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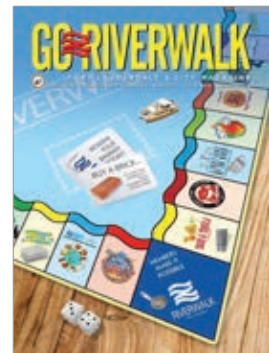
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As we celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month, The MKT at Las Olas Oceanside Park is proud to spotlight our vendors of Hispanic descent, throughout the months of September and October on our website and social channels. From handcrafted goods to delicious culinary offerings, these vendors bring their rich cultural heritage and traditions for all to enjoy.



Astrid, Armando and Ginnet, the dynamic trio behind Mexican-Columbian, Birria Bacana.



As vibrant and colorful as her Puerto Rican heritage, Aurely Meneses of Kukeebubee.

Visit our vendor spotlight page on our website to learn more about their unique stories and products. Plus, explore special recipes that highlight ingredients you can purchase at the market, allowing you to bring a taste of Hispanic culture into your own kitchen. Join us every Saturday from, 9 am - 4 pm, and Sunday, resuming September 15 from 10 am - 4 pm, to experience the diversity that makes our market a true community gem!



Jess & Gabriela Dalton-Salazar

Saucy Lips is a Mexican-American, family-owned company that began with Gabriela selling her homemade sauces at Arizona farmer's markets. Now a nationwide brand, their sauces are sold at Whole Foods and online retailer, Hungry Root. Despite their success, the duo are still dishing out street tacos and sauces at the MKT to adoring fans.

Carol Paz Nickless

Inspired by her grandmother's talent in crafting straw hats in Honduras, and her own interest in embroidery and crochet, Carol launched Paz y Luna in 2015. Nearly a decade later, her dedication to preserving traditions and craftsmanship of local artisans takes her around the globe several times a year to bring unique pieces to her clients.



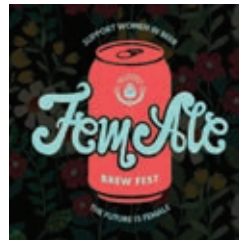
FREE YOGA FOR HEALTHY AGING



September is Healthy Aging Month, and there's no better way to celebrate than with two free yoga classes to help you maintain a healthy lifestyle, regardless of age.

Join us on Sun, September 15, for a dynamic vinyasa flow sponsored by Fit Fort Lauderdale, or on Sun, September 22, for a refreshing practice sponsored by Lululemon, Sawgrass. These classes are open to all ages and levels, so bring a mat and a friend. Embrace the journey of healthy aging with us! For more details and to register, visit our website.

SAVE THE DATE: SIP & SAVOR



Craft the perfect day out on Fort Lauderdale Beach at the 8th annual **FemAle Brew Fest**, highlighting women in the brewing industry. Featuring local and national beer vendors, the festival moves to its new home, the LOOP on Sept 14. View ticket info at theloopflb.com

SHARE YOUR FEEDBACK



Taking gold in the **Best Outdoor Space** category in the 2024 Fort Lauderdale Magazine Readers' Poll, Las Olas Oceanside Park continues to be a vibrant hub for our community.

Whether you're enjoying the market, attending a concert, movie night or fitness class, or simply soaking in the ocean views, the LOOP offers something for *everyone under the sun*.

Help us shape the future of Las Olas Oceanside Park and share your feedback on experiences that resonate with our community by completing our survey at theloopflb.com.



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ASHLEY | \$1,795,000
3 BEDROOM + 3.5 BATH

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CHAMPAGNE | \$1,695,000
2 BEDROOM + 2.5 BATH + OFFICE

Panoramic Views of the Ocean, Intracoastal & River! Located in the heart of Las Olas. Marble floors, custom wood work & built ins, Quartz Countertops, Poggenphol kitchen, 2 covered terraces with 2 exposures.



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UNDER CONTRACT | 2 BD 2 BA + OFFICE

Ocean & City Views from this perfectly placed SE facing residence. Nestled on 10 acres directly on the sand, this luxury residence is top tier! Gated Entry, 2 Parking spaces, completely remodeled with top-of-the-line finishes in this split floor plan with custom office.



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PARK | 3BD 3.5BA + OFFICE | \$2,795,000

Steven G Designed this Pristine Park Model. Directly on the River, Private Elevator Double Door Entry, 4 Terraces, Floor to Ceiling Glass Throughout, Upgraded Kitchen, and Spa like baths.

NEWLY PRICED | CHELSEA | 2BD 2.5BA | \$1,125,000

Remarkable River Views from this Pristine Chelsea Model featuring a split floor plan of 2 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, marble & wood floors, crown molding, breakfast nook, floor to ceiling glass windows throughout.

SOHO | 2BD 2BA | \$875,000

Spectacular East & West Views spanning close to one mile in length of the north & south banks of Fort Lauderdale's famous River walk. Bamboo floors, floor to ceiling windows that bring in the river views to every room.

1BD 1.5BA | \$725,000

Directly on the River! Rarely available, this oversized 1 Bed/1.5 Bath with a large river front terrace is a true gem! Upgraded & in mint condition, key features include white high gloss floors, floor to ceiling glass & custom closets.

SOLD! | COLUMBUS | 2 BD 3 BA + DEN

This 25th floor river facing Columbus flow thru floorplan is over 2,400 sqft. featuring a private elevator foyer entry, floor to ceiling glass & 2 terraces.



RENAISSANCE ON THE OCEAN

NEWLY PRICED | 2 BD 2.5 BA + DEN | \$1,449,000

Stunning oceanfront residence boasting breathtaking ocean views, luxury finishes and a spacious balcony.

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Ocean & Pool Views! Spacious split bedroom floor plan with floor to ceiling windows & a large covered terrace. Located directly on the sand, this luxury oceanfront residence features resort-style amenities.

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JUST LISTED! SEAVIEW | \$975,000

Right on the River, this 3 bedroom, 2 bathroom floor plan boast direct river views & 2 waterfront terraces. A south east exposure captures sunrises & sunsets. Tandem parking for 2 cars & climate controlled storage.

NEWLY PRICED STARDUST | \$839,000

Outstanding 2 bedroom 2 bath with Ocean, Intracoastal & River views! Tile floors throughout, crown molding, floor to ceiling glass in every room! Upgraded appliances, bathrooms & custom closets.

JUST LISTED! STARDUST | \$805,999

Fabulous ocean, river and city views from this 2 bedroom 2 bath split bedroom plan, wood laminate floors, electric shades, separate dining area, custom closets, tandem parking and storage. Freshly painted.

JUST LISTED! SKYVIEW | \$639,000

Stunning Sunsets and River Views. 2 bedroom 2 bath with Luxury Vinyl Throughout, Bright redesigned kitchen with quartz countertops, Floor to ceiling sliders, and glass balcony overlooking river.

NEWLY PRICED SKYVIEW | \$619,000

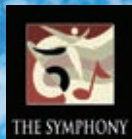
Skyview Light & Bright modernized 2 bedroom 2 bath with river & city views. White glossy cabinets, tile & wood floors, custom closets, floor to ceiling glass sliders & a sunset terrace overlooking the river.

SUNGARDEN | \$495,000

Gorgeous Sunset Views from this fabulous 1 bedroom 1 bath unit overlooking the pool & city. Induction cooktop, upgraded granite, ledgestone wall in the bedroom, tile & montecito wood floors floors.

SUNGARDEN | \$419,000

1 bedroom 1 bath unit, nice sized terrace with glass railings! Five-star Building, Resort Style Amenities in the Luxurious Las Olas neighborhood.



2 BEDROOM 2.5 BATHS | \$795,000

Modern Redesign! Corner Unit with Wrap Around Terrace overlooking the River, Pool and City! Amazing Interiors featuring porcelain tiles throughout, motorized window treatments, custom kitchen with glossy white cabinetry, full backsplash, quartz countertops, center island with waterfall edge quartz. Open floor plan perfect for entertaining with large living space. Custom redesigned baths with free standing deep soaking tub, glass enclosed shower and dual vanities. This unit is a must see!



SOLD! 2 BEDROOM 2 BATH

Rarely available river-facing unit at Nuriver Landing with a dedicated storage space. Furnished and move-in ready. Upgrades include bedroom flooring, lighting fixtures/fans, select appliances and more. Master bedroom has walk-in closet.

SOLD! 2 BEDROOM 2 BATH

This fully renovated 2bed 2bath is a 1,246 sqft split bedroom with beautiful southern views of the city & partial ocean views. This unit has wood-look tile flooring throughout, stainless steel appliances, granite countertops, & fully renovated bathrooms.

SOLD! 2 BEDROOM 2 BATH

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.



2 BEDROOM 2 BATH | \$795,000

Every day is a boat parade from this 2 bedroom 2 bath unit right on the Intracoastal! Located in the Trendy Central Beach neighborhood. This residence features wood floors, open kitchen & outstanding water views!

2 BEDROOM 2 BATH | \$789,000

Spectacular Intracoastal Views & sparkling city skyline at night! Blocks to the Beach! Split bedroom plan with walk in closets, open living area & covered terrace with outstanding views. Covered garage parking & storage.

JUST LISTED! PENTHOUSE 1 BD 1.5 BA | \$595,000

Complete Remodel with Outstanding Intracoastal Views. Porcelain Tile Floors Throughout, Custom Kitchen modern cabinetry, quartz countertops, and LED lighting. The primary suite features an upgraded bath with glass enclosed shower, illuminated mirror, and floating vanity. Dramatic wide water views from your private Penthouse level Terrace.



DOWNTOWN EVENT PREVIEW

UPCOMING OUTDOOR FESTIVALS AND EVENTS

The upcoming event season will see the return of many of downtown's favorite events and some big milestones in some of Riverwalk's events. Additional information on upcoming events is available from the Greater Fort Lauderdale Event Calendar, hosted by Riverwalk, at goriverwalk.com/calendar.

RIVERWALK FORT LAUDERDALE EVENTS

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Eats and Treats at Riverwalk

Second Friday each month | 6 to 10 p.m. | Esplanade Park

Sample some of South Florida's best food trucks monthly with DJ and lawn games.

Lobsterfest

Friday, Sept. 27 | 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. | The House on the River

Lobsterfest, in partnership with The House on the River and benefitting Riverwalk, will be an evening of lobster and other seafood with all the fixings.

8th Annual Riverwalk Fall Festival

Saturday, Oct. 12 | Noon to 4 p.m. | Esplanade Park

This perennial celebration of all things fall includes pumpkin painting, arts and crafts and other fun activities for all ages.

15th Annual Florida Day of the Dead

Saturday, Nov. 2 | 3 to 8 p.m. | Downtown Fort Lauderdale/Esplanade Park

This annual celebration features traditional Mexican dancers, artists and musicians as well as the annual Skeleton Processional of giant puppets along the Riverwalk.

18th Annual Riverwalk Mutts & Martinis

Saturday, Nov. 9 | 2 to 5 p.m. | Esplanade Park

Riverwalk's four-legged residents rule the day with pet-focused vendors, a doggie fashion contest, peanut butter eating contest and libations for their two-legged companions.

Light Up Lauderdale (Get Lit)

Thursday, Nov. 14 | 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. | Esplanade Park

Fort Lauderdale's holiday season kickoff, Light Up Lauderdale celebrates the lighting of the Riverwalk holiday lights with holiday performances and other entertainment.

Riverwalk Holiday Lights Cruise

Monday, Dec. 16 | 5 to 7 p.m. | Water Taxi

Enjoy a festive cruise on the Water Taxi to take in the holiday lights from Fort Lauderdale's scenic waterways.

15th Annual Riverwalk Stone Crab & Seafood Festival

Saturday, Jan. 4 | 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. | Esplanade Park

Riverwalk rings in the New Year with our annual celebration of the South Florida delicacy, the stone crab and all foods from the sea.

CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE EVENTS

parks.fortlauderdale.gov

Sunday Jazz Brunch

1st Sundays | 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. |

Esplanade Park and Riverwalk

Downtown Countdown

Tuesday, Dec. 31 | 4:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. | Esplanade Park

WINTERFEST

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Family Fun Day

Sunday, Nov. 24 | 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. | Esplanade Park

53rd Annual Seminole Hard Rock Winterfest Boat Parade

Saturday, Dec. 14 | Parade starts at 6:30 p.m.

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EXPLORE OUR CULTURAL SCENE

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Fort Lauderdale is known for the wide range of arts and cultural happenings, including theater, visual art, active art, history and more.

Broward Center for the Performing Arts offers productions including theater, music, dance and others.

History Fort Lauderdale and Historic Stranahan House let you glimpse the history of the area and the founders that set the guidelines for our city today and the progress made in the ensuing years.

The African-American Research Library and Cultural Center is home to a unique library geared toward Black history and children's books. A beautiful auditorium and exhibit area provides displays and presentations to commemorate history.

Fort Lauderdale International Film Festival hosts a well-known film festival and joins with Savor Cinema to showcase both American and international indie films in an arthouse environment.

The Museum of Discovery and Science brings a real-life approach to science and history and continues to expand its programs for the public in addition to offering its IMAX theatre.

If symphonies are your passion, there is the South Florida Symphony and Symphony of the Americas. Both offer great seasons for your pleasure.

NSU Art Museum is home to a number of permanent collections that draw visitors back over and over again to see those pieces and to enjoy the considerable number of other events and collections that stimulate the eyes and thoughts.

Several cultural festivals and events are hosted annually which engage the public in participating and enjoying the pageantry that they bring. Some festivals are the Sistrunk Historical Festival, the Day of the Dead Annual Stroll, and the Winterfest Boat Parade.

Within the city, there are a number of art walks, art galleries and individual shows that feature local and national artists. Over the years an increasing number of call to artists have been issued that create and present unique pieces that become both visual art as well as sculptured art throughout the city including murals that grace many of our buildings.


We encourage you to access www.visitlauderdale.com to look at the extensive list of cultural events, locations and things coming up in the future. 



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👉 I'm a seasoned entrepreneur and passionate traveler with a deep love for luxury experiences and cultural immersion. Raised in the vibrant landscapes of Zimbabwe, Africa, my journey has spanned continents, including living in Brazil, Italy and now South Florida. Living in the heart of the Riverwalk community and working steps away, I find myself immersed in the fabulous Riverwalk experience daily. With more than 30 years of entrepreneurial experience as the founder and president of a prominent South Florida food service company, I bring a wealth of business acumen and a profound understanding of customer satisfaction to my endeavors.

While I have many interests, from biking to music food and wine, my two greatest passions are travel and aiding others. As a luxury travel adviser at Landmark Travel, I have the privilege of combining both.

Whether it's crafting a dream vacation, organizing a corporate retreat or planning a destination wedding, I thrive on tailoring experiences to my clients' needs. Memories from trips endure long after they're over, so it's crucial to customize plans to match preferences and goals.

Understanding travelers' concerns, from itinerary planning to navigating unfamiliar cities, comes naturally to me. Drawing from my own adventures and Landmark's Consortium, a network of travel experts, ensures clients receive top-notch guidance.



INDIVIDUAL

TODD STONE

FOUNDER AND PRESIDENT, THE STONE LAW GROUP

👉 As a Fort Lauderdale native, I returned to Broward County following college and law school. The Fort Lauderdale area has been an incredible place to practice law during my 30-plus year career. My current law firm, The Stone Law Group, primarily focuses on business and probate litigation. Over the years, I have been involved in many legal, charitable and community organizations. I joined Riverwalk to support Fort Lauderdale and the Las Olas area. Fort Lauderdale has so much to offer from a fantastic selection of restaurants, cultural events, the always scenic Riverwalk and our beautiful beaches! We get to live where others vacation! I am very proud to be part of Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale and to contribute to Downtown Fort Lauderdale's continued growth. I look forward to continuing my membership for years to come!

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King tides have historically caused street flooding in low-lying areas of our community. The City uses tax dollars and stormwater fees to invest in long-term strategies to reduce the frequency, duration and intensity of tidal flooding in vulnerable areas. These include elevating seawalls, installing tidal valves and making drainage improvements. We also take proactive steps to prepare for the king tide season such as inspecting all tidal valves. We encourage our neighbors to prepare by:

- ✓ Reviewing flood safety tips
- ✓ Evaluating your property's readiness
- ✓ Reviewing your flood insurance policy

If you experience flooding on your street, make sure storm drains are not blocked. Rainfall concurrent with a high tide may cause some street ponding until the tide recedes. Remove waste carts as soon as possible once emptied or wait until your next scheduled collection day to put them out. Since we experience two tidal cycles each day, be aware of the timing of the high tides and how they may affect your travel plans. Avoid driving on flooded streets.

PREDICTED 2024 KING TIDES

Seasonal high tides known as king tides may occur around the following dates:

September 16-23

October 14-22

October 30 - November 3

November 12-19

December 13-15

King Tide Reminders for Riverwalk Neighbors:

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Be mindful of high tide times when planning walks or bike rides along the Riverwalk.

Boating Community:

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More Info:
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DISCOVER THE ARTS AND CULTURE

NOW'S A GOOD A TIME AS ANY TO SUPPORT OUR ARTS ORGANIZATIONS

These are difficult days for arts and cultural organizations. In Fort Lauderdale, Broward County and throughout Florida, recent state cuts have had a seriously negative impact on our quality of life as well as impacting our economy.

Numerous cultural venues and organizations collectively contribute to Fort Lauderdale's diverse and thriving arts and cultural scene. Whether you're interested in visual arts, history, theater or film, Fort Lauderdale has something for everyone to explore and enjoy and I am happy to say, so many of them are in beautiful District 2! I could write pages on this topic, but I am capped at 600 words! That being said, I want to highlight a few entities that really make our city shine. Let's do our part to support and patronize arts and culture.

Broward Center for the Performing Arts

201 S.W. Fifth Ave. | www.browardcenter.org

Starting off with a facility that doubles as a temporary City Hall is the Broward Center for the Performing Arts, a cultural icon in Fort Lauderdale. From concept to fruition, this world-class performing arts center was built with years of passion, planning and dedication. In the early 1980's, many in the community came together—from government, business and the private sector—because they knew a successful performing arts complex could be a catalyst for growth. It hosts a wide range of theatrical productions, including Broadway shows, musical performances, dance and cultural events. After 25 amazing years of vision and dedication, Kelly Shanley retired as President and CEO. In October of 2023, Ty Sutton was appointed as his replacement and we wish Ty nothing but the best in his new role as the leader of an institution that is consistently regarded as one of the finest in the nation.

Museum of Discovery and Science

401 S.W. Second St. | www.mods.org

There is always something new happening when the mission is connecting people to science. Spend a day of discovery exploring hundreds of interactive exhibits including "The Hangar", an aviation-themed Makerspace, the outdoor Science Park and the Sprouting STEM Early Childhood Learning Lab. Experience hurricane-force winds in the Storm Center, dig for fossils alongside a giant prehistoric megalodon and get close to a saber-toothed tiger. Joe Cox has served as President and CEO since 2018 and has taken this institution to great heights. We cannot wait to see what new learning and discovery is in store for our city's youth!

History Fort Lauderdale

231 S.W. Second Ave. | www.historyfortlauderdale.org

Bringing history to life is what makes History Fort Lauderdale so special because they do just that! History Fort Lauderdale, formerly Fort Lauderdale Historical Society, believes that a sense of history is fundamental to understanding human experience and therefore, collects, preserves and shares material from our community's past, so present and future generations can comprehend more fully their predecessors, their community and themselves. I have known Executive Director Patricia Zeiler for many years and I am in awe of her dedication and passion for preserving this city's rich and dynamic history.

Artserve

1350 E. Sunrise Blvd. | www.artserve.org

ArtServe inspires, supports and advances its diverse members, artists and community by promoting artistic development, education and philanthropy through the exploration and presentation of the visual and performing arts. Under the exceptional guidance of Executive Director, Jason Hughes, ArtServe continues to bring together academia, enterprise, government and philanthropy to engage and inspire people of all backgrounds and abilities through innovative programming and education.

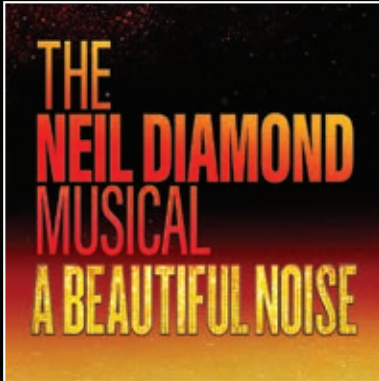
As I said earlier, I could write countless pages on the many organizations that make this city a cultural mecca including Bonnet House, NSU Art Museum, MASS District and many more. We are so fortunate to have a plethora of cultural institutions in one place for our residents and visitors to enjoy. I encourage you to seek out all of our arts venues and experience all the art and cultural beauty that our City has to offer. The arts are the soul of our community and connect us all. Please partake.



Artist Pipe Yanguas paints "The Wave" mural on the ArtServe Sunrise Boulevard facade.

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BY JENNI MOREJON
President and CEO
Fort Lauderdale Downtown Development Authority

PROGRESS IN THE MAKING

RENOVATIONS TO HUIZENGA PARK HAVE FINALLY BEGUN

Fences are up and the construction of Huizenga Park Reimagined is now underway! After years of planning, design, and public engagement, we are thrilled to see physical changes taking place at DowntownFTL’s signature public open space.

Over the past month our team has been connecting with residents and downtown employees along the Riverwalk and in neighboring buildings to share project updates and learn about their priorities. Did you see us out there?

Our team is encouraged by the public’s excitement for the many improvements underway. So many Downtowners can’t wait to experience all that the renovated Park will offer including a lush shade canopy and variety of plant species, unique seating areas, a dedicated off-leash space for dogs, an enhanced Riverwalk, and a new waterfront restaurant.

Here is what you need to know as construction starts in the Park.

The DDA has partnered with top-notch teams at MBR Construction and KEITH to deliver an improved Huizenga Park that we all can be proud of. Construction is expected to last through 2025, with the Park generally fenced off during this time. However, we are committed to maintaining east-west access along the Riverwalk throughout the course of construction. While the path alignment may shift over time, a pedestrian pathway along the Riverwalk will always be available.

The initial phase of construction will focus on enhancements along the Riverwalk. We will be introducing a new seating terrace along the New River, bringing you closer to the water’s edge at a brand-new pedestrian overlook, and widening the iconic red-brick paved walkway. All of this will be complemented by a new Water Taxi stop.

Construction of Sweetwaters restaurant will likely start in 2025 by a separate contractor, who will coordinate with MBR as we make progress toward Las Olas Boulevard with a new great lawn, a renovated Spirit of Fort Lauderdale Fountain, dog run, children’s play area and the Park’s public restrooms.

Stay in the loop.

We’re committed to keeping you informed during all stages of the project. Whether that’s regular meetups with our neighbors or posting updates on the park’s social media accounts, our team will continue to provide construction updates to keep the community engaged and excited.

Send us your thoughts! Let us know what programming and activities you would like to see in the Park once it reopens. Stop by huizengapark.org/progress to share your ideas and to sign up for our Huizenga Park email newsletters. And finally, be sure to follow us on social media @huizengapark to follow the journey to build South Florida’s best urban park. 📍

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BY KAREN WARFEL
City of Fort Lauderdale
Transportation Planning Division Manager



YOUR PENNY AT WORK

TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS BENEFITTING FROM THE SURTAX

T Broward County Surtax Program, or Mobility Advancement Program as it is now known, is in full swing making change in the County’s transportation network. In 2018, voters approved the Penny for Transportation initiative that added a penny to the sales tax dedicated to transportation improvements including transit, moving vehicles and complete streets projects.

To date, over 300 surtax funded projects have been completed throughout the County. The program is broken down into two main funding categories — municipal projects including community shuttle service and county projects managed by their Public Works and Transit departments.

The City received funding for several projects through the municipal portion. The first project in construction is the South Ocean Drive Bridge, with Northwest 15th Avenue between Sunrise Boulevard and Mills Pond Park Mobility Project following closely behind soon to start construction. Additionally, the city has received funding for new sidewalk installations and sidewalk repairs, as well as for a study of the feasibility of converting Andrews Avenue and Northeast/Southeast Third Avenue to one-way pairs.

The LauderGo community bus system has also received funding from this program which has been transformational for the service. The surtax program fully funds the operational costs and provides the buses for the service which is allowing the system to move forward in a positive way to provide service that has hours and routes that are useful and reliable with the potential to grow in the future.


Future projects funded through the Surtax for the City include Sailboat Bend/Southeast 14th Avenue and Middle

Street improvements and most recently, the City has been successful in receiving funding for design and construction to complete the Northeast 26th Street Mobility Project which will add a sidewalk, bike lanes, traffic calming, a roundabout and extend the left turn lane at US 1 westbound to improve vehicle flow.

But the benefits to Fort Lauderdale consist of more than just the direct projects. The County is working on nearly 40 projects within the City consisting of over \$87 million of work recently completed or in the process of being completed and an additional 22 planned over the next five years totaling nearly \$94 million.

Some of the most impactful projects will be those to improve signal timing to be adaptive to the traffic on US 1, Commercial Boulevard, Broward Boulevard, Sunrise Boulevard and Southeast 17th Street. Additional County projects include conversion of span wire signals to mast arms, drainage improvements, sidewalks, bridge improvements and school zone improvements. One of those that will be extremely impactful is the Port Bypass Road, which will help alleviate congestion along Southeast 17th Street between US 1 and the Southeast 17th Street Causeway Bridge.

This long list does not even cover the efforts in terms of transit including regional and local efforts such as the Light Rail Project being constructed to connect the Airport to the Seaport and the Broward Commuter Rail Project.

As anticipated, this funding has begun to make transformational changes in the transportation system in Broward County and will continue to truly make a difference into the future with just one penny for transportation. 



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BY PHILLIP DUNLAP
Director,
Broward Cultural Division



THE ART DAYS OF SUMMER

AND PLANS FOR THE FALL

September is a prime time to acknowledge the wide spectrum of cultural organizations and institutions that work throughout the year to carry out their missions and enrich the lives of Broward’s residents and visitors. In an arts community, such as ours that is geographically spread throughout a vast county, each one of our institutions and organizations play an essential role in bringing people together and promoting connectivity.

Earlier this summer, the Cultural Division convened leaders of our diverse cultural organizations to discuss what is and what is not working within our community. Hosted at the Museum of Discovery and Science, the event brought together 46 non-profit arts and culture leaders for a productive discussion on the state of our cultural sector and how we can work together for the betterment of all.

We also celebrated our grantee artists and organizations with a reception that drew more than 200 attendees to NSU Art Museum to network, connect with friends and colleagues and hear from our elected leaders, including County Mayor Nan Rich, District 5 Commissioner Senator Steve Geller, and the chair of the Cultural Council, Janet Erlick.

On Sept. 19, the Cultural Division will host our second annual Artists Connect event, this year at the Coral Springs Museum of Art. Just as connection and community building among our nonprofits is important, the



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same is true for the individual artists in our community. This event is a wonderful opportunity for future grantee artists to meet past grant recipients, learn about funding opportunities, and build meaningful relationships with their peers. All artists are invited to attend. To RSVP, please email browardarts@broward.org.

We officially kick off the fall arts season on Oct. 24 with the second annual State of the Arts Address, beginning at 9:30 a.m. at the Broward Center for the Performing Arts. Everyone is invited to join us to celebrate the accomplishments of the past year, learn about new and exciting county-wide news and initiatives for the year ahead, and hear from elected leaders. This fun event is a great way to celebrate what makes our community great — our amazing and diverse arts and culture community.

We hope you join us for the celebrations! 



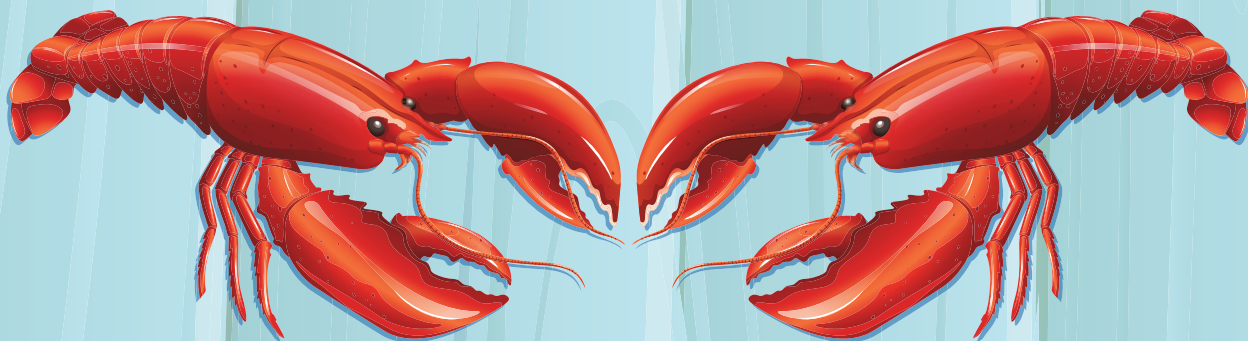
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There's nothing quite like creating something that puts a smile on people's faces. Well, for Mindy Freedgood, that's exactly what she set out to do with her business, Catskills Clothing Co. Before opening her shop, Freedgood spent 30 years working as a corporate interior designer in New York City. But after buying a home in upstate New York, she fell in love with the slower laid-back lifestyle in the Catskills and wanted to create something special that captured that feeling. "I wanted to buy a place where my partner, Rich, and I could get away from the city on the weekends. Then, when we were up there for the first time we saw there was an empty retail space next to the real estate office," Freedgood said.

"Rich's family owned a retail store, so he was in the clothing business for 40 years and I had all this experience in corporate interior design. So, as soon as I saw the place I told him, 'We're opening a store'."

The next thing she knew, they opened Catskills Clothing Co., which quickly became a hit with locals and tourists coming in to hit the slopes during season. Since its first opening, however, Catskills has expanded to be so much more than just a clothing store.


"A little while back we actually rebranded because we sell so much more than just clothes now. So, my store in Phoenicia is now called Small Town Happy where we still carry the Catskills Clothing Co. clothing line as well as home goods, vintage furniture, beach and outdoor gear and more," she said.

With Freedgood rebranding and looking to grow even further, that's also how she and her brand found their way to Fort Lauderdale. Five years ago, the couple decided to drive down to Florida following a massive snowstorm that led to two feet of snow. Once down here, they knew that

Florida was their next great place to get away and also the perfect place to launch their new clothing line, Beach Town Happy.

"Fort Lauderdale has the same vibe as upstate New York where you get locals, weekenders and vacationers from around the world. So, I wanted to create a clothing line that reflected that and that's how we created our sister brand, Beach Town Happy," she said.

When she's in Fort Lauderdale, Catskills Clothing Co. can be found at many of the local markets throughout the year including the Las Olas Oceanside Park Market, Visit Lauderdale Food and Wine Fest, and Fur the Love Pet Fest where her "Dogs Love Me" shirts were certainly a hit among dog lovers. However, as her brand continues to garner a huge following among Fort Lauderdale locals, she hopes to soon have a brick-and-mortar store for customers to shop at as well.

"Being involved with the outdoor markets is great and I love meeting people in the community, but we are looking for a pop-up or a retail location to give people more options," she said. 



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BY DAN LINDBLADE
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WELCOMING A NEW PORT DIRECTOR

JOSEPH MORRIS BRINGS A WEALTH OF EXPERIENCE TO DRIVE INNOVATION AND ECONOMIC GROWTH AT PORT EVERGLADES

I am thrilled to introduce Joseph Morris, the newly appointed CEO and director of Port Everglades, to our community. Morris began his tenure in late July. He stepped into the role previously held by Jonathan Daniels, who has moved on to lead the Port of Baltimore in Maryland.

Port Everglades is a cornerstone of our regional economy, generating over \$26.5 billion in economic activity annually and supporting nearly 11,000 direct, local jobs. It serves not only as a hub for cruise ships, consistently ranked among the top three busiest cruise homeports in the world, but also as a leading container port and fuel distributor in the United States. In fact, the Port provides jet fuel for all the airports in South Florida and has a direct fuel line to Fort Lauderdale-Hollywood International Airport and Miami International Airport.

Morris brings extensive seaport experience and a visionary approach. His appointment follows an exhaustive national search that involved extensive input from various Port stakeholders. Before joining us, Morris served as the Port Director at Massport (the Massachusetts Port Authority). His seaport career spans over 25 years — beginning with working in a warehouse, loading and unloading ocean shipping containers himself, to learning the intricacies of

operational strategy, terminal design, business development and capital planning as he moved up the ranks of leadership across the U.S. and internationally.

When asked about the professional accomplishments of which he is most proud, Morris first mentioned his work setting new safety and efficiency records for the largest container terminal in the United States, APM Terminals Los Angeles. In this effort, he led the teams responsible for planning vessel, rail, gate and yard operations. Morris says that transforming safety and efficiency involved organizational and cultural shifts in planning and execution that ultimately paid off by opening doors for the business to grow and consistently perform well.

The second accomplishment he mentioned was his work in Costa Rica building and opening the Moin Container Terminal, an artificial island, from the ground up. As the terminal was constructed in the Caribbean Sea, Morris built a team from seven staff members to 750 so that the facility could run successfully 24/7. The ability to receive large commercial ships transformed the local economy and changed the lives of residents, many of whom he calls friends.

In his first 120 days in leadership at Port Everglades, Morris plans to connect with stakeholders here in Broward County. "My initial focus is really about people, because at the end of the day, that's what this business is about," Morris says. "I have been meeting with the stakeholders of the Port — both within the organization and external partners who are a huge part of the Port's success."

The timing of Morris's arrival coincides with the beginning of the third phase of the Port's Master/Vision Plan Update, which calls for stakeholder input and feedback to guide the strategy for the next 20 years.

Speaking about his initial welcome by the Port community, Morris says "it's been overwhelming in the most positive way to engage with so many folks who have such a strong passion for the Port here. I'll continue to have stakeholder conversations to inform how we can move the Port forward for economic impact in the region and beyond."

Joseph Morris's appointment heralds a new chapter for Port Everglades. We welcome him to our community and look forward to the innovative and strategic direction he will bring.

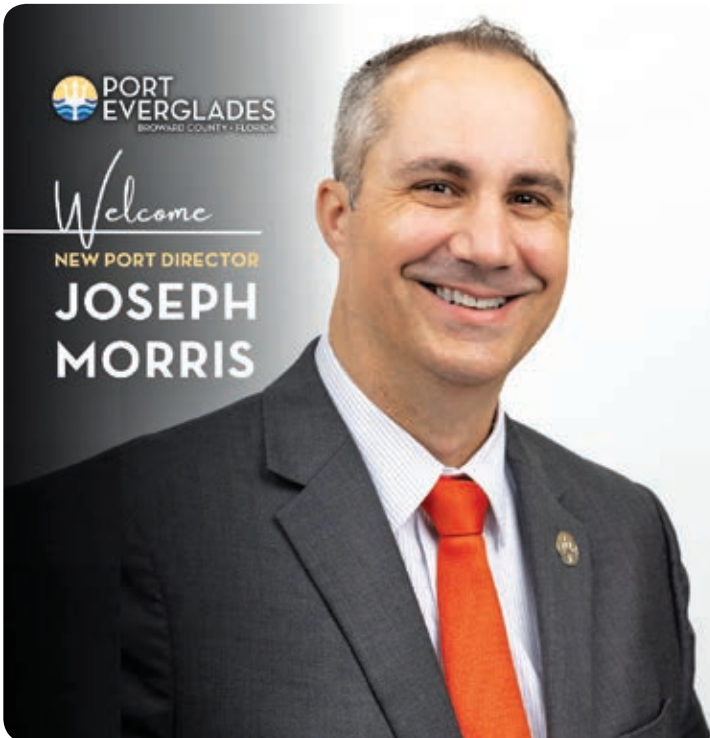


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MEET SOUTH FLORIDA ARTIST ESTELLA FRANSBERGEN



Stroll down Las Olas Boulevard and you'll no doubt notice the eye-catching façade of New River Fine Art. As one of South Florida's oldest and most prestigious galleries, New River curates an impressive collection of originals and fine prints from art's most important periods, along with works from mid-career and emerging artists.

Step inside and among the art by Picasso, Dali and Warhol, you can't help but notice the creations of a local sculptor, Estella Fransbergen. Her work is defined by a stunning juxtaposition of hand-fired clay torsos "dressed" in elements of nature.

A celebration of the human form, every finished piece tells a unique story. Each torso starts using a clay coil-building technique and a primitive firing method using sawdust and Raku. Fransbergen prefers to use hardwoods, including oak, hickory and cherry. Each torso comes from the fire with its own unique look, depending on the fire's intensity. Some torsos remain in clay form. Others are transformed into bronze or glass.


For the "dressing," Fransbergen takes a different approach to every sculpture. Her mediums include a variety of materials, including feathers, leaves and branches. She also incorporates semiprecious and rare gemstones, each having a symbolic meaning and unique energy. Every element is carefully chosen to reflect a celebration of Mother Nature.

Her pieces are extraordinary standing alone. Paired with pedestal lighting customized to each sculpture by her husband, Michael Anthony, her work springs to life. To see a Fransbergen sculpture illuminated after dark is a breathtaking experience.

Fransbergen's work is inspired by her South African roots, her years studying in the Netherlands and her life in the U.S. Her diverse experiences provide her with a global perspective, exposure to cultural diversity and an appreciation for the beauty of nature around the world.

Her work is enjoyed by global collectors, including Houston Rockets' owner Tilman Fertitta. Fertitta's interior designer, Amy Halfman, used Fransbergen's work as inspiration for design elements in Fertitta's 252-foot Feadship "Boardwalk." The yacht's formal dining salon showcases one of Fransbergen's sculptures.

Fertitta isn't the only big name to be drawn to Fransbergen's work. The Ritz-Carlton also added one of her sculptures to its newest cruise ship, the Ilma (the Maltese word for "water").

With The Whitfield Las Olas, a five-star ultra-luxury hotel slated to open in 2025 directly across the street from New River Fine Art, a new level of high-end clientele will be staying, shopping and exploring the Las Olas corridor. There's no doubt even more collectors will be drawn to Fransbergen's work. 

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WHERE TO FIND ANSWERS ABOUT YOUR 2024 PROPERTY ASSESSMENT OR EXEMPTIONS

Our office mailed more than 777,000 TRIM (proposed tax) Notices to Broward County property owners last month. The 2024 Just/Market Values are based on the market data from 2023 as Florida Statutes require our office use January 1 as the date of assessment each year.

The TRIM Notice you received shows your 2024 Just/Market Value, any tax-saving exemptions you are receiving, and the proposed tax amounts as set by the various taxing authorities listed on the notice.

It is important to remember the Property Appraiser's Office does not set or collect taxes.

If you believe you are entitled to a Homestead Exemption or any other exemption not shown on your TRIM Notice, you may still late file for any 2024 exemption until September 18, 2024. For a list of all the available tax-saving exemptions and to apply for these exemptions online, please visit our website at <https://web.bcpa.net/bcpaclient/#/Homestead> or call us at (954) 357-6830.

If you have any questions about your 2024 Just/Market Value or exemptions, please email or call us prior to Sept. 18, 2024.

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If you have questions or concerns about any of the proposed tax rates or non-ad valorem fees, including fire assessments, please contact the taxing authority listed on the TRIM Notice.

The ABSOLUTE deadline to file an application for any 2024 exemption or to appeal your property's 2024 Just/Market Value with the VAB is Sept. 18, 2024.

Value Adjustment Board

The Value Adjustment Board (VAB) is an independent quasi-judicial review board. If you believe your Just/Market Value is not what a buyer would have reasonably paid for your property on Jan. 1, 2024, you should first contact our office. If after speaking with one of our appraisers, you still do not agree, you can file an appeal with the Broward County Value Adjustment Board. If you were denied an exemption, you may also file an appeal with the Value Adjustment Board challenging this denial. The absolute deadline for Value Adjustment Board petitions is Sept. 18, 2024. If you would like to file a petition online, please visit the VAB website at <https://bcvab.broward.org/axiaweb2024>. Should you have any questions for the Value Adjustment Board, they can be reached at vab@broward.org or (954) 357-7205.


If my office can ever be of assistance to you, please do not hesitate to contact me directly at martykiar@bcpa.net. 



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THE NEWEST ARTS LEADER

A CONVERSATION WITH TY SUTTON ON HIS FUTURE AT THE BROWARD CENTER

WRITER MADELAINE K. BOYER

With former president and CEO of the Broward Center, Kelley Shanley, stepping down from his position at the iconic institution, it was only a matter of time before his successor would be chosen. The person taking on the job of overseeing this cultural mainstay is Ty Sutton.

Sutton is no stranger to leading a renowned performing arts venue like this one. Previously, he held the position of president and CEO for Dayton Live in Ohio where he served since 2018. Now, he plans to use his 20-plus years of arts management experience in his new position at the Broward Center, which we discussed during our recent conversation with him.

What did your career path look like before taking on your current position at the Broward Center?

I've worked in arts, entertainment and sports for almost 30 years now, but I've specifically spent the last 20 years working at performing arts centers. I've worked in California, Utah, Colorado, Texas, Ohio, Indiana and now Florida at jobs all in this industry. I just really enjoy the performing arts. I love the diversity of the programming and it's a lot of fun to be involved at a place where things are changing all the time. I find that one of the things that makes theater so valuable is the fact that we get to have diverse audiences and get to know so many people from the community.

Was a job of this nature something you'd always aspired to hold one day?

No, actually not at all. My path started very differently than I think most people in this field. I grew up in the San Francisco area of California and I grew up in the arts as a singer, but I didn't come from a family of artists. So, I never knew this was a real career path. I thought I would become a lawyer or go into finance. Then when I went to college at the University of Utah, some people asked me to help work on a student concerts committee. I put on a bunch of concerts for bands like the Dave Matthews Band and others and I really enjoyed it.

But even at that point, I didn't understand the link between that and a career. It took meeting a couple of promoters in Salt Lake City who offered me a job running the presenter's office at the University of Utah for a couple of years. Eventually, I went to work for the Olympics in Salt Lake and then ended up working in the National Hockey League for a while.

So, my career was one where I just kept saying "yes" to opportunities. But one of the big turning points that got me back into performing arts was when I met my wife, who was a professional ballerina. Since then, I've been able to run several performing arts centers, build a couple and

open one as well. So, taking on this position felt like a natural transition at this point in my career.

Did Kelley choose you as his replacement, or did the Broward Center board?

That's an interesting story. I've known Kelley for a long time and I've always respected the way he approached the business and the culture he created.

He and I have also been part of a small group of people who ran major performing arts organizations. So, I'll be honest, Kelley let me, among a lot of other people, know when he was first thinking about taking a step back. However, when the time came, the Broward Center's board had a search committee that brought in a lot of great candidates. When they were getting ready to make selections, they reached out and let me know that they thought I was a really strong candidate because of my business background and running similar but smaller organizations. I remember at the time telling a friend about trying to decide if I should take the position and he said, "What else could you want?" and he was right. I was also trying to decide where I would want to raise my family, so it sort of came together for me in a very natural way.

What kind of fresh perspective do you plan to bring to the Broward Center?

I am willing to try new things. When you work in the arts, you have this great ability to try new things with groups of people who are super creative and really care about others. Nobody works in the arts because they thought it would be a great corporate career. People do this because they have a love for community.

Right now, I can't point to one thing we're hoping to accomplish but we will continue to be successful and continue being among the most visited venues in the world. My goal is to figure out how to start and keep connecting with young people who aren't growing up with the arts in their lives which is a big challenge right now. We're incredibly blessed to have one of the largest partnerships with school districts in the country. So, I want to find ways to get out in the community even more than we already do, create more opportunities for young people to experience theater, music and dance and create avenues to professional careers for young people in the arts.



What are some projects or endeavors you hope to accomplish at the Broward Center during your time as CEO?

This early on, it's hard to say but I also don't want to say, "Hey, let's keep doing what we've done before." I can tell you that looking at the growth of the community over the last 15 to 20 years there's definitely a need for more spaces for performance.


I think the renovation of the Parker has been more successful than anyone ever imagined in terms of its impact and the number of people coming to shows. So, I am definitely planning for more growth. But the one thing that sticks out to me is that we have incredible arts and culture facilities in this community including the Broward Center but also places like the Museum of Discovery and Science and the NSU Art Museum.

Putting all that into perspective, I think anchoring the arts and cultural institutions of this community as this area goes through a great amount of redevelopment is going to be important to me. I'm excited to see what the future holds for some of that and how we can be a part of making that a success.

Did Kelley offer any advice before passing the torch to you?

He just told me to be myself and I don't know any other way to do this job but to do exactly that. If you're not authentic as an arts leader, people will know. They can tell if you're trying to have all the answers instead of asking the right questions to find those answers. As a young arts leader, I got my first job as a general manager very young. I was 31 and I was replacing someone who was retiring at 67. So, I think that gave me a lot of perspective on how you're not going to walk in knowing everything. Instead, you have to come in with an open mind and a willingness to ask the right questions to learn the answers.

What is your hope for the future of the Broward Center now that you're in charge?

I expect that we'll keep leading in the arts, we will continue our commitment to education and we'll keep putting on great shows. At the heart of it, if the pandemic taught us anything, it was that without our audiences, we're nothing. We're just big, empty buildings. So, for me, it's all about maintaining that commitment to our audiences that we will present the best shows and performances that they know they can come and enjoy and run world-class venues which is what's most exciting to me and something that I will continue to do. 



PLAYING ON A LOCAL THEME

A FORT LAUDERDALE MONOPOLY BOARD IS COMING SOON

WRITER MADELAINE K. BOYER



What does Fort Lauderdale now have in common with Dallas, Los Angeles, Savannah and Cape Cod?

They are places that have been granted their very own Monopoly board. Fort Lauderdale's is slated to come out in time for the holidays this year.

The iconic board game first came out in 1935 and quickly became one of the most beloved board games in households worldwide. Over the years, the original economics-centric game has expanded into a variety of themed boards. From hit movies and TV shows, there are now numerous versions of the game out there. The game's licensing company, Top Trumps USA, has taken the idea of themed boards one step further, creating boards for specific cities and countries.

Sarah Bowman, Top Trumps USA sales executive, explains further.

"So, the story starts really everywhere else except for the United States," Bowman said. "We did our very first city edition of Monopoly in Edinburgh, Scotland in 2019. Then, before that, we did themed boards for countries all over the world including France, Germany, London, Bangkok and Australia.

"We finally made our way to the United States in 2020. So, we've only been here for four years but since then we've done a handful of city editions across the U.S. like Dallas, Los Angeles, Savannah and Cape Cod."

After Top Trumps USA's success with those U.S.-based Monopoly boards, they've now turned their attention to Fort Lauderdale.

"We look for cities that, first and foremost, have a lot of unique flair and personality but also community pride. So, that's how we found ourselves in Fort Lauderdale because it felt like a city that definitely fit those criteria," said Bowman.

The Top Trumps' team has received hundreds of submissions from locals and visitors of landmarks, restaurants, businesses, historical sites and other highlights they feel best reflect quintessential Fort Lauderdale.

"We're only creating this edition one time, so we're heavily considering the longevity of this Monopoly board. We want everything on here to be relevant 30 to 40 years from now when people's great-grandchildren are playing it.

"That's why we've spent months immersing ourselves totally in the city and talking to hundreds of people



Josie Cole, left, and Sarah Bowman, sales executives for Top Trumps USA.

in Fort Lauderdale to genuinely have the city of Fort Lauderdale help us build this edition for them,” she said.

Aside from featuring local staples as spots on the board, Monopoly: Fort Lauderdale Edition will also include custom elements such as community chest and chance cards that pay tribute to the vibrant Fort Lauderdale community.

The best part, however, is that the board will be available to the public in only a few short months with the official release taking place sometime this December.

“We’ll officially be unveiling the Fort Lauderdale Monopoly board this coming December where we’ll have Mr. Monopoly, everyone who had a hand in making the board, the City of Fort Lauderdale, the mayor and the press to see the finished product that we’ve spent months working on,” said Bowman.

Following the unveiling, Monopoly: Fort Lauderdale Edition will be available for purchase both in stores and online through retailers such as Barnes & Noble, Amazon and other select local retailers. [📍](#)



Fort Lauderdale Mayor Dean Trantalis announces plans for the Fort Lauderdale-themed Monopoly Board.

THE WILDER

UPSCALE COCKTAIL BAR WITH SHAREABLE BITES

WRITER MADELAINE K. BOYER

Standing outside, The Wilder looks like any other stereotypical storefront nestled among high rises on Broward Boulevard. But once inside, you will quickly realize it's so much more.

Passing through wooden double doors emblazoned with a gold peacock awaits a sultry cocktail bar and lounge complete with plush green velvet booths and floor-to-ceiling wood paneling.

Yet it's not only the grandiose décor that makes this spot special but also the decadent dining experience. The menu features a variety of shareable plates focusing on elevated bar bites with an international flair. Regardless of which dish you sample, your meal would not be complete without trying one of their specialty craft cocktails. Whether you're the adventurous type looking to indulge your cocktail curiosity or prefer their take on a classic, there is something for everyone to enjoy. With that, The Wilder is the perfect place for date night or a night on the town that you'll never forget.

THE WILDER IS GOOD FOR ...

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Trying something new	Out of towners

MY FAVORITES AT THE WILDER

BITES:

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Black Truffle Tagliatelle – Coated in rich truffle cream, this tagliatelle is out of this world decadent while the porcini mushrooms offer a bright burst of flavor with every bite

Basil and Mint Pannacotta – This light Italian custard is an indulgent and refreshing dessert to end your meal on with its bright notes of mint and basil, raspberry and poached pear

COCKTAILS:

Kiss This – For the sweet tooth, this tangy raspberry

forward tequila-based cocktail garnished with a delightful floating kiss offers a sensational experience for the taste buds

Far & Foreign – This unusual cocktail perfectly blends the earthy notes of Gentian Amaro with the refreshing taste of hibiscus and lemon all topped with coconut foam and rosebuds

HOW I'D DESCRIBE THE WILDER

- The physical surroundings – Dimly lit with plush seating and warm wood accents in a large open, high-ceiling dining room
- The service – Fast but not overwhelming
- The food – Flavorful and filling shareable plates
- The cocktails – Both unique and innovative cocktails for adventurous diners as well as classic cocktails with a twist

DESCRIBE YOUR FOODIE STATUS

Constantly on the lookout for new exciting restaurants to try, especially when traveling! Love eating out at spots offering something unique with their menu items whether that's experimenting with different cultural cuisines or unique takes on classics.

MY OTHER LOCAL FAVORITES

Favorite breakfast place: The Alchemist Café

Favorite place for a celebration/birthday/anniversary: Room 901

Favorite place for the view: Boathouse at The Riverside

Favorite place for lunch: Escargot Bistro

For dinner: El Camino 

WANT TO GO?

The Wilder

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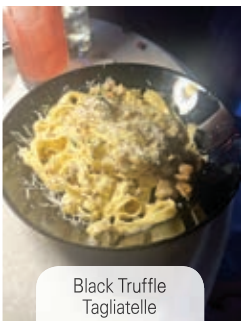
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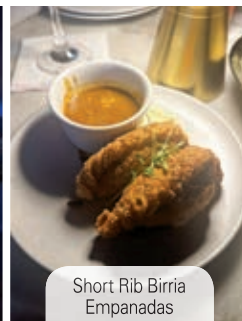
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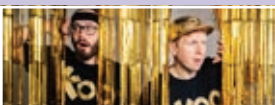
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Delevoe Park

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Last Sunday
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Storytime in the Garden
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Fourth Sunday
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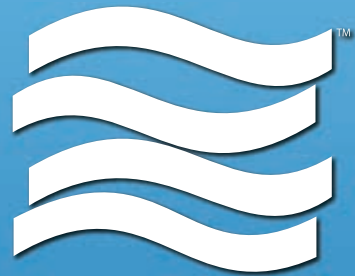
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PANTHERS DEFENSEMAN MAREK ALSCHER

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THIRD ANNUAL ARTFUL MINDS

NAMI Broward County's Third Annual Artful Minds event, which included networking and light bites, showcased the work of artists living with mental health disorders, was held June 1 at MAD Arts.



DR. JOE ORAVEC AND JOHN LINN



SANDRA SNEED



ARTIST CORAL NOCIE

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38TH ANNUAL ALL HEART VOLLEYBALL CHALLENGE

The Ann Storck Center, a Fort Lauderdale-based private nonprofit organization dedicated to enriching lives of children and adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities, hosted its 38th Annual All Heart Volleyball Challenge in Pompano Beach on June 15.



PAT MURPHY, DEE LANDI AND MATT COYNE



PARTICIPANTS IN THE ALL HEART VOLLEYBALL CHALLENGE

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