expanded 49-foot glass balcony overlooking the water. Polished marble floors, neutral pallet kitchen with Poggenpohl cabinetry.



JUST LISTED! 3 BEDROOM 2 BATHS | \$849,000

Total remodel! New marble bathrooms with new showers & bathtub, custom cabinets including upgraded plumbing & fixtures. New kitchen cabinets with marble backsplash, 36x36 porcelain tile flooring, electric window treatments, new balcony tiles & acoustic ceiling design in living area.

NEWLY PRICED 2 BEDROOM 2 BATHS | \$600,000

Direct River Views! Every Day is a boat Parade. Unique floor plan with 2 Bedrooms & 2 Baths PLUS a flexible Den/Office space. Every Room has floor to ceiling glass sliders leading to the river facing terrace. Tile & Wood Floors, split bedroom floor plan, massive walk-in closets. Move-in Ready!

NEWLY PRICED 2 BEDROOM 2 BATHS | \$545,000

Largest 2 Bedroom 2 Bath Floorplan in the building. Enjoy the sunsets over the New River from your waterfront Terrace. Light & Bright Corner Unit Spacious in size with 1379 sqft of interior space & tile flooring.

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JUST LISTED! 1BD 1BA | \$608,000

The perfect pied-à-terre, right on the river, located in the heart of Las Olas & in downtown Fort Lauderdale's premier luxury highrise. Open living spaces, saturday floors, floor to ceiling glass windows in every room & large covered terrace with unobstructed river views.

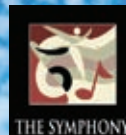
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JUST LISTED! 2 BD 2.5 BA | \$2,395,000

2 Bedroom/ 2.5 Bath Ocean Views from Every Room! Just Breathtaking! Huge Terrace overlooking the Ocean, all the way down to Miami with Sunset views over the City Skyline. Recently Refreshed, this Premier oceanfront property is a MUST SEE! Private Elevator Entry, floor-to-ceiling Glass Throughout, Modern Kitchen with open concept, Spacious Sleek Design, Split Bedroom Floor Plan, Custom Ceilings, Lighting, Closets, Window Treatments! Every Detail Complete! Full-Service Building!



JUST LISTED! 2 BEDROOM 2.5 BATHS | \$795,000

Modern Redesign! Corner Unit with Wrap Around Terrace overlooking the River, Pool & City! Porcelain tile floors, motorized window treatments, glossy white cabinetry, full backsplash & quartz countertops.



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JUST LISTED! RIVERSIDE | \$1,275,000

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NEWLY PRICED SEAVIEW | \$899,000

Impeccable custom remodel with ocean, river and city views. 3 Bedroom 2 Bath with Designer finishes, large eat in kitchen with waterfall quartz countertops, custom cabinets, electric window treatments, fully renovated bathrooms, built in closets and more!

NEWLY PRICED SEAVIEW | \$899,000

Right on the River! This 3 Bedroom 2 Bath Residence features Direct River Views and 2 Waterfront Terraces. A South East Exposure captures Sunrises and Sunsets. Tandem Parking for 2 cars & Storage

JUST LISTED! SEAVIEW | \$869,000

3 Bedroom 2 Bath South East Corner! Sought After Views of the Ocean, Intracoastal and River! Two Terraces overlooking the River with Sunrises and Sunsets! Amazing opportunity! Walk In Closets, Floor to Ceiling Glass, Tile Floors, Spacious Floor Plan!

JUST LISTED! SEAVIEW | \$869,000

South East Corner with Direct River Views! 3 Bedroom 2 Bath with Two Exposures and Two Terraces for Sunrise and Sunsets. Floor to Ceiling glass sliders, Walk In Closets, Dual Vanities, Walk in Shower and an open floor plan perfect for entertaining.

NEWLY PRICED SEAVIEW | \$795,000

Spacious High Floor 3 Bedroom 2 Bath Residence with Spectacular Views of the River, Ocean, City & Port Everglades. Upgraded Kitchen with Stainless Appliances, 2 Terraces with East & West Exposure.

NEWLY PRICED STARDUST | \$749,000

Fabulous Ocean & River Views! 2 Bedroom 2 Bath featuring wood floors, motorized window treatments & tandem parking for 2 cars!

UNDER CONTRACT RIVERSIDE

2 Bedroom 2 Bathroom Plus Den on a High Floor with Amazing Ocean, Intracoastal & River Views. Beautiful New White Porcelain Flooring. Expansive Terrace, Floor to Ceiling Glass. Open Split Floor Plan.

UNDER CONTRACT RIVERSIDE

2 Bedroom 2 Bathroom Plus Den Perched on the 24th floor with Captivating Water Views! Open Split Floor Plan with a Spacious Terrace overlooking it all! Over 1600sqft with Floor to Ceiling Glass.

UNDER CONTRACT MOONGLOW

Direct River Views from this Moonglow Floor Plan. 2 Bedrooms & 2 Baths, Open Living Spaces, Split bedroom floor plan, expansive wrap around glass terrace overlooking the Ocean, Intracoastal & River.

UNDER CONTRACT STARDUST

Total Remodel! 2 Bedroom 2 Bath Split floor plan with 10ft ceilings. River & Gardens views. Birch Wood Floors & motorized shades.

UNDER CONTRACT SEAVIEW

Direct River Views! 2 Exposures & 2 Terraces for Sunrise & Sunsets. 3 Bedroom 2 bath featuring Floor to Ceiling glass sliders.

UNDER CONTRACT SEAVIEW

South East Corner! Sought After Views of the Ocean, Intracoastal & River! 2 Terraces overlooking the River with Sunrises & Sunsets!



JUST LISTED! GRAND PENTHOUSE

3 BEDROOM 3 BATH | \$3,595,000

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JUST LISTED! GRAND PENTHOUSE

3 BEDROOM 2 BATH | \$1,800,000

Opportunity Awaits! High in the Sky, this Grand Penthouse Residence is over 2,000 sqft of Outstanding Ocean & City Views! Marble Floors, Open Kitchen, Marble Baths, Custom Lighting & Floor to Ceiling Glass Sliders leading out to an Expansive Terrace. 2 Parking Spaces Included!



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Outstanding Victoria Park location on a Corner Lot! This Tri-Level TH features modern sleek finishes. Completely upgraded, interior elevator, high gloss porcelain tiles, 2 car garage & parking for 3 cars on brick paved drive, impact windows & doors. Two terraces & outdoor lanai.

JUST LISTED! 3 BEDROOM 2.5 BATH | \$1,195,000

This Corner Townhouse in Victoria Park Features a Private Pool, Wood and Tile Floors, Vaulted Ceilings, Living Areas on the First Floor, Open Kitchen Concept, Walk In Closets, Brick Paved Walkway Private Fenced Yard.



EXPLORE SUMMER ADVENTURES ON LAS OLAS

PLAN YOUR (CULINARY) STAYCATION

South Florida's steamy summers offer a break from visitors and a slowdown in life, even when locals can't get away to cooler climates. As you plan for summer breaks in routine, look no further than exploring downtown Fort Lauderdale, where the restaurant scene is anything but routine.

The last six months have seen an acceleration of Fort Lauderdale's ongoing culinary evolution, reverberating from one end of Las Olas to the other. Starting with the opening of Catch and Cut in December and continuing through to UKIAH Japanese Smokehouse in May, Las Olas and downtown Fort Lauderdale are seeing a wave of new culinary visions to tempt locals this summer and beyond.

Ocean Prime – 171 Las Olas Circle

Situated on the Intracoastal Waterway, Ocean Prime is “redefining waterfront dining” with outdoor dining on two floors, and stunning views of downtown Fort Lauderdale and our waterways from the second story.

Catch and Cut – 1309 E. Las Olas Blvd.

Catch and Cut is a “destination for those seeking a transcendent culinary experience,” whether enjoying Florida stone crabs and fresh seafood, the finest cuts of meat or their sushi and raw bar.

Earl's Kitchen – 1002 E. Las Olas Blvd.

A “collection of independently compelling restaurants,” each Earl's Kitchen reflects its community, with the Las Olas location offering a Modern American menu inspired by Fort Lauderdale's breezy, seaside lifestyle.

Sixty Vines – 800 E. Las Olas Blvd.

Billing itself as the “winemaker's restaurant,” Sixty Vines delivers cuisine inspired by wine country to pair with their 60 wines on tap, including offerings from Wine Spectator's annual Top 100 Wines.

Elba Las Olas – 250 S.E. Sixth Ave.

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TIMBR – 15 W. Las Olas Blvd.

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Mykonos – 305 S. Andrews Ave

“Embrace the joy of gathering” at Mykonos, where the essence of the Greek islands meets the sophistication of Fort Lauderdale's waterfront Riverwalk.

UKIAH Japanese Steakhouse – 221 S.W. First Ave.

UKIAH offers a unique menu of “Japanese soul food mixed with American BBQ,” while bringing a neighborhood restaurant vibe to the Riverwalk.

Plan on taking some time during these quiet summer months to explore and support the many new eateries on or adjacent to Las Olas and the Riverwalk, and throughout our great community. @



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Staycations – work, fun, rest? It means different things to different people. Fort Lauderdale is home to summer weather year-round and the temperatures vary some to provide a hint of seasons. Summer is the traditional time for vacations based on school and work schedules but in this case, we are talking about how you spend that time.

For some a staycation means stay at home vacation – rest, relax, day trips or doing long overdue chores or home improvements that have been on the to-do list. For others it means finding a local spot for a few days of respite and some “me” time. Our magazine team has been looking at unusual ways and places to spend that time and it was an interesting read to see that Tripadvisor listed local “quiet” resorts to be considered. The tag line was Staycation Perks: Vacation in your backyard with a definition of a vacation you take at or near your home. The listings offered went from beach stays to guest houses to hotels in a premiere shopping district. All the listings coordinated with local entertainment close by to fill in the free time. Also provided were culinary options from fine dining to food trucks to local ice cream parlors to more.

Bowling, swimming, boating, sightseeing and more are readily available in your own “backyard” – things and places you might not have taken the time to see or do. There are many spa services offered as well as classes, sports, visual performance options as well as some particularly good movies.

The prices for staycations can vary from as little as staying in your own home to selecting the level of expense and comfort you might want. Fort Lauderdale is known as a destination for those from all over the world but

for those of us who live here all the time, we sometimes forget that we live in paradise – time to stop of “smell the roses” and enjoy the “destination” we call home 🌴

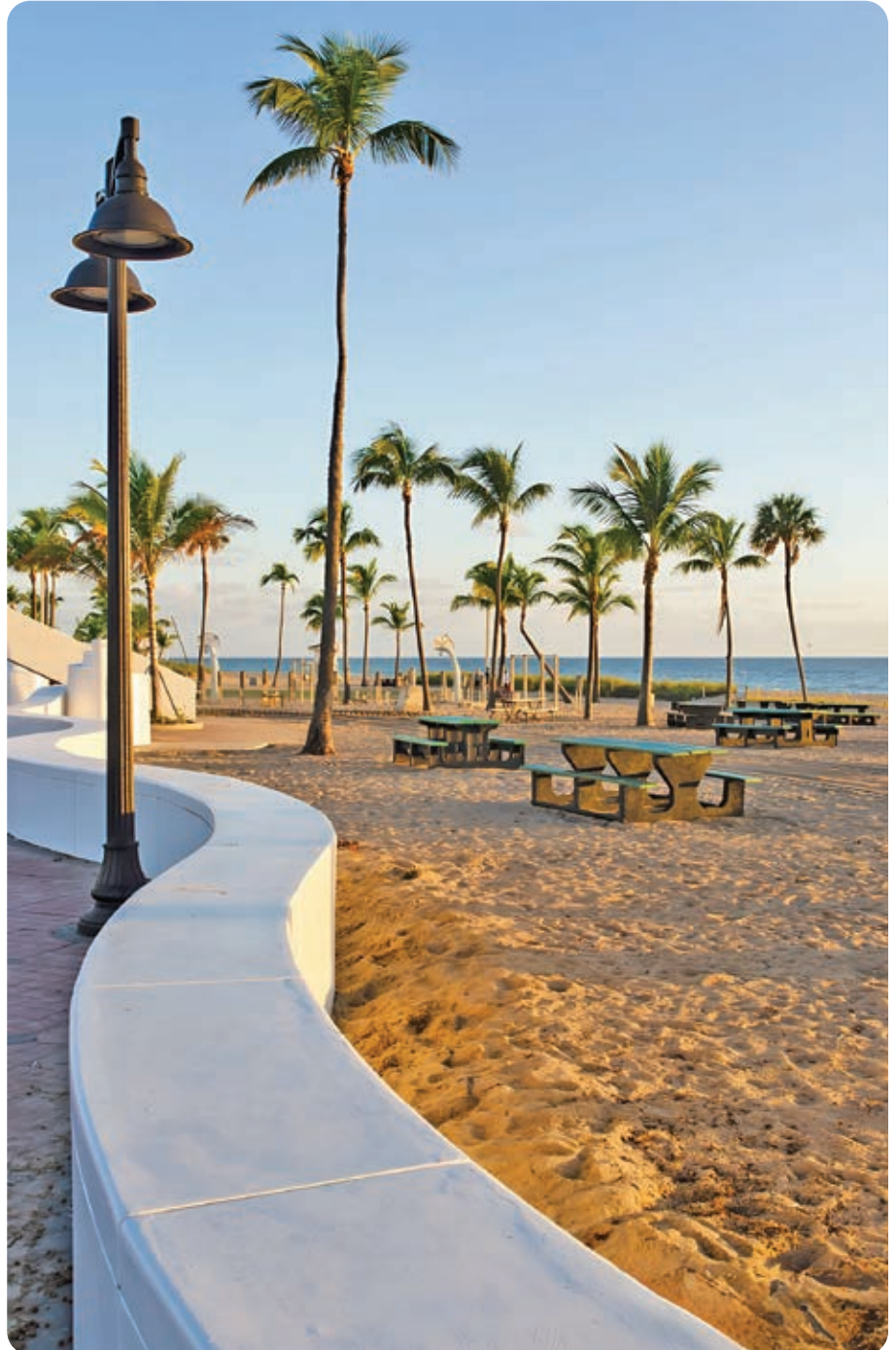


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A sixth-generation Broward County native, Kiess is the grandson of longtime Fort Lauderdale High School football coach and marine biology teacher Bill Haynes, and the son of a Broward Sheriff's Office firefighter. This deep-rooted legacy of public service inspires his commitment to building projects that strengthen and serve the community.

A proud graduate of Broward County Public Schools, Kiess has led dozens of school construction projects across the district, driven by a personal passion to give back to the system that helped shape him.

Now raising two young sons in Broward, Kiess brings both a professional and personal investment to his work. He is an active supporter of Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale, aligning with its mission to foster a vibrant, connected downtown along the New River.

Whether revitalizing city skylines or reinvesting in public institutions, Kiess leads with purpose — grounded in integrity, collaboration, and a deep respect for the community he proudly calls home.

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RIVERWALK CELEBRATES THE 25TH ANNUAL RIVERWALK TRIBUTE

The 25th annual Riverwalk Tribute was held on Thursday, May 1, at the Riverside Hotel. Riverwalk members, partners and business and community leaders joined with Riverwalk and the City of Fort Lauderdale in recognizing our 2025 honorees:

- Lisa Lutoff-Perlo — best-selling author and former president and CEO, Celebrity Cruises
- Melissa Milroy — Senior marketing manager, Galleria Fort Lauderdale/JLL
- Ed Smoker — President, E. J. Smoker and Associates
- Dean Trantalis, Esq. — Mayor, City of Fort Lauderdale and Trantalis & Associates

Riverwalk was presented a proclamation from the City of Fort Lauderdale recognizing the 25th anniversary of Riverwalk Tribute, the lasting legacy of leadership, vision and community pride that has propelled the Riverwalk to become a central feature of our growing community, and all our distinguished honorees over the past 25 years.

Riverwalk expresses our deep gratitude to our volunteers, members, partners, sponsors, silent auction contributors and everyone who joined us as we celebrated our 2025 honorees and the 25th anniversary of the Riverwalk Tribute.



2025 Tribute honorees: Lisa Lutoff-Perlo, Ed Smoker, Melissa Milroy and Mayor Dean Trantalis



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HEAD TO NORTH BEACH

YOU'LL FIND A CHARMING CITY SPOT


A staycation in Fort Lauderdale offers the perfect mix of relaxation and fun, especially when centered around the vibrant North Beach Restaurants and Shoppes on Northeast 32nd and 33rd Street. This charming pocket of the city, just steps from the ocean, brings together everything you'd want in a laid-back coastal escape: good food, local culture, unique shopping and year-round events that bring the neighborhood to life. Whether you're spending a long weekend or just

indulging in some well-earned local downtime, the North Beach area offers a refreshing change of pace without ever having to leave town.

The streets around Northeast 32nd and 33rd are always buzzing, especially during special events. One highlight is the Fort Lauderdale Beach North Arts and Crafts Fair, which typically rolls in during February. These streets turn into an open-air market, filled with colorful booths from more than 100 artisans selling

everything from handmade jewelry and pottery to coastal-themed décor. Add in live music and a variety of food vendors and it's easy to lose a whole afternoon exploring. Another beloved event is "Light Up the Galt," a holiday celebration that brings the community together with live entertainment, a kids' zone and festive specials from neighborhood bars and restaurants. It's a local tradition that feels both cozy and exciting — exactly the kind of experience that makes a staycation feel special.

Outside of events, North Beach's everyday offerings are just as compelling. The dining scene is a highlight, with more than a dozen restaurants serving everything from fresh seafood and gourmet burgers to Latin American and Mediterranean cuisine. After eating, you can stroll through the nearby boutiques and specialty shops, many of which carry one-of-a-kind finds you won't see in bigger malls or tourist-heavy areas.

A staycation centered around the North Beach Restaurants and Shoppes is the perfect way to reconnect with the city and treat yourself to a mini vacation without the stress of travel. Whether you're discovering local art, enjoying live music, savoring fresh coastal cuisine, or just watching the sun dip below the horizon, this little slice of Fort Lauderdale has everything you need to feel refreshed, inspired and totally at home. 



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A TASTE OF SUMMER

STAYCATIONS: THINGS TO DO THIS SUMMER IN FORT LAUDERDALE

As a mother, neighbor and public servant, I look forward to summer for so many reasons. First, the commission recess gives our hardworking staff a chance to slow the pace, shift gears from the usual administrative hustle and focus on wrapping up the fiscal year. Second, with the end of the school year comes the start of summer camps, long weekends, spontaneous adventures and the occasional vacation.

But more than anything, summer sparks a mindset of curiosity and experimentation — I find myself wanting to try new things, explore local gems and revisit the classic Fort Lauderdale spots that always bring my family joy.

Sure, I'd love to be soaking up the sun in the Caribbean, a cool drink in hand, toes buried in the sand while the kids splash nearby and my husband and I relax poolside. But truthfully, I'll be spending most of my summer right here at home — and that's not a bad thing! Fort Lauderdale is bursting with staycation possibilities, and I highly recommend taking advantage of them. Whether you're flying solo, spending time with family, or catching up with friends, here are a few of my favorite ways to savor summer in our city:

Fourth of July on the Beach

Our Independence Day celebration has become a must-do for my family. Fort Lauderdale's Fourth of July event is the highlight of our summer beach outings. The Parks and Recreation team truly knocks it out of the park with games, performances, waterslides and a strong, friendly

FLPD presence — all designed to create that unforgettable block-party atmosphere. We often book a stay at one of the beachfront hotels along A1A so we can walk back and forth with ease. There are many great options to choose from!

A Taste Tour of Las Olas

When we're not traveling, my husband and I like to pretend we're tourists in our own city. A day strolling Las Olas always hits the spot. We revisit our favorite restaurants and try new ones — we never run out of options! From Earl's Kitchen and Timbr to Ocean Prime, Voodoo Bayou, Big City Tavern, Rocco's Tacos and El Camino, the dining scene here is unbeatable. Want to make your outing even more fun? Park west of Second Avenue and hop aboard the Water Trolley to cruise down to Sixth Avenue (near Cheesecake Factory). From there, you're perfectly placed to indulge in the flavors of Fort Lauderdale. And don't skip dessert — Gelato & Co. on Las Olas is pure magic!

Getting Around in Style

One of the best parts of a Fort Lauderdale staycation is how easy it is to get around without driving everywhere. Our Transportation and Mobility Department offers a variety of fun and convenient options.

- **The Water Trolley** lets you explore our city by boat — because, after all, we are the Venice of America!
- **Circuit**, our micro-transit service, offers a cool, electric ride for short trips around town.
- **LauderGO!**, our community shuttle, helps you get where you need to go while taking in the local sights.

Make sure to visit our website to check out routes, schedules and service areas. You might be surprised at how much easier (and more fun) it is to explore the city when you leave the car behind. **LauderGO! Mobility Services** | City of Fort Lauderdale, FL: <https://www.fortlauderdale.gov/government/departments-i-z/transportation-and-mobility/transportation-division/laudergo-mobility-services>

Summer is what you make of it — and in Fort Lauderdale, the possibilities are endless. Whether you're beach-bound, restaurant-hopping, or cruising through the canals and streets with the help of our transportation services, there's always something new to discover. So this season, get creative, stay curious and most importantly — enjoy your staycation! 🇺🇸





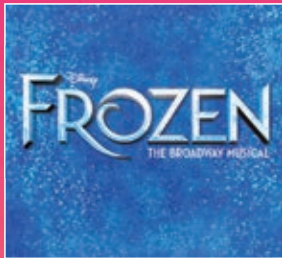
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WAN'S REOPENS TO HONOR ITS FAMILY LEGACY

Fort Lauderdale is a melting pot of diverse culinary hotspots, but one beloved restaurant recently reopened its doors to a lot of fanfare. Wan's, which was previously open for 28 years, closed its doors in November 2024 after former owner Christina Huynh decided to retire. However, it wasn't long before Huynh's nephew and restaurateur, Alex Kuk, decided he wanted to take over the operation of the restaurant and continue his family's legacy.

"My great-grandfather started the first Wan's in 1966 when he came to Miami and my grandfather, my aunts and my parents all worked in the business," Kuk said.

"It truly is our family's passion and we couldn't let that go. My great-grandfather came here, spoke very little English and started what would become an institution for Chinese food in Fort Lauderdale. But especially once my cousin and I saw how much the restaurant truly meant to people, we knew we wanted to reopen," said Kuk.

To honor his family's decades-long legacy, Kuk teamed up with his cousin, Courtney Van Leeuwen, to reopen Wan's and continue serving Mandarin, Szechuan and Cantonese classic dishes along with some new specialty items. Some classics returning that are better than ever include their BBQ spareribs made using the same 60-year-old Wan family recipe, as well as the Peking duck cooked in their new state-of-the-art Chinese smoker brought from Orlando.

"We put a lot of care into our food and the extra steps we take to prepare each dish. We make all our sauces to order, put a lot of thought into how our vegetables are cut and how are proteins are broken down," he said.

"But I think what really sets us apart is that we're still trying to make it feel like when you come into the restaurant, you feel like you're coming to your Chinese grandmother's kitchen for Sunday dinner."

Walking in, guests might be surprised to see how upscale the restaurant looks with its white tablecloths and ornate decorations. Kuk and his staff have made it a priority



Alex Kuk, second from left, with his mother, Annie Wan; cousin, Courtney Van Leeuwen; his aunt, Christina Huynh; and his uncle, Jason Huynh.

that when diners take that first bite of a succulent shrimp dumpling or unctuous egg foo young, you'll feel like each dish was made especially for them with love.

"People always tell me that they've eaten with us for generations. I think that's because we've been consistent, and people love that. So, that's why we want you to be able to come and eat here three times a week and not break the bank," said Kuk.

As for the future of Wan's now that they've reopened, Kuk has high hopes for bringing more of his family's food to diners throughout South Florida.

"I would love to be able to expand on our family's legacy and spread good Chinese food all throughout South Florida again. But it takes finding the right combination of location, the right price and great staff to make that happen. If I do find that perfect balance, however, I absolutely would love to start expanding," he said. [GO](#)

WAN'S

Owners: Alex Kuk and Courtney Van Leeuwen

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ECONOMIC PROSPECTS

THE POTENTIAL BEHIND UNCERTAIN ECONOMIC TIMES

In these uncertain economic times, I'm reminded that when there is fear, uncertainty and distrust (FUD), there is also enormous opportunity.

I'm a "glass half full" guy who knows our economy is cyclical. Those who are best prepared for these cycles create opportunities through everything from sheer determination, innovation, and excellent planning.

Trade wars, inflation, interest rates, lack of available talent and other headwinds are challenging obstacles to a thriving economy. Business leaders want certainty and that is not available right now.

That's why it is important to keep up to speed on data points and the political arena. By the time you read this we should have a budget from the Florida State Legislature. The governor will still have line-item veto authority so we won't know until July what we really have and how it will affect our local economy — good, bad or indifferent. Sales tax decrease, \$1,000 property tax rebate, redirection of tourist development tax revenues and other items in the omnibus budget package will have an impact locally.

Other factoids include: Broward unemployment is at 3.3 percent and declining with parity between jobs/unemployed (36,947 open jobs/35,362 unemployed); GDP in Broward has been increasing steadily. In 2023, we generated \$132,261,553 and our tri-county region's GDP was \$431.7 billion.

Statewide our biggest employment areas are private education and health services, health care and social assistance, leisure and hospitality, accommodation and food services, and government, according to the Florida Commerce web site.


We forecast continued population growth for the region; however, we are seeing outward migration in the 22- to 30-year-old segment. Cost of living is a major reason for outward migration, according to many reports.

We must wait it out and adjust our plans. That was the consensus at a recent President's Roundtable I hosted with a dozen business leaders. They also discussed the ever-present artificial intelligence conundrum — replacement vs. complementary for full time employees.

Watch for training sessions for small businesses to understand how to leverage AI in their business and some of the pitfalls. A recent Forbes article outlined possible usages for AI for small businesses. Owners must determine where AI can streamline operations, generate content, leverage chatbots, create personalized marketing campaigns, scale acquisition efforts, shorten sales cycles, analyze large data sets, and a host of other applications plus others yet to be determined.

One of my big concerns is whether we will see a shuffling of businesses — closures, consolidation, M&A activity and the like. We saw this during Covid and I expect it is happening right now. Recent polls show small businesses

are reducing investment and hiring. We've read about it with large companies with significant layoffs like Nissan Motor, UPS and others. While there are a variety of reasons for this, the current FUD factor contributes to these actions.

All of this to say, I recommend having reserves and a line of credit, review and adjust your spending, adapt tech for efficiencies and join the Greater Fort Lauderdale Chamber of Commerce. You can't just sit idly by during these cycles. 

Dan Lindblade leads a recent meeting of the Greater Fort Lauderdale Chamber of Commerce President's Roundtable with local business leaders





A BAHAMAS SUMMER FLING

EXPAND YOUR STAYCATION HORIZONS

Florida is the boating capitol of the world, and the numbers prove it. In 2022, the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission noted that our state had surpassed the million mark for registered recreational boats.

Boating registration has continued its upward trajectory, and an impressive percentage of these recreational vessels call southeast Florida home. According to 2024 state registration information, Broward County is home to nearly 44,000 pleasure boats. Our neighbor to the south, Miami-Dade, boasts over 73,000 registered recreational vessels.

With more than 100,000 registered pleasure craft in just these two counties, it is no surprise that when it comes to free time, South Floridians opt to get on the water. While the boating opportunities throughout our region could keep an avid boater busy for a long time, sometimes a captain craves a bigger adventure.

One way to scratch the adventure itch yet still stay close to home is to consider the Bahamas. Crystalline water, white sand beaches, and endless fishing opportunities are just a few of the reasons the island chain is a popular destination for boaters from Florida and beyond.

For many captains though, especially those with limited open water boating experience, the logistics of crossing the Gulf Stream and the intricacies of entering a foreign country can be an intimidating proposition. This is where Bahamas Boating Flings come in.


For more than 30 years, The Bahamas Ministry of Tourism has offered six guided trips in June and July between Fort Lauderdale and various islands, including Bimini, Grand Bahama and Abaco. Each fling consists of 12 to 20 boats that depart from Bahia Mar Marina and make their way across the 60- to 70-mile stretch between Florida's coast and a chosen Bahamian island destination. The boaters follow a lead boat that maintains radio and visual contact throughout the trip and ensures that all participants always remain part of the group.

Richard Munro, Vertical Markets Specialist for the Ministry of Tourism, notes "the Flings are especially popular among boaters who have never crossed before. Many feel more confident making the trip with an organized group and, after a successful experience, often independently return year after year."

Andrew Smith, a 2011 Fling participant and now a Bahamas Boating Ambassador, confirmed that joining his first Fling taught him a lot about the process of crossing the Gulf Stream and entering a foreign country by sea. He already had decades of general boating experience, but the Fling helped elevate his skills and confidence to take on a bigger, international challenge.

This sentiment is echoed by Captain Ariel Hernandez, a Florida native and Bahamas Boating Ambassador who has been making the crossing for decades. His favorite part of leading Flings is helping novice boaters learn to cross safely and build confidence. He captures the full Fling experience on video and shares the content, along with other instructional boating content, on his YouTube channel MiamiLiving305.

Robert Brousseau, another Bahamas Boating Ambassador and producer of the Wavy Boats YouTube channel, has led Flings for over a decade. His commitment to the program stems from his love for the archipelago. "I want to introduce the beauty of The Bahamas to as many boaters as possible," he said.

This year's Bahamas Boating Flings will be held June 5 through 8 (Grand Bahama), June 12 through 15 (Bimini), June 19 through 22 (Bimini), June 26 through 29 (Bimini), July 7 through 10 (extended Fling to Abaco), and July 24 through 27 (Bimini). To find out more or register, visit www.bahamas.com/events. 





2025 ESTIMATE OF TAXABLE VALUES

HOW JUST VALUES ARE ESTABLISHED

The preliminary 2025 property values are now showing on our website at web.bcpa.net. Florida Statutes require our office use Jan. 1 as the date of assessment each year. Our office must consider changes in market conditions – up or down – when developing the Just/Market Values. The 2025 Just Values are based on the market data from Jan. 1, 2025, back through Jan. 2, 2024, with Jan. 1, 2025, as the date of assessment. If you purchased your property in 2025, your 2025 purchase price along with comparable market data from 2025 will be used in setting your property's 2026 Just/Market Value. Our office will mail the 2025 TRIM (proposed tax) Notices to all Broward property owners in mid-August. This notice will show your property's 2025 Just Value, Assessed/Save Our Homes Value, all tax-saving exemptions you are receiving and the proposed tax rates as set by the various taxing authorities listed on the notice.

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For property owners on the 2025 installment payment plan, the first two installment payments (June 2025 and September 2025) are based on the previous (2024) tax year. This means residents who have been approved for 2025 Homestead Exemption or other exemptions will not see these 2025 exemptions on either the June or September installment bills. The final two 2025 installment bills (December 2025 and March 2026) will be adjusted to include any 2025 exemptions or changes to the property's taxable value. The deadline to apply for Broward County's Installment Payment Plan was May 1, 2025. Should you have any questions regarding the payment of property taxes, the Tax Collector's Office can be reached at (954) 357-4829 or by email to revenue@browardtax.org.


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WRITER MADELAINE K. BOYER

For those opting to stay local this summer but still get the most out of their vacation, Fort Lauderdale has a lot to offer for all kinds of hometown adventures. From fun for the entire family at the Museum of Discovery and Science and learning about local history to soaking up some sun at a few of Fort Lauderdale's renowned resorts, there's something for every type of staycationer. These are some of the best ways to have fun and relax this summer in Fort Lauderdale.

REST AND RELAXATION

Marriott Harbor Beach Staycation Package

Get some much-needed rest and relaxation at the Marriott Harbor Beach with their staycation package, which is perfect for those in need of a break but don't want to travel that far. When booking your stay, guests get 25 percent off rates when they stay three plus nights, a \$25 daily resort credit and 50 percent off self-parking. Once you get settled in, you can enjoy the resort's sparkling lagoon-style pool or hit the beach for fun water sports like jet skiing and snorkeling. If you're not in the adventurous mood, you can take in breathtaking views from their waterfront restaurant or soak up some sun on their private beach. Available through July 30.



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Beach Staycation at The Conrad

Escape to the beachfront oasis at The Conrad on Fort Lauderdale Beach with their beach staycation package, where guests can enjoy all-suite accommodations, beach morning yoga, refreshing poolside cocktails and more. When booking a minimum two-night stay, which includes a daily resort charge, the beach staycation package includes a \$75 property credit, 50 percent discounted valet and a 2 p.m. late check-out. As for amenities and activities included in the package, there are plenty for guests to enjoy. Whether you're in the room or on the pool deck, guests are treated to two bottles of spring water as well as two beach chairs with an umbrella, sunrise yoga classes, 2-hour bike rentals for two adults and 20 percent off spa services. Available through December 2025.

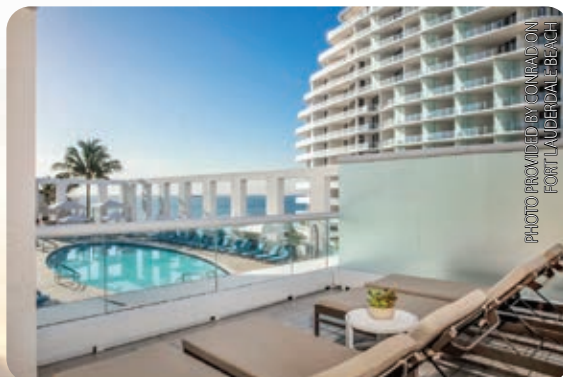


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Family Beach Escape Room Package at the Ritz-Carlton

For anyone wanting to spend some downtime in the lap of luxury, the Ritz-Carlton in Fort Lauderdale is where the entire family can get in on their Family Beach Escape room package. Guests who book one room can add a second room at 50 percent off, making it easier for both parents and kids to get the most out of their staycation. For younger guests, the Ritz Kids program offers a variety of interactive activities, like beach explorations to fun-filled arts and crafts. As for adults, they can relax at the ocean-view pool with private cabanas and a restaurant, or drift away during a massage or facial at their award-winning spa. Available through Aug. 31.



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Sun-Kissed Summer Package at Pelican Grand Beach Resort

Drift away from reality with a coastal retreat in the heart of Fort Lauderdale at the Pelican Grand Beach Resort with their Sun-Kissed Summer. Guests can save up to 20 percent off their best available rate and enjoy a daily breakfast for two from their signature restaurant, OCEAN2000. Along with that, guests have access to a variety of curated experiences as well as two other restaurants, the resort's zero-entry pool, beach with complimentary chairs and umbrellas, or the only lazy river in Fort Lauderdale. To enjoy this package, guests must book their stay from June 1 through Aug. 31.



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ACTIVITIES

MODS Sea Turtle Walks

People of all ages can join the team at the Museum of Discovery and Science for a nighttime adventure on Fort Lauderdale Beach to get a glimpse of nesting sea turtles. Starting at MODS, guests will be treated to a presentation about sea turtles, followed by a guided trip to the nesting grounds. While sightings aren't guaranteed, getting to see a nesting loggerhead sea turtle is an experience that you soon won't forget! Participants must be at least nine years old. Tickets start at \$35 per person for members and \$40 per person for non-members. Dates are subject to change, but currently, sea turtle walks are set to take place from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. on June 13, June 17, June 27, July 15, July 25 and July 29.



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Yoga and Sound Healing at the Bonnet House

Take some time to meditate and center yourself this summer with a Hatha yoga flow class paired with sound healing on the veranda at the Bonnet House. The class, which takes place on Friday, June 6, from 9 to 10:30 a.m., will be led by yoga educator and Bonnet House resident teacher, Lisa Pumper. After starting with a meditative walk around the lake, participants will then pause under the hammock trees for grounding and forest bathing. Then they will return to the veranda of the museum to enjoy the rhythmic yoga sequence before finishing with a sound bath meditation performed by arranger and composer Richard Brookens. Spots start at \$25 for members and \$30 for non-members.



Bonnet House Family Summer Special

The Bonnet House Museum and Gardens is the perfect place to bring your family outdoors this summer, especially with their new deal. Through Aug. 31, Bonnet House will offer its Family Summer Special, which includes \$25 admission for adults as well as free admission for anyone 17 and under. As a part of their admission, guests will not only be able to take a self-guided tour of the main house but can also enjoy the estate's expansive gardens and take in the picturesque lakes and ponds brimming with aquatic wildlife. The summer special can be used Tuesday through Friday from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., and Saturday and Sunday from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.



Roar and Explore Weekends at MODS

Children and their families can embark on a wild adventure this summer at the Roar and Explore Weekends at the Museum of Discovery and Science. Kids can dig for fossils like a paleontologist, uncover how dinosaurs evolved into modern-day animals and explore the incredible story of the extinction event that reshaped life on Earth. Visitors can even get hands-on with real fossils, make their own shark tooth necklace and investigate prehistoric ecosystems. Younger guests can also hatch dinosaur eggs, create fossils and bring dino puppets to life in fun activities just for them. It's an exciting journey full of discovery, science and excitement for all ages, which is included with museum admission. Get in on the action on Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sundays from 12 to 5 p.m., through August.



Three-Museum Tour at History Fort Lauderdale

Get to know the local history of your hometown with the Three-Museum Tour at History Fort Lauderdale. Participants can enjoy an introductory film about Fort Lauderdale's rich history before partaking in a guided tour of the History Fort Lauderdale Museum, the Pioneer History Museum and the 1899 Schoolhouse Museum. Along with a guided tour of the three museums, guests are also invited to view the New River Inn Artists' Co-op with live art demos. The tours take place daily at 1 p.m., 2 p.m. and 3 p.m. for \$15 per person.



Funky Fish Ocean Camp

For kids who love spending the day at the beach, Funky Fish Ocean Camp offers children ages 4 to 17 a camp experience like none other. The camp has been connecting children to the ocean for 30 years through activities such as snorkeling, boogieboarding, skim boarding, beach clean-ups, eco-crafts and marine biology, all of which are led by instructors who are marine biologists. So, for kids spending the summer locally, the Funky Fish Experience offers them great ways to discover and explore the ocean in new and unique ways. The Daily Ocean Adventures take place from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and cost \$100 per day, per child.




DINING OUT

Casa Sensei Dinner and Gondola Tour

The award-winning riverfront restaurant has partnered with Riverfront Gondola Tours for sunset dinners. Sign up for a 90-minute cruise along the canals of Fort Lauderdale on an eco-friendly electric gondola. Guests can pre-order from Casa Sensei's globally inspired menu which blends Japanese and Pan-Asian flavors with the culinary traditions of Latin America. Menu items include Lobster Guacamole, Bao Buns, Korean Grilled Steak Chimichurri, Pad Thai and custom sushi/sashimi boats.



Arc Culinary Chef Experience Dinners

Support Arc Culinary's programs by attending one of its Chef Experience Dinners in June. The Arc Culinary Emeril Lagasse Foundation Innovation Kitchen hosts a four-course Burger Bash on Saturday, June 14, at 7 p.m. The menu features a veggie burger made with rice, black beans and garbanzo beans with truffled mayo, bibb lettuce, spicy Arc-made pickles, and heirloom tomatoes; and an onion burger, made with a blend of beef brisket and pork shoulder, caramelized red and sweet yellow onions, sweet plantains, Gruyere cheese and black garlic aioli served on a Mallorca bun (Puerto Rican style bread). The Latin Street Food dinner on Thursday, June 26 at 7 p.m., offers a four-course menu with tripleta with beef, chicken and pork marinated in an oregano mojo criollo, sauteed with sofrito and annatto seed oil, sliced cabbage, tomato and a pink sauce all served in a pan sobao roll. Tickets are \$89 to \$99 each and support Arc Broward's mission of providing opportunities for children and adults with disabilities and other life challenges to realize their full potential. 





GENERAL EVENTS

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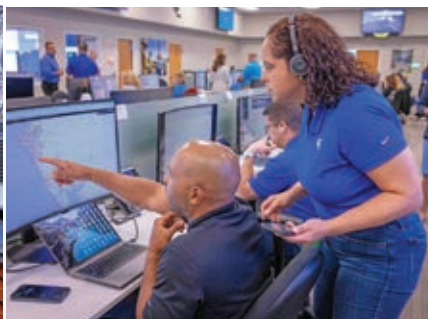
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