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WINGS OF MAJESTY... My Love Affair With The Roseate Spoonbill... Alan S. Maltz









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The Alan S. Maltz Gallery, located on historic Duval Street in Key West, has been an integral part of the Island's cultural landscape for over two decades. Now celebrating 26 years, the gallery continues to attract visitors from around the world, seeking to experience Alan's visionary art...a space where inspiration and creativity unite in perfect harmony. Alan S. Maltz Gallery | 1210 Duval Street | (305) 294-0005 | ALANMALTZ.COM



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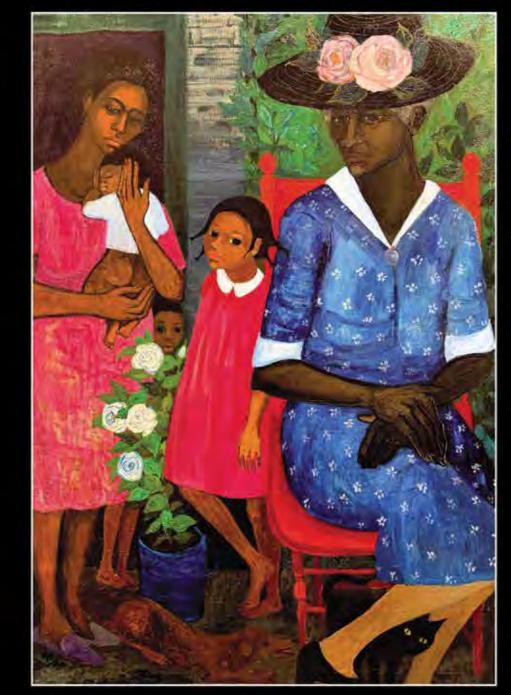
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Familia Domingo

Oil on Linen, 52" x 36"

A large rare oil on linen, "Familia Domingo" graces The Gallery on Greene this spring.

Suzie, the continual elegance of innocence depicts a three generational Bahama Village family preparing for Sunday services.

A bare bottomed, baby, young girl in Sunday best and a little boy peeking over a rosebush add drama to their grandmother's pose. A black cat and chocolate dog draw the eye down to the feet, then draw the eye to the hands which Suzie always painted so evocatively.

A World War II veteran, Suzie graduated from Pratt Institute and studied at the Art Students League in NYC. With works at the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York and a one woman show at the Cooper Hewitt Smithsonian, her fine art is on the walls of the finest residencies for 75 years.

Noteworthy Art Galleries



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art. Gallery Director Nance Frank is a

from 37 listed artists. Including Pulitzer

Prize-winners Jeff MacNelly and Annie

Dillard; legendary painters and sculptors

Mario Sanchez and Suzie DePoo; master

here span a wide variety of mediums and

attract both casual buyers and serious art

collectors. Frank also arranges art tours to

Cuba.

highly acclaimed Key West names. The works

impressionist Peter Vey, and many other

nternational influences, a laid-back atmosphere and unrivaled natural beauty have made the Florida Keys and Key West a magnet for creative spirits.

Alan S Maltz Gallery

1210 Duval St Key West, Fl 33040 305-294-0005; alanmaltz.com Daily 10 am Florida's Official Wildlife & Fine Art Photographer

Author of five award-winning coffee table books, fine arts photographer Alan S. Maltz uses his camera as both brush and palette. Whether photographing wildlife or daily life, this self-taught artist follows the light and creates masterpieces.

Gallery On Greene

606 Greene St Key West, Fl 33040 305-294-1669; galleryongreene.com Open Daily 10 am - 6 pm Key West's Premier Art Gallery "Miami has Art Basel; Key West has the Gallery on Greene." This premier gallery showcases a mind-blowing collection of

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Jag Gallery

1075 Duval St C23 Key West, Fl 33040 305-407-6202; jaggallery.art Daily Noon – 5 pm Great Works by Renowned Local Artists Founded by acclaimed painter Letty Nowak, Jag Gallery represents many of Key West's most known and relevant contemporary artists. In addition to Nowak's work, you'll find Key West greats, including John Martini, Rick Worth, Lincoln Perry, Carol Munder, B. Lucy Stevens, Aase May, Sharon McGauley & Cathy Rose. The gallery also exhibits quest artists and hosts the annual Small Works Exhibit, which takes place through November 26. If you're in the market for exceptional local art, this is a "must-see" gallery.

The Studios of Key West

533 Eaton St Kev West, Fl 33041 305-296-0458; tskw.org Open Tu-Sa 10 am – 4 pm Live The Creative Life TSKW stages an extraordinary lineup of contemporary art and rotating gallery exhibits, workshops, classes, and performances. They also provide in-house residency opportunities for artists worldwide. Many world-renowned artists and Pulitzer Prize-winning authors unite with local audiences and art practitioners at all stages of their creative careers. Be sure to check out their website for upcoming events and latebreaking updates.

Shade Ceramics and Shutter Photography

1102 White St Key West, Fl 33040 305-767-3769 shadeandshutterkeywest.com Open M – Sa 11 am – 5 pm Contemporary Artisan Ceramics & Fine Art Photography

This sleek, contemporary gallery and working studio is home to celebrated potter, Mark Klammer and acclaimed nature photographer, Sarah Carleton. The two award-winning artists share a vision for simplicity in each of their own unique designs. Klammer creates modern functional ceramics which are so very unique and deliciously different from traditional pottery. Carleton's vibrant nature photography artfully captures her distinctive interpretation of what some may consider to be ordinary. Her large format prints preserved on recycled aluminum are especially stunning.

The Artist Behind Our Cover –

Award-Winning Photographer Alan S. Maltz



hot by award-winning photographer Alan Maltz, DESTINATION FLORIDA'S summer cover, "Dawn's Early Light," is a testament to the artist's remarkable talent and tenacity.

It was 4 am on March 3, 2016, when Maltz journeyed deep into the Everglades National Park in search of the elusive Roseate Spoonbill. Once on the verge of extinction, the elegant wading



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bird was making a comeback, and Maltz was determined to find it.

safari led him to a remote location accessible only by water and untouched by time. His 2.5-hour journey into the wild wasn't an easy one. Despite wearing layers of protective clothing, he and his guide were eaten alive by swarms of bloodthirsty flies. But he would not be deterred. The subject matter was far too compelling to turn back.

Maltz discovered the first Spoonbill perched peacefully on a gnarled branch in the mangroves. Set against the predawn sky, it was a gifted image born of determination and destiny. That first shot and Maltz's journey into the Everglades far exceeded his expectations. He was fortunate enough to come away with an exciting collection of Roseate Spoonbills

Maltz's remarkable photographic

(see his astounding photos on pages 4 & 5). The series is now part of Maltz's everexpanding collection of Florida images spanning over 40 years.

As Florida's Official Wildlife and Fine Art Photographer, Alan Maltz's stunning work envelops you in his visionary magic and often effuses deep emotion. Whether capturing the allure of nature or the subtleties of everyday life, this self-taught prodigy never uses shortcuts to achieve virtuosity. Instead, he simply follows the light, using his camera as both "brush and palette." The elusive nature of the light inspires him to create imagery that is both immediate and eternal, abstract and impressionistic. The result is a work of art with the same visual impact as a fine oil painting.

Maltz's work is in private, public, and corporate collections worldwide. It's also been featured in national and regional publications, including The New Yorker, Robb Report, Publishers Weekly, Philadelphia Inquirer, Miami Herald, New York Post, ARTnews, Newsday and O, The Oprah Magazine. On top of his many accolades, Florida Monthly cited Alan Maltz as one of their "21 Most Intriguing Floridians."

The prolific artist credits much of his success to his wife. Leslie, his talented staff, and the "Higher Power" within us all.

Now celebrating 26 years, the Alan S Maltz Gallery is a sight to behold and showcases an impressive collection of his cutting-edge fine art, innovative framing designs, and many of his published works. You can see more of this work at the Alan S Maltz Gallery. 1210 Duval Street. Info: 305-294-0005; alanmaltz.com.

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Art & Cultural Happenings



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Daily

The Alan Maltz Collection

Key West: As the official wildlife and fine art photographer for the State of Florida, Alan Maltz's evocative studies of birds, animals, and landscapes hang in public and private collections worldwide, including the Carter Presidential Library in Atlanta. You can see his vibrant collection of cutting-edge fine art photography and limited-edition prints on aluminum, canvas, and glass at his beautiful multi-level gallery and studio. Open daily at 10 am at 1210 Duval Street in Key West. Info: 305-294-0005; alanmaltz.com.

Mario Sanchez Original Works & Lecture

Key West: Cited as the most important Cuban-American Folk Artist of the 20th Century, Mario Sanchez's whimsical art forever immortalized Key West's eclectic, multicultural community. Many of his intricately carved and painted intaglios are now valued at more than \$50,000. Nance Frank, owner of Key West's acclaimed Gallery On Greene, has curated multiple exhibits and catalogs for his exhibition, which was presented by the American Folk Art Museum, the Museum of the City of New York, and Cuba's National Museum. Nance Frank's fascinating presentation takes place daily at 2 pm at Gallery On Greene, 606 Greene St. Info: 305-304-2323; galleryongreene.com.

EXHIBITION: Evolution of Scuba

Islamorada: Learn how the earliest inventions from the 1800s evolved into Jacaues Cousteau and Émile Gagnan's AquaLung in the 1940s, and find out how this gear revolutionized recreational diving for the entire world. The History of Diving Museum, 82990 Overseas Hwy. Info: 305-664-9737; divingmuseum.org.

EXHIBITION: Pioneering Women

Islamorada: Celebrate the women of diving history during this special exhibition dedicated to female pioneers. Learn about Lotte Hass, one of the very first women to star in underwater films and help create them. Discover the identity of the US Navy's first female deep sea diver, and find out how Sylvia Earle led an all-female team into an underwater habitat and set diving records in armored diving. Takes place daily from 10 am – 5 pm at The History of Diving Museum, 82990 Overseas Hwy. Info: 305-664-9737; divingmuseum.org.

EXHIBITION: Pirates, Wreckers and Salvagers

Islamorada: From the alleged exploits of Black Caesar, the Keys' most famous pirate, to Captain Ben Baker, the King of the Florida Wreckers, this engaging exhibit delves into the facts and fiction of those men who plied their trade along the dangerous Florida Reef. See it Tu – Su from 10 am – 5 pm at the Florida Keys History & Discovery Center, 82100 Overseas Hwy on the Islander Resort property. Info: 305-922-2237; keysdiscovery.com continued on page 12

Happy Birds & Artisan Mugs! Shade Ceramics & Shutter Photography

t happened one sunny morning in Key West. As Sarah Carleton strolled the beach at Ft Zachary Taylor, four beautiful snowy egrets suddenly caught her eye. Despite her close proximity, the birds paid her no mind. They were far too busy gallivanting along the shoreline.

An award-winning nature photographer, Sarah knew a good photo op when she saw one. As one of the egrets swaggered down the beach, proud as any peacock, Sarah focused the lens on her Olympus



OM-D EM-1 Mark II camera and clicked away. She caught the bird in mid-stride, strutting confidently with its unruly hair and exuberant attitude. Printed in both color and in B&W, Sarah's "Happy Bird" is now one of her most popular works at Key West's acclaimed Shade Ceramics and Shutter Photography.

The working gallery is also home to Mark Klammer's contemporary artisan ceramics.

With modern shapes and rustic finishes, Mark's collection of functional, utilitarian designs are all one-off and beautifully organic. Especially popular is his eclectic Key

(Shade Ceramics and Shutter Photography)

Contemporary artisan ceramics and fine art photography Crafted in Key West



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West mug. Crafted by hand, each piece is uniquely its own, with slight variations in color and size. Mark's creations are all food-safe. microwave-safe, oven-safe, and dishwasher-safe

You can see more works by these two talented artists, M – Sa, from 11 am – 5 pm, at Shade Ceramics and Shutter Photography, 1102 White St. Info: 305-767-3769; shadeandshutterkeywest.com.



Art & Cultural Happenings

EXHIBITION: "Spirits of the Passage" Key West: This powerful exhibit documents the slave trade, its legacy, and its Florida Keys heritage. It also examines Key West's role in the US Navy's early anti-slavery effort with a series of large-scale graphics, sound recordings and several historical artifacts including original slave shackles recovered from the Henrietta Marie, a 1700 English merchant slave ship that sank 35 miles west of Key West. On view daily from 10 am - 4 pm at the Mel Fisher Maritime Museum, 200 Greene St. Info: 305-294-2633; melfisher.org

EXHIBITION: Beneath the Surface: People of the Spanish Fleet of 1622

Key West: Comprised of the Nuestra Señora de Atocha, Santa Margarita, Buen Jesús, and the Nuestra Señora del Rosario, the Spanish Fleet of 1622 carried people from various populations and castes - both free and enslaved. This diverse group of travelers paints a vivid picture of the communities and relationships being formed in the Americas. On view daily from 10 am - 4 pm at the Mel Fisher Maritime Museum, 200 Greene St. Info: 305-294-2633; melfisher.org.

Tuesday - Saturday Movies at the Museum

Islamorada: This ongoing series of fascinating "Shorts" runs throughout the day and includes films about Henry Flagler's Overseas Railroad, the Keys 1935 Hurricane, and an overview of Islamorada area State Parks. Films begin at 10:30 am and continue throughout the day, with the last showing at 4 pm. Takes place Tu – Sa at the Florida Keys History & Discovery Center, 82100 Overseas Hwy (on the grounds of the Islander Resort). Info: 305-

922-2237; keysdiscovery. com.

MONTHLY

Third Wednesday

Immerse Yourself! Islamorada: This free monthly presentation occurs on-site at the History of Diving Museum or virtually so you can tune in from wherever you are. Experts cover maritime history, archeology, diving, and marine science topics. Coming

up: Mistakes Divers Make (May 21), Diving and Salvage Operations (June 18), and The Science of Submersibles (July 16). Takes place at 7 pm at the History of Diving Museum, 82990 Overseas Hwy. Info: 305-664-9737; divinamuseum.ora.

First Thursday Open House At The Studios

Key West: Art, conversation, and community come alive after hours! See the newest works in TSKW galleries, sip wine under the stars on the rooftop terrace, explore three floors of exhibition space, and discover hidden gems at Books & Books. Takes place from 6 – 8 pm at The Studios of Key West, 533 Eaton St. Info: 305-296-0458; tskw.org.

Third Thursday

Art Walk Key West Key West: This fun two-hour walking tour of our local galleries and studios in Key West's Historic Seaport District gives you an inside look at the island's vibrant culture. It leaves at 9:30 am from the Key West Art & Historical Society, 281 Front St. Info: 305-850-8343.



Third Thursday

Morada Way Arts & Cultural District Art Walk

Islamorada: Fine arts, live music, and "culinary art" are the hallmarks of this festive local happening from 6 – 9 pm along the Morada Way Arts District on Old Hwy, MM 81.5, Oceanside. Info: 305-664-2471; moradawayarts.org.

First Fridays

First Fridays On Fleming Key West: "The Fabulous 500 Block of

Fleming Street" showcases boutiques, galleries, antique stores, artist studios, eateries and more. Lots of cool events, too! Takes place from 6 - 9 pm. Info: 305-304-9001; fabflemingkw.com

Select Sundays

Key West Artisan Market Summer Edition

Key West: Shop a curated outdoor market offering fine crafts and art from talented Florida Keys makers, a wide variety of food & libations, local musicians, authors, and glorious ocean views. Takes place on May 11, June 15, July 6 and August 10 from 10 am

- 2 pm at Indigenous Park on Higgs Beach. Info: 305-731-3385; keysartisanmarket.com.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Now - May 18

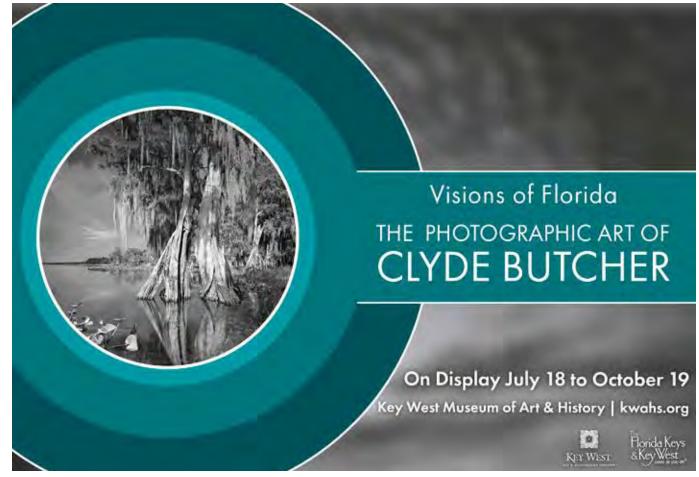
EXHIBITION: "The Collecting of Key West - The Works of Mario Sanchez" Key West: Regaled as the greatest living Cuban American folk artist of the twentieth century,

Mario Sanchez's whimsical carvings brought the unwritten story of Key West to life. During his seventy-plus-year career, and with no formal training, Sanchez produced over 600 paintings and woodcarvings, including many historic structures that were, and still are, iconic Key West landmarks. On view daily from 9:30 am - 4:30 pm at the Key West Historical Society's Custom House Museum, 281 Front St. Info: 305-295-6616; kwahs.org.

Now - May 29

EXHIBITION: Liquid Cities By Gerson Fogaca

Key West: Fogaça translates Polish sociologist Zygmunt Bauma's concept of "liquid modernity" into art. His vibrant paintings capture the fluidity of contemporary urban landscapes and reflect



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their ongoing transformation from technology, migration, and climate change. On view Tu – Sa from 10 am – 4 pm at The Studios of Key West, 533 Eaton St. Info: 305-296-0458; continued on page 16 tskw.org.

The Stonewall Uprising:

The Start of a Movement



n the early morning of June 28, 1969, no one realized that everything was about to change for the LGBTQIA+ community. It was a time when the FBI and local authorities kept lists of known homosexuals, their friends and their favorite hangs. A time when local police performed targeted "sweeps" to rid public spaces of gay people.

Three years prior, in 1966 San Francisco, drag queens, hustlers, and trans women sitting in a cafeteria were arrested simply for the way they looked. A riot unexpectedly broke out. Patrons hurled plates, saucers, and cups to smash the cafeteria's windows. The angry crowd returned several days later for another go at it. A new era of gay activism had begun.

Police raids on gay bars were pretty routine in the 1960s. So it wasn't surprising that in New York City, the Stonewall Inn was on police radar. Located in Lower Manhattan's Greenwich Village, the notorious bar was owned by the Genovese crime family. As the city's only gay bar that allowed dancing, it was "THE" place to go for gays, lesbians, drag queens, and young men wearing bright lipstick, heavy mascara, and teased hair. The weeks leading up to June 28,1969, were marked by frequent raids in the area and resulted in the closing of two other nearby gay clubs. But because of the Genovese Family's weekly police payoffs, the Stonewall Inn was always "tipped off" ahead of time.

Not so on June 28,1969. At 1:20 am, four plainclothes policemen

The Stonewall Inn

New York State Historic Site

and two uniformed officers stormed the bar shouting, "Police! We're taking the place!" Confusion immediately ensued as an estimated two hundred people were roughly rounded up. By the time the first paddy wagon arrived, close to

1,000 onlookers had congregated outside. The police squad's aggressive actions toward the arrested patrons further incited an already revved-up crowd.

Suddenly, protestors began bombarding the police with garbage cans, bottles, rocks, and bricks. The mob lit fires, stopped and overturned cars, and even chased the police down several blocks. By sunrise, the humiliated cops had arrested only thirteen people.

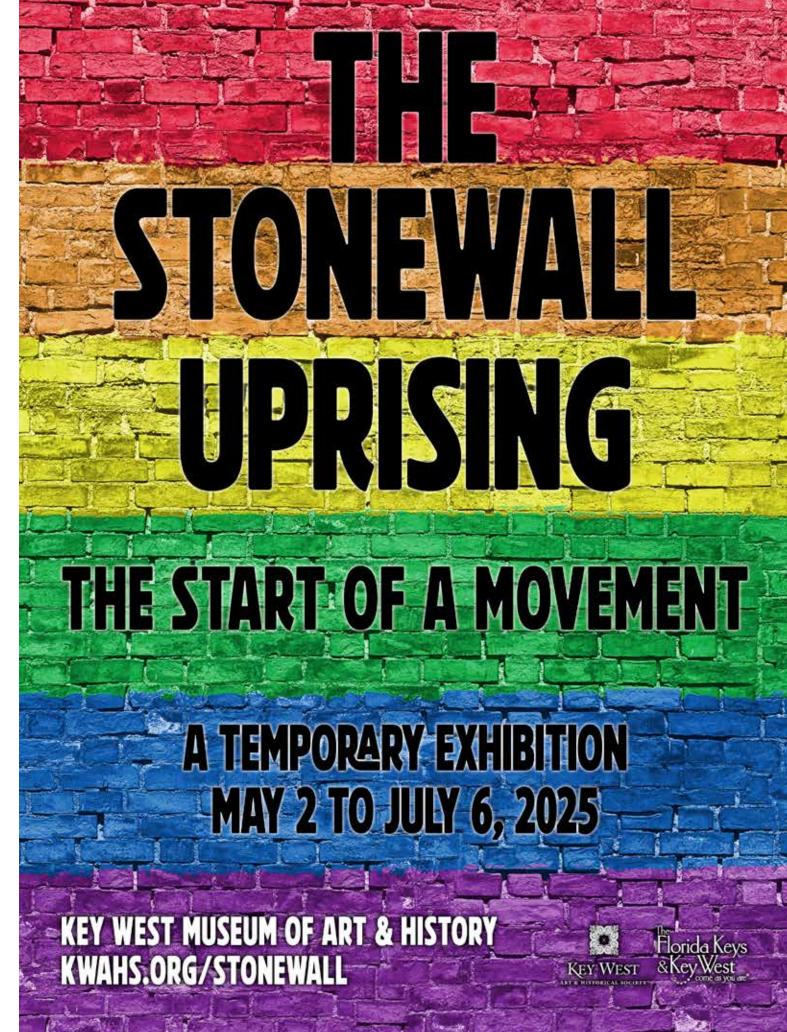
But it didn't end there. The next day, more crowds returned to see the now burned and blackened Stonewall Inn. By nightfall, thousands of protestors blocked the bar's front door, spilling out over several adjoining blocks. A second street battle broke out and lasted until 4 am.

EPILOGUE: The Stonewall Inn only operated for a short time after the riot. By October 1969, it was up for rent. Initially, the uprising received little media coverage. But within six months, activists launched a citywide newspaper called "Gay," followed by two other publications: "Come Out!" and "Gay Power." Readership for the three newspapers quickly soared to between 20,000 – 25,000. In the following year, several gay activist organizations also sprung up, spawning the very first gay pride

> marches. It was the dawn of the LGBTQIA+ liberation

movement. Now through June 6, the Key West Art & Historical Society is exhibiting "The Stonewall Uprising — The Start of a Movement. This powerful installation examines the who.

what, and where of those June nights and explores how the Stonewall riots catalyzed a bold movement advocating equal rights for LGBTQIA+ Americans. Open daily from 9:30 am – 4:30 pm at the Custom House Museum, 281 Front St. Info: 305-850-8343; kwahs.org.



Art & Cultural Happenings



Now - May 29 **EXHIBITION:** The Way It Was **By Isaac Valdes**

Key West: Isaac Valdes captures the historical charm and vibrant culture of Old Key West through intricate wood carvings. This exhibition reflects the essence of Key West's bygone days, depicting its unique architecture, lush landscapes, and colorful local life. On view every Tu – Sa from 10 am – 4 pm at The Studios of Key West, 533 Eaton St. Info: 305-296-0458; tskw.org.

Now - May 29 **EXHIBITION: Daydreams** By Leigh Hooten

Key West: After nearly 50 years in textile, graphic design, and costuming, Leigh Hooten steps into the spotlight with personal pieces, including self-portraits, animals, and fantastical beings rendered in a fresh, illustrative style. On view every Tu – Sa from 10 am – 4 pm at The Studios of Key West, 533 Eaton St. Info: 305-296-0458; tskw.org.

Now - May 29 **EXHIBITION:** Pile It On...Take It Off By Sherry Sweet Tewell

Key West: Using thick, textured layers of paint in contrast to pared-down compositions, Tewell's paintings and assemblages explore the interplay between abundance and minimalism. On view every Tu – Sa from 10 am – 4 pm at The Studios of Key West, 533 Eaton St. Info: 305-296-0458; tskw.org.

Now – June 6

EXHIBITION: The Stonewall Uprising — The Start of a Movement

Key West: This compelling installation delves into the individuals, events, and locations of those pivotal June nights in Greenwich Village, NYC. The exhibit explores how the Stonewall riots catalyzed a bold movement advocating equal rights for LGBTQIA+ Americans. On view daily from 9:30 am – 4:30 pm at the Key West Art & Historical Society's Custom House Museum, 281 Front St. Info: 305-850-8343: kwahs.org.

Now - August 3

EXHIBITION: Visions of Florida – The Photographic Art of **Clyde Butcher**

Key West: Often called the "Ansel Adams of Florida," Clyde Butcher is considered one of America's finest landscape photographers. Just as Adams' work changed perceptions of California and the American West, Butcher's large format, black & white photos of Florida's natural landscapes — a world seldom seen either by tourists or longtime residents, will change the way you think of Florida. On view daily from 9:30 am – 4:30 pm in the Bumpus Gallery at Key West Art & Historical Society's Custom House Museum, 281 Front St. Info:305-850-8343; kwahs.org.

May 14 - June 1

EXHIBITION: Artists of Key West - 25 Years of **Expressionism** Key West: This spring invitational showcases work from artists who have helped maintain the artistic foundation of Key West for the past 25 years. Opens on Wednesday, May 14 with a special reception from 5:30 – 7:30 pm and continues daily from noon - 5 pm at Jag Gallery, 1075 Duval St in Duval Square. Info:305-407-6202; jag gallery.art.

May 21 - December 31

EXHIBITION: 20th Anniversary Featured Exhibit

History of Diving Museum

Islamorada: This special limited-time exhibit examines how the museum has evolved throughout the decades and offers a preview of what more it has in store. On view daily from 10 am – 5 pm at The History of Diving Museum, 82990 Overseas Hwy. Info: 305-664-9737; divingmuseum.org.

June 4 - 22

EXHIBITION: Reunion By Cathy Rose & Aase May

Key West: This Artists Cathy Rose and Aase May first showed together at the former Lucky Street Gallery and they pair up again with new works in assemblage and paintings. Opens on Wednesday, June 4

with a special reception from 5:30 - 7:30 pm and continues daily from noon – 5 pm at Jag Gallery, 1075 Duval St in Duval Square. Info:305-407-6202; jag gallery.

June 5 - July 31 **EXHIBITION: Mango** Madness

Key West: This annual members show celebrates our local mango season with a bounty of creativity in every form and style imaginable. Opens on Th, June 5, with a special reception from 6 – 8 pm and continues every Tu – Sa from 10 am – 4 pm at The Studios of Key West, 533 Eaton St. Info: 305-296-0458; tskw.org.

June 6 - November 9

EXHIBITION: Key West Colors -The Art of Ray Rolston

Key West: A resident artist of Mallory Pier's fabulous Sunset Celebration until his untimely passing in April 2019, Ray Rolston's paintings capture the sparkling colors of Key West and the coral reef beyond. Inspired by the extraordinary shades of sunsets, historic landmarks, classic conch houses, beaches, and lush sea life, Rolston brings you the tropical warmth and sunshine of The Florida Kevs through his vast catalog of artwork. On view daily from 9:30 am - 4:30 pm in the Bryan Gallery at Key West Art & Historical Society's Custom House Museum, 281 Front St. Info: 305-850-8343; kwahs.org.

EXHIBITION: Mango Madness The Studios, Key West

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DAILY

Mini-Me Science Session -**Musical Marsupial**

Miami: Little scientists, ages two to five, have the opportunity to become "marsupial parents" while learning about mammal adaptations through a fun and engaging experience. Sessions last approximately 60 minutes, with a 30-minute hands-on activity followed by a 30-minute guided museum exploration in one of the museum's exhibitions. Older siblings may also participate for an additional charge. All children must be accompanied by an adult. Sessions take place May 14 and May 18, from 10:30 to 11:30 am at the Phillip and Patricia Frost Museum of Science, 1101 Biscayne Blvd. Info: 305-434-9600; frostscience.org.

MONTHLY

First Fridays

Gallery Night

Coral Gables: Each first Friday of the month, the Coral Gables Museum opens its doors to the public for free as part of Coral Gables Gallery Night! Enjoy live music, wonderful exhibitions, and a cocktail bar before heading for your Friday night plans! Takes place at the Coral Gables Museum from 6 – 9 pm at 285 Aragon Ave. Info: 305-603-8067; coralgablesmuseum.com.

Second Saturdays

Family Day on Aragon Coral Gables: Packed with educational fun and creative activities. Family Day on Aragon is a fun outing for both children and adults. Uncover the wonders of history and culture, enjoy interactive exhibits, participate in a workshop, and more! Free admission. Takes place from 10 am – 6 pm at the Coral Gables Museum, 285 Aragon Ave. Info: 305-603-8067; coralgablesmuseum.org.

Third Sundays

Gables Bike Tours

Coral Gables: This fun, educational bike tour through "The City Beautiful" offers a different theme and route each month. Bike Florida's #1 Award-Winning Visitors Guide



tours are organized by Bike Walk Coral Gables in partnership with the Coral Gables Museum. FYI: Bring your own bike. Helmets are required for children under 16. Kicks off at 10 am from the Coral Gables Museum, 285 Aragon Ave, and is included with general admission. Info: 305-603-8067; coralgablesmuseum.org.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Now - July 6 **EXHIBIT: Homecoming** by José Parlá

Miami: This extraordinary twopart show is José Parlá's first solo museum exhibition in Miami and explores his heritage, diasporic identity, and dynamic mark-making process. In the show's first phase, Parlá creates a site-specific mural LIVE in the

gallery. The performance showcases his gestural, movement-driven approach inspired by music, calligraphy, and urban architecture. In Phase 2, Parlá transforms the gallery into a re-creation of his own studio. His paint-covered tables, archival memorabilia, and a Cuban-inspired record collection offer an intimate look at his artistic world. This compelling and immersive experience takes place every Th from 11 am – 9 pm and on F – M from 11 am – 6 pm at the Pérez Art Museum

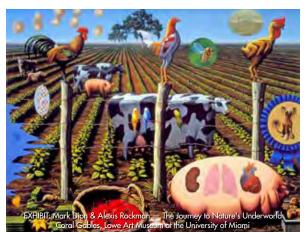
Miami (PAMM) Maurice A Ferré Park, 1102 Biscayne Blvd. Info: 305-375-3000; pamm.org.

Now - July 19

EXHIBIT: Mark Dion & Alexis Rockman – The Journey to Nature's Underworld

Coral Gables: Twenty-five groundbreaking works showcasing Rockman's large-scale landscape paintings and Dion's immersive installations blend scientific methodology with allegorical elements and dark humor to create a compelling commentary on environmental issues. The exhibition's centerpiece is "American Landscape," a new collaborative installation created specifically for this showing. This distinctive diorama, set on a golf course, presents a zoological group portrait featuring resilient species that have adapted to human-modified environments – offering a glimpse into what the artists consider our future global ecosystem. Takes place from 10 am - 4 pm on W – Sa at Lowe Art Museum at the University of Miami, 1301 Stanford Dr. Info: 305-284-3535; lowe.miami.edu.

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Art & Cultural Happenings



Vicuña grew up in a Chilean commune, hearing about the persecution and incarceration of those struggling for social justice Vicuña's interest in the quipu ("knot") became a constant source of inspiration for her work. Often used by political activists fighting against fascism and human rights violations

in Chile and other countries, this ancient Andean form of communication uses knotted strings to record information. Vicuña's extraordinary Quipa Gut exhibit, which is constructed out of fifty large strands of unspun wool, dyed red and knotted rhythmically along its almost 33' length, bridges shared histories, Indigenous weaving practices, ritual, and environmental activism. It takes place every Thursday from 11 am – 9 pm and on F – M from 11 am – 6 pm at the Pérez Art Museum Miami (PAMM) Maurice A Ferré Park, 1102 Biscayne Blvd. Info: 305-375-3000; pamm.org.

- wol August 24 **EXHIBIT: Path of** the Panther Miami: An icon of

the Florida Wildlife Corridor, the panther is the state animal of Florida and the last big cat surviving east of the Mississippi River. Rising north out of the Everglades, the tale of the Florida panther has arown from the unlikely survival of a rare cat to a story of hope for all wild Florida. This unique exhibition showcases the work of National Geographic Explorer and photographer Carlton Ward

Jr, who spent almost two decades advocating for the Florida Wildlife Corridor. Ward's amazing collection represents the six years he and his team spent working with camera traps to capture these rare and intimate photographs, which were also featured in National Geographic Magazine and the new National Geographic book Path of the Panther. Takes

> place Tu – Su from 11 am - 5 pm at the Phillip & Patricia Frost Art Museum, 10975 SW 17th St. Info: 305-348-2890; frost.fiu.edu.

Now - September 14 **Dinos Among Us**

Miami: Giants of the past come roaring back to life during this fantastical, immersive limited-time exhibit. You'll be instantly transported back to prehistoric times, where twenty life-size animatronic dinosaurs move and roar right in the heart of the Zoo's botanical garden. See a mighty Tyrannosaurus Rex and lots of other

incredible creatures that once roamed the Earth while you learn fascinating facts about dinosaurs' lives, their extinction, and the world they inhabited. Included with regular admission. Not to be missed! Takes place daily from 10 am – 5 pm at Zoo Miami, 12400 SW 152nd St. Info: 305-255-5551; zoomiami.org

Now - January 4, 2026

EXHIBIT: Agustín Fernández – The Alluring Power of Ambiguity Miami: Showcasing works by the Cubanborn master Agustín Fernández, this powerful retrospective includes over sixtyfive paintings, drawings, and collages, as well as previously unseen pieces from private collections. Known for his distinctive mono-chromatic palette and sophisticated draftsmanship, this exhibition provides new insight into an artist whose work appears in major museums worldwide, including the Museum of Modern Art in New York and the Victoria and Albert Museum in London. Takes place Tu – Su from 11 am – 5 pm at the Phillip & Patricia Frost Art Museum, 10975 SW 17th St. Info: 305-348-2890: frost.fiu.edu.

May 31 – September 1

EXHIBIT: AI - More Than Human Miami: Seamlessly blending science and art, this unprecedented exhibit enables you to step into the future where creativity and science collide and where you'll experience Al's capabilities firsthand. By interacting with machines and immersing yourself in vibrant installations, you'll learn more about humanity's collaborative relationship with technology through cutting-edge research projects. Takes place daily from 10 am - 6 pm at the Phillip and Patricia Frost Museum of Science, 1101 Biscayne Blvd. Info: 305-434-9600; frostscience.org.



EXHIBIT: AI — More Than Human, Frost Museum of Science Mia

MUSEUMS

UPPER KEYS

Florida Keys History & Discovery Center

On the Property of the Islander Resort MM 82 Oceanside Islamorada, Fl 33036 305-922-2237; keysdiscovery.com Open Tu - Su 10 am - 5 pm Where the "Old Keys" Come to Life This fascinating educational attraction encapsulates what living in the "Old Keys" was like through a series of engaging exhibits that include the infamous Labor Day Hurricane of 1935, Henry Flagler's Railroad, the Overseas Highway, legendary anglers and fishing guides along with a host of other unique displays.

History Of Diving Museum

82990 Overseas Hwy. Islamorada, FL. MM 83, Bayside N 305-664-9737; divingmuseum.org Exhibits and Museum Store Open Daily 10 am - 5 pm A "Must-See" for Divers & Non-Divers Alike Dedicated to telling the international story



of "the quest to explore under the seq." this fascinating museum contains 4,000 years of diving history: from breath-hold diving to modern SCUBA, as well as the South Florida connection to this untold story. Venture through a timeline of exhibits that include Improbable Early Diving Inventions, Deep



Sea Diving In the Abyss, and The Parade of Nations, an international collection that displays helmets from every country that ever made one. There's also an extensive line-up of many limited-time featured exhibits, scavenger hunts, special events and more. continued on page 20



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MUSEUMS

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Crane Point Museum & Nature Center

5550 Overseas Hwy, MM 50, Gulfside Marathon, Fl 33050 305-743-9100; cranepoint.net M - F 9 am - 5 pm; Sa 9 am - 5 pm; Su Noon – 5 pm Take a Walk Back in Time Tucked away in the heart of Marathon lies this historic 63-acre tropical oasis of hardwood trees, 2.5 miles of beautiful nature trails, and a Museum of Natural History. Initially, the site of an Indian village. The reserve also contains evidence of a Pre-Columbian civilization where a Bahamian immigrant family set up a homestead in the early twentieth century. One trail takes you by the Marathon Wild Bird Center, a hospital for injured pelicans, cormorants, egrets, and other Keys birds.

Historic Pigeon Key Offshore Island

1090 Overseas Hwy (Visitors Center) Marathon, FL 33050 305-743-5999 pigeonkey.net Open Daily 10 am - 4 pm Step Back In Time This tiny coral island was the original work camp for workers who built the Key West extension of the Flagler Railway and once housed a thriving village of more than 400 people until the railroad's demise in 1935. Today, you can tour the island's historic buildings, picnic on the lawn, or snorkel in the shallow bay. The open-air train service runs four times a day and gives you

an up close and personal view of the historic Old 7 Mile Bridge. Departs from the Pigeon Key Visitors Center, 1090 Overseas Hwy (Gulfside) at 10 am, 11:30 am, 1 pm and 2:30 pm.



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East Martello Museum & Gallery

3301 South Roosevelt Blvd Key West, FL 33040 305-296-3913; kwah.org Open Daily 9:30 am - 5 pm Home Of Robert The Haunted Doll Built in 1862 by the US Army to protect Key West's Ft. Zachary Taylor from Confederate attack, this historic military fort is filled with unique artifacts and memorabilia. You can tour the grounds and see displays of Florida Keys' history, meet Robert the Haunted Doll, view junkyard sculptures by Stanley Papio, and the painted wooden carvings of acclaimed artist Mario Sanchez.

Ernest Hemingway Home & Museum

907 Whitehead Street Key West, FL 33040 305-294-1136; hemingwayhome.com Open Daily 9 am - 5 pm Retrace The Footsteps Of Hemingway A registered Historic Landmark and one of Key West's most historic and unique legacies where the late Nobel Prize winner, Ernest Hemingway, was motivated to write some of his best works, including "To Have and Have Not," a novel about Key West during the Great Depression. Take a leisurely stroll through his studio, home, and gardens and meet some furry descendants of Hemingway's legendary six-toed cat.

Key West Custom House

281 Front Street Key West, FL 33040 305-295-6616; kwahs.org **Open Daily** 9:30 am - 4:30 pm National Landmark & Museum Originally home to the island's customs office, postal service, and district courts, this architectural marvel was built to keep pace with the increasing population and wealth generated by Key West's lucrative trade routes and maritime industries. Today, this beautifully restored national landmark is home to an awardwinning museum and the official headquarters of the Key West Art & Historical Society. continued on page 22

> obert The Haunted Doll, ast Martello Museum & Gallery, Key West

"Today's the Day!" Mel Fisher Maritime Museum



t was 1969 when former chicken farmer turned treasure hunter Mel Fisher started hunting for the shipwreck, Nuestra Señora de Atocha. The Spanish Galleon sank in 1622 during a violent hurricane in the Florida Straits.

For over a decade, Fisher's dogged search yielded little, but the hunt was just too intoxicating to stop.

At the time of its demise, the Atocha was ladened with a horde of contraband plundered from Central and South America. The galleon's treasure was so immense that the ship's Panama departure was delayed. At the same time, the crew spent two months recording and loading their spoils. Valued at between 250 and 500 million dollars, the Atocha's cache included silver from Bolivia, Peru, and Mexico; gold and emeralds from

Colombia; pearls from Venezuela; a gold chain valued at over a quarter million dollars; and so much more.

When the Atocha caught up with the rest of its Spanish Tierra fleet in Cuba, hurricane season was already upon them.

On September 4, 1622, the 28-ship convoy set sail for Spain. The hurricane smashed into them on the following day. Eight ships went down, including The Nuestra Señora de Atocha. All was lost.

But that all changed on Friday, July 22, 1985. After 16 years of proclaiming "Today Is The Day," Fisher's crew hit pay dirt. Just thirty-five miles offshore lay the ship's elusive "Mother Lode." With an estimated worth of \$450 million. Fisher's haul was only about half of the Atocha's original trove. The rest still remains hidden beneath the ocean.

shipwreck antiquities in the Western

Mel Fisher died just three years after his discovery, but his legacy still lives on at Key West's Mel Fisher Maritime Museum The museum boasts the richest single collection of 17th-century maritime and Hemisphere and is home to a priceless collection of artifacts from the prized Nuestra Señora de Atocha and her ill-fated sister ship, the Santa Margarita. The museum is also home to other relics from several other historical wrecks, including the English merchant slave vessel Henrietta Marie, which sank in 1700 near the Marquesas Keys.

You can see it all at the Mel Fisher Maritime Museum, 200 Greene St. More info at 305-294-2633; melfisher.org.















Mel Fisher Maritime Heritage Museum

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People are talking ...

> "Spectacular museum"

"So interesting"

"Huge fan of this place'

"So many artifacts to view"

"Well done and great story"

"One of our Top Three in Key West'

"A must see"







MUSEUMS



Key West Firehouse Museum 1024 Grinnell St Key West, Fl 33040 305-849-0678 keywestfirehousemuseum.com Tu – Sa 10 am – 3 pm Key West's Firefighting Legacy This Key West treasure boasts an incredible collection of artifacts from an island where fires changed the course of history. Located in one of Florida's oldest firehouses, the historic 1907 Firehouse No. 3 displays historical artifacts and vintage fire gear. Don't miss the last remaining steamer coal pit in America, rare fire badges and antique call boxes, a 1906 cemetery fire bell, 9/11 Memorials, and much more.

Key West Lighthouse & Keeper's Quarters

938 Whitehead Street Key West, FL 33040 305-294-0012; kwahs.org Open Daily 9:30 am - 4:30 pm A Tribute To Key West's Maritime Heritage Initially "manned" by a woman Keeper when it opened in 1848, the Key West Lighthouse

is now one of the island's most iconic attractions. Where you can walk up 88 steps to the top of the light for a birds-eye view of Key West and explore the belongings, photographs, and words of the lighthouse Keepers who bravely kept the light burning through threats of war and weather.

Mel Fisher Maritime Museum

200 Greene Street Key West, FL 33040 305-294-2633: melfisher.org Open M - Su 10 am -Last Visitor 4 pm A Bounty Of Shipwreck Treasures The legendary Mel Fisher and his team of treasure hunters come to life at this fascinating maritime museum. It displays a bounty of precious loot salvaged from the Spanish Galleon, Atocha, which sunk off Key West over 400 years ago. Treasure coins, gold,

emeralds, swords, and more are all on display here, along with special historical exhibits that explore maritime history.

Oldest House Museum

322 Duval St Key West, FL 33040 305-294-9501; oirf.org Open 10 am – 4 pm; Closed Weds & Sun Built in 1829, Key West's oldest house was home to the wrecker Captain Francis B. Watlington, his wife Emeline, and their nine daughters. The former estate includes three buildings: the main house, the kitchen house, and the exhibit pavilion. The property showcases a treasure trove of family portraits, original furnishings, maritime artifacts, a gift

shop, and works by Key West's famous Cuban American Folk Artist, Mario Sanchez. In the rear of the house is the spacious, peaceful "Lily's Garden," where you can see the only surviving Cook House in South Florida.

Tennessee Williams Museum

513 Truman Ave Key West, Fl 33040 305-842-1666; kwahs.org Open Daily 9:30 am - 4:30 pm One of America's Foremost Playwrights Learn about Tennessee Williams' literary accomplishments and life in Key West through this extensive collection of photographs, first-edition plays, books, and rare newspaper and magazine articles and videos. A typewriter used by the author while writing in Key West and many other artifacts are also on display.

Truman Little White House

111 Front Street Key West, Fl 33040 305-294-9988; trumanlittlewhitehouse.org Open M-Su 9 am - 5 pm; Guided Tours until 4:30 pm Florida's Only Presidential Site Originally constructed in 1890 as naval officers' housing, this historical compound became the winter White House for President Harry S. Truman. He spent 175 days of his Presidency here from 1946 to 1952. It has also been used by six other Presidents, including William Howard Taft, Dwight D. Eisenhower, John F. Kennedy, Jimmy Carter, and Bill Clinton. Tours take place every 15 -20 minutes throughout the day.

Key West Turtle Museum

The

OLDEST HOUSE

IN KEY WEST

Circa 1829

Historic Exhibit.

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Garden

200 Margaret Street Key West, Fl 33040 305-294-0209; keywestturtlemuseum.org Open Th – Su 11am - 5pm

A Piece of Key West History Located next to a former turtle cannery building, this former fish house is now home to the Key West Turtle Museum. Here you can explore the history of the areen sea turtle fishing industry and see a burgeoning

collection of archeological objects and turtle bones. Opened by Mel

Fisher Maritime Museum, the

Turtle Museum focuses on turtle conservation efforts, including promoting awareness, protecting habitats, and tagging for research and study. continued on page 24

What Does It Mean to be Human?

Frost Science Gives You a Firsthand Look



uddenly, artificial intelligence is everywhere. In fact, it's becoming increasingly difficult to discern between what is human and what is not. Can you tell me who is writing this article right now? Perhaps not.

So how did we get here, and where is this all going? Well, here's your opportunity to find out.

Al: More Than Human is a limitedtime international exhibition opening on Saturday, May 21, at Miami's award-winning Phillip and Patricia Frost Museum of Science. Seamlessly blending science and art, this unprecedented exhibit enables you to step into the future, where creativity and science collide and where you can experience AI's capabilities firsthand.

By interacting with machines, immersing yourself in vibrant installations, and by delving into cutting-edge research projects, you'll learn more about humanity's collaborative relationship with technology. Florida's #1 Award-Winning Visitors Guide

The exhibition traces AI's origins, from ancient Japanese Shintoism to groundbreaking innovations in computing that have shaped today's digital world.

From thought-provoking research to artistic collaborations, Al: More Than Human exhibits works by leading artists, scientists, and researchers as it explores what it means to be human, the meaning of consciousness, and whether machines will eventually outsmart us all.

Whether you're an Al enthusiast or a skeptic, this experience will challenge your perceptions and spark new conversations about our relationship with technology. And like all of Frost Science exhibits Al: More Than Human will resonate long after your visit

Opens on Saturday, May 31, and runs daily through Monday, September 1 from 10 am – 6 pm at the Phillip and Patricia Frost Museum of Science, 1101 Biscayne Blvd., Miami, FL 33132. Info: 305-434-9600; frostscience.org.

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Pérez Art Museum Miami





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MUSEUMS SOUTH MIAM-DADE CORAL GABLES AREA

Coral Gables Museum & Visitors Center

285 Aragon Ave Coral Gables, FL 33134 305-603-8067 coralgablesmuseum.org Tu – F & Su 11 am – 5 pm Gallery Nights (First F) 10 am – 6 pm Family Days (Second Sa) 11 am – 5 pm Celebrate, Investigate, and Explore the Civic Arts

Located in the Coral Gables Police and Fire Department building, this historic landmark is a great place to explore the vibrant history of Coral Gables and the surrounding areas. The museum also doubles as the Coral Gables Visitor Center and provides lots of helpful info about the area.

SOUTH MIAMI AREA

Deering Estate

16701 SW 72nd Ave Miami, FL 33157 305-680-5219 deeringestate.org Daily 10 am – 5 pm One of Miami's Premiere Landmarks Nestled along the southwestern edge of Biscayne Bay Aquatic Preserve, the Deering Estate is a 21st-century house museum and an environmental preserve that was originally home to one of South Florida's most extensive and valuable art and antique collections. Listed on the National Register of Historic Places, the estate showcases the best of South Florida's historic architecture and natural environment. It's also a favorite destination for a variety of programs, tours, classes, and signature events, which include a landmark Fall Ghost Tour and lots of fun outdoor activities in the summer.

Lowe Art Museum

1301 Stanford Dr Coral Gables, Fl 33146 W-Sa 10 am - 4 pm 305-284-3535 lowe.miami.edu An Astounding Visual Arts Museum Located in the heart of the University of Miami



campus, this extraordinary visual arts museum opened in 1952 as the first art museum in South Florida. With more than 19,000 objects in its permanent collection, you can literally spend several days here exploring a wide variety of exhibits from around the world. Important collections include significant examples of Asian, Ancient American and African art, as well as the Barton Collection of Native American art, regaled as one of the finest in the country.

Phillip & Patricia Frost Museum of Science

At Maurice A Ferré Park 1101 Biscayne Blvd Miami, FL 33132 305-434-9600; frostscience.org M - Sa 10 am - 7 pm; Su 10 am - 6 pm World Class Planetarium, Aquarium & Science Museum! With six floors of interactive exhibits, this beautiful bayfront complex is one

> of the only museums in the world that boasts a stunning three-story, 500,000-gallon aquarium (including a touch exhibit where you can pet a stingray!) The Frost Planetarium houses an impressive 250-seat auditorium powered by an 8K visual

system. Using six 3D-capable projectors with 16 million colors and surround sound, the auditorium provides a nearly 360-degree virtual experience within a 67' span. Whether you're tumbling through space, exploring the ocean's depths, or stargazing space, it's an immersive and exciting experience. FYI: The planetarium hosts Laser Evening events with eye-popping laser graphics set to popular music on select dates.

Pérez Art Museum Miami

Maurice A Ferré Park 1103 Biscayne Blvd Miami Fl 33132 305-375-3000 pamm.org Th 11 am - 9pm F - M 11 am - 6 pm;Miami's Most Popular Modern Art Museum With a legendary award-winning design and a jaw-dropping location on Biscayne Bay, "PAMM" is renowned for its exceptional collection of 20th and 21st century modern and contemporary art. The museum's expansive 120,000 square foot space boasts over 3,000 international works spanning fifteen galleries. It also showcases an array of fabulous art by Cuban, Caribbean, Latin and African diaspora artists. Outside, you'll find the museum's iconic hanging gardens and large scale sculptures, backdropped by a stunning panorama of the bay. Sharing the view is a really great restaurant serving seasonal specialties. FYI: Don't skip the Gift Shop here. Curated with quirky t-shirts, handmade goods, decorative objects, books and lots of fun novelties, it's the perfect place to pick up some great memorabilia.

Vizcaya Museum & Gardens

3251 S Miami Ave Miami, FL 33129 305-250-9133 vizcaya.org W - M 9:30 - 4:30 pm The "Hearst Castle of the East" This National Historic Landmark is the former villa and waterfront home of businessman James Deering of the Deering-McCormick International Harvester fortune. Located on Biscayne Bay in Miami's Coconut Grove neighborhood, this magnificent 20th Century estate was built between 1914 and 1922 at a whopping cost of \$15 million. Boasting magnificent Italian Renaissance gardens, native woodland landscape, and a historic village compound, the Vizcaya Museum is a treasure trove of Gilded Age technology, including that was the first of its kind in Miami-Dade County.

FOOTLIGHTS

Please confirm details with event organizers or venues in case of changes or cancellations.

ONGOING

Randy Roberts Live!

Key West: Spotlighted on television's hit series "America's Got Talent," Randy Roberts shines in this live, multimedia tribute to some of the world's most beloved performers. His uncanny impersonations of Cher, Bette Midler, and Mae West are spot-on. He'll have you rolling in the aisles when he performs a titillating striptease as the bawdy Gypsy Rose Lee. Catch this fantastic show at La Te Da's Crystal Room Cabaret, 1125 Duval St. Tickets and info: 305-296-6706: lateda.com.

DAILY

The Birdcage Cabaret

Key West: Home of North America's foremost female impressionist, Christopher Peterson and Key West's famous drag queens, The Aquanettes and the Birdcage Cabaret are a great hang any time, day or night. Peterson's lavish new show, backed by the Aquanettes, takes place every Tu – Sa at 8 pm. The

Aquanettes perform separately on M and Tu at 9 pm with two shows on W - Su at 7 and 9 pm. You can catch the lively Drag King show on Sunday nights at 7:30 pm. The bar is open Su - Th from 2 pm – 2 am and F and Sa from 2 pm – 4 am. The all-day Happy Hour doesn't stop until showtime. You can find the Birdcage Cabaret at 504 Angela St in the Aquaplex. Info: 305-294-0555; aquakeywest. com.

NIGHTLY

The Aquanettes

Key West: Key West's talented female impressionist troupe transforms into a bevy of beauties using elaborate costuming, makeup, and lip-sync. Renowned for its outrageous and comic numbers, this adult-oriented, interactive show is one of the hottest tickets in town. Takes place M – Tu at 9 pm and W – Su at 7 and 9 pm.

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At Sunset!		
January	5:50 pm	
February	6:12 pm	
March	6:29 pm	
April	7:43 pm	
May	7:56 pm	
June	8:12 pm	
July	8:20 pm	
August	8:11 pm	
September	7:46 pm	
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November

December

5:47 pm

5:38 pm

See it at the Aquaplex, 711 Duval St. Info: 305-294-0555; aquakeywest.com.

NIGHTLY Cabaret @ D'Vine Wine Gallery

Key West: This is an excellent hang if you want to kick back with a fine alass of wine and settle in for an intimate cabaret performance by some of Key West's favorite performers, like classical guitarist Matteo Jampol and pianist Bobby Green. Takes place from 5 - 7 pm at The Gardens Hotel and Cottages, 526 Anaela St. Info: 305-294-2661; gardenshotel.com. continued on page 26

GARDENS HOTEL KEY WEST

Randy Roberts Live! Key West

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FOOTLIGHTS

NIGHTLY

Jazz at Tavern N' Town

Key West: Some of Key West's top talent, including "Island Chanteuse" Carmen Rodriguez and Michael Thomas perform nightly from 5 – 7 pm during Key West's best Happy Hour. Takes place at Beachside Resort & Residences, 3841 N. Roosevelt Blvd. Info: 305-296-8100; tavernntown.com

Every Tuesday

Glow Hours

Key West: This hip rooftop terrace offers the best views in town and is an ideal spot to catch the sunset and a drink with friends. The bar is open, admission is free, and everyone looks great in the golden twilight. Takes place from 6 – 8 pm at Hugh's View on the rooftop located at The Studios of Key West, 533 Eaton St. Info: 305-296-0458; tskw.org

Tuesday – Saturday

Christopher Peterson's Birdcage Cabaret

Key West: Christopher Peterson is, without a doubt, one of North America's foremost female impressionists - visually and vocally. Often compared to the legendary master of impersonations, Jim Bailey, Christopher's new lavish 90-minute show is one of the hottest tickets in town. See him perform live, backed up by the outrageous Aquanettes Drag Queens, at his new digs every Tu – Sa at 8 pm. On stage at the Birdcage Cabaret, 504 Angela St, in the Aquaplex. Info: 305-294-0555; aquakeywest.com.

Wednesday - Sunday **Comedy Magic Bar:** The Magic of Frank **Everhart**

Key West: Key West comedian and magician Frank Everhart, never ceases to amaze. Renowned as one of the country's top comedians and magicians, his regaled "Chicagostyle, close-up magic show" not only showcases his aweinspiring magic, it's also absolutely hilarious. Takes place W – Su starting at 7 pm at the notorious

Schooner What Bar, 202 William St in Key West's Historic Seaport. Info: 305-292-9520; schoonerwharf.com.

Every Wednesday Renee Breslin

Key West: Performing modern covers and vintage hits, local favorite Renee Breslin always gets the crowd going! Takes place every W from 6 – 8 pm at the Birdcage Cabaret, 504 Angela St, in the Aquaplex. Info: 305-294-0555; aquakeywest.com.

Wednesday - Saturday **Cabaret in The Gardens**

Key West: Key West's Gardens Hotel is one of the most luxe boutique hotels on the island. Everv W – Sa, from 5 - 7pm, you can enjoy outstanding live piano music in the Hotel's intimate Cabaret. Full bar and stellar wines are the coup de gras. Find the Gardens Hotel at 526 Angela St. Info: 305-294-2661; gardenshotel.com

Every Sunday Jazz in the Gardens

Jazz Sundays

5:30-8pm

Key West: Enjoy terrific jazz amidst lush flora and fauna during this free hang that draws Key West's top jazz cognoscenti. Full bar, champagne, and fabulous wines. This popular Sunday happening takes place from 5:30 - 8 pm at the Gardens Hotel, 526 Angela St. Info: 305-294-2661; gardenshotel.com.

SPECIAL EVENTS

June 21 18th Annual **Pride Follies**

Key West: Kicking off Key West's famous Pride Week, this original variety show includes an array of unforgettable comedy, singing, and dancing. Hosted by Dominic Paolillo and Erin McKenna, it's an outrageous show that gets better and better every year!. Full bar service. Doors open at 7 pm; Showtime at 8 pm. FYI: Always a sell out, so get your tickets early. Takes place at

the Key West Theater, 512 Eaton St. Info and Tickets: 305-985-0433; keywesttheater.com

June 25 - 28

A Fabulous Evening with Lilian Baxter

Key West: Join Hollywood's favorite has-been, Lillian Baxter, as she brings her one-woman Pride Parade to Key West! She'll sing the songs and tell tales that celebrate life on the road less traveled. Show tunes? You bet! Gay anthems? Why not! Fabulous costumes? Only if she can afford them! Presented in conjunction with Key West Pride. Showtime: 7 pm at the Armory, 600 White St. Info and tickets: 305-731-0581; keystix.com.

July 11 - 12

41st Annual Underwater **Music Festival** Big Pine & The Lower Keys: The 41st anniversary of this quirky underwater concert for divers. snorkelers, and the occasional mermaid is one of the summer's biggest events. The annual shindig, which promotes reef

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Buckle In and Glitter Up— Hollywood's Favorite Has-Been Is Back!

abaret meets Gay Pride in hiah heels when "A

Fabulous Evening with Lillian Baxter" returns on Wednesday, June 25 through Saturday, June 28.

As part of this year's special Pride Celebration, the irrepressible Lillian Baxter, "Hollywood's Favorite Has-

Been" brings her one-woman Pride Parade to our Southernmost City once again.

Lillian sings the songs and tells tales that celebrate life on the road less traveled. Show tunes? You bet! Gay anthems? Why not! Fabulous costumes? As long as they're within budget!



Presented by Fringe Theater in conjunction with Key West Pride, the whirlwind 70 minute production follows the ups and downs of the almost-famous Lillian Baxter whose career was careened from MGM to television and then to obscurity in the 1970s Sharing the stage for this colorful romp

is Lillian's faithful accompanist and favorite ex-husband, Corky Weinstopper.

Created by actor John Vessels and pianist Jay Schwandt, the fictional character of Lillian Baxter is a woman who always believes that "life is coming up roses" or in this Case, rainbows.



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So buckle in, glitter up, and spend "A Fabulous Evening with Lillian Baxter." Takes place at 7 pm at the Armory, 600 White St. Seating is limited so get your tickets pronto! Info and tickets: 305-731-0581; keystix.com.

FOOTLIGHTS



SOUTH MIAMI DADE

May 14 - June 8 The Girl on the Train

Coral Gables: This gripping stage adaptation of Paula Hawkins' best-selling novel explores memory, obsession, and the thin line between truth and illusion. The story is guaranteed to keep you on the edge of your seat as the mystery unravels, revealing the shocking secrets beneath the surface. Showtime: W - Su at 8 pm at the Miracle Theater, 280 Miracle Mile. Info & Tickets: 305-444-9293; actorspalyhouse.org.

May 16 Let's Dance: Ainara • Pop Rock

Miami: A multifaceted musician from

Venezuela, Ainara's musical journey began at the age of three and has evolved into a career spanning musical genres from classical to rock. Currently, she performs regularly at notable venues throughout South Florida and is focused on releasing her original music. Takes place at 5:30 pm and at 7:30 pm at 223 E Flagler St (Across from Julia & Henry's). Free! Info: olympiaarts.miami.

May 16 Let's Dance: Valeria Tyson • R & B

Miami: Acknowledged as South Florida's very own "Queen of Soul," Hollywood, Florida native Valerie Tyson grew up singing and has been an in-demand vocalist for 40 years. Influenced by industry greats like

Aretha Franklin,

Sarah Vaughn, Otis Redding, Dionne Warwick, and John Coltrane, Valerie credits the illustrious Gladys Knight had the most significant impact on her life and singing style. Free! Takes place at 6:30 pm and at 8:30 pm at 223 E Flagler St (Across from Julia & Henry's). Info: olympiaarts.miami.

May 16 -June 15 Fat Ham Coral Gables: Think Hamlet, but with

more barbeaue and disco! This hilarious Pulitzer Prize-winning remake of Shakespeare's

story of murder and revenge swaps a Danish castle for a North Carolina BBQ pit. "Juicy," a Black queer Southern kid, already has a lot on his plate when his father's ghost shows up, demanding vengeance. Showtime: W – Sa at 7:30 pm with a 2 pm Su matinee at Gable Stage, 1200 Anastasia Ave. Info & Tickets: 305-445-1119; Boxoffice@gablestage. org.

May 18

Let's Dance: Paola Ines & Norte Sur • Latin

Miami: Hailing from the heart of Bolivia, Paola Ines embodies the spirit and sounds of Latin America. With a voice that resonates with the depth and richness of her heritage, she weaves a tapestry of rhythms and melodies that will transport you to the majestic landscapes of the Andes.

Adding to the magic is the musical group Norte Sur, renowned for their vibrant fusion of traditional and contemporary tunes. Free! It takes place at 5:30 pm and 7:30 pm at 223 E Flagler St (Across from Julia & Henry's). Info: olympiaarts.miami.

May 18 Let's Dance:

Maira Bell • Swina

Miami: Maria Bell has regularly delighted audiences as a solo pianist and ensemble leader in New York and Fort Lauderdale. As the creator of JazzSLAM (Jazz Supports Language Arts & Math), an innovative program that teaches academic skills through music, Maria's work has reached over 70,000 students in both public and private schools. Her engaging performances and educational outreach continue to leave a lasting impact on the world of jazz and education. Takes place at 6:30 pm and at 8:30 pm at 223 E Flagler St (Across from Julia & Henry's). Info: olympiaarts.miami.

June 12 - August 21 **2025 Summer Concert Series**

Coral Gables: This terrific summer concert series showcases six outstanding classical and jazz luminaries. Showtime: 7:30 pm. It takes place every other Thursday at Coral Gables United Church of Christ, 3010 De Soto Blvd (across from the Biltmore Hotel). Info: 305-487421, ext. 120; communityartsprogram.org.

July 5 – 26

Shrek The Musical Coral Gables: The rib-tickling story of everyone's favorite ogre is brought to life in this upbeat musical stage production. In a faraway kingdom, things get turned upside down when an unseemly ogre shows up to rescue a feisty princess. Throw in a dozen other fairy tale misfits, and you've got the kind of mess that calls for a real hero. Weekend matinees only. Showtimes: Sa & Su at 2 pm at the Miracle Theater, 280 Miracle Mile. Info & tickets: 305-444-9293; actorsplayhouse.org.

July 16 - August 10 Step By Step

Coral Gables: This US premiere is a rollercoaster of memories. emotions, and personal revelations, showcasing comedic brilliance through witty dialogue and clever one-liners that will leave audiences laughing out loud.

Showtime: Sa & Su at 2 pm at the Miracle Theater, 280 Miracle Mile. Info & tickets: 305-444-9293; actorsplayhouse.org.

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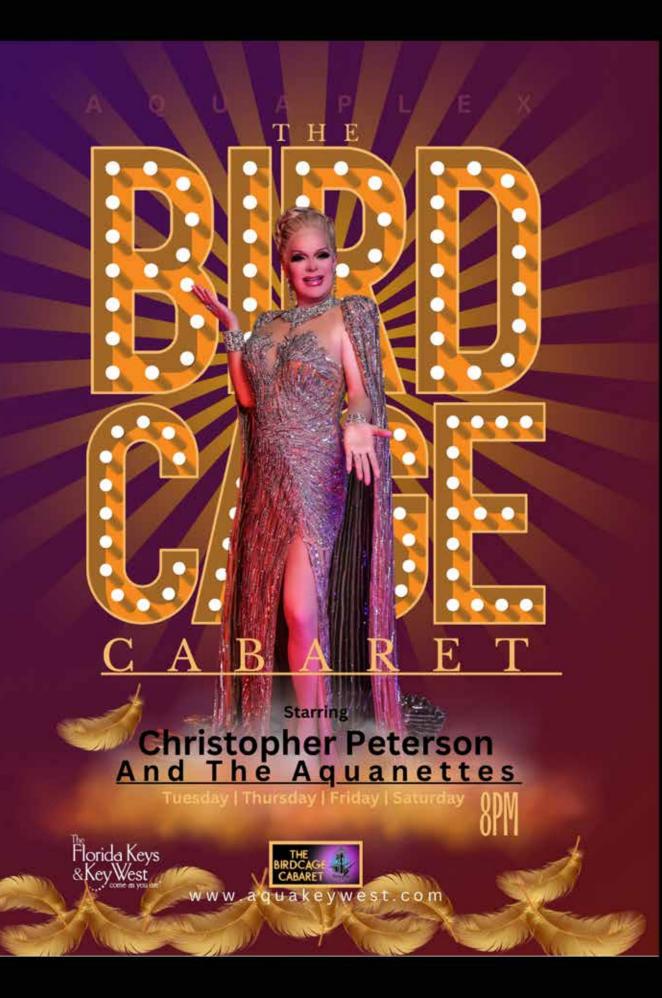
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Oh, The Folly of It All! Key West's Pride Follies Is Vintage Fun

f you were an aspiring performer back in the '50s and '60s, the one person who could guarantee your stardom was Ed Sullivan.

In case you're too young to remember, Sullivan was television's undisputed "Kingmaker," who helped turn the gyrating Elvis Presley into a singing sensation. Sullivan also brought British heartthrobs like the Beatles to the US for their first live performances in front of legions of screaming teenagers.

So what do The Ed Sullivan Show and Key West's annual *Pride Follies* have in common?

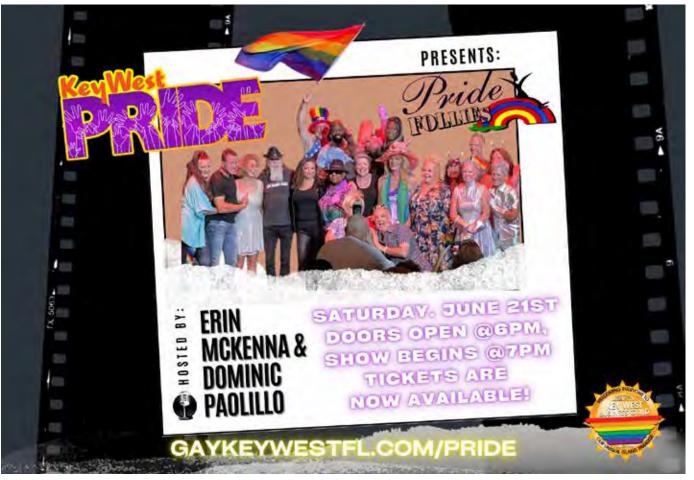
Now in its 17th year, *Pride Follies* is reminiscent of Ed Sullivan's vintage hit TV show, making old-fashioned vaudeville cool again. This year's *Pride Follies* kicks off Key West Pride: *Still Rising* and is the brainchild of our own Peter Arnow. A long-time pillar of Key West's island community, Arnow, with the help of the Key West Business Guild has stewarded its success for over a decade.

Produced by the Key West Business Guild, and hosted by Dominic Paolillo and Erin McKenna, this year's show is guaranteed to be a dynamic roller coaster ride with acts ranging from outstanding vocals and dancing programs to fun and saucy burlesque performances, comedy routines, and more.



Pride Follies takes place on Saturday, June 21, at the historic Key West Theater, which offers full bar service. FYI: Must be 21 or older. Doors open at 6 pm; Showtime at 7 pm. FYI: It's always a sellout, so get your tickets early.

The Key West Theater is at 512 Eaton St. Info & Tickets: 305-985-0433; keywesttheater.com.



Please confirm details with event organizers or venues in case of changes or cancellations.

ONGOING

Daily Mini Golf

Ramrod Key: This kid-friendly 18-hole course boasts a fun caveman theme with two giant waterfalls and four fountains. And get this: If you're 21+, you and your friends can have a cocktail or glass of wine while you putter around. Happens daily from 10 am – 10 pm at Boondocks Grille & Draft House at 27205 Overseas Hwy (MM 27.5). Info: 305-872-4094; boondocksus.com.

Daily

Miniature Golf

Marathon: The Keys' newest and largest mini-golf attraction is a full-size 18-hole course that challenges the best of the best. Lush landscaping and an impressive local coral rock waterfall make it one of the Middle Keys' "Must See" destinations. Top it all off with a variety of snacks, slushies, frozen daiquiris, or cold beer. Open daily 10 am – 10 pm at Porky's Bayside, 1410 Overseas Hwy. Info: 305-731-7592; porkysbaysidebbq.com.

Nightly

Snook's Bayside Sunset Celebration Key Largo: Kick back with

a rum punch on Snook's

5,000-square-foot waterfront patio, listen to some great live music, and enjoy an unobstructed panoramic view of the sun sinking into the Florida Bay. The nightly event is ceremoniously marked by the "Sunset Horn" bellowing just before the fiery ball disappears into the horizon. The fun continues well after dark with live entertainment and

dancing under the palms. Happy Hour prices from 4 – 6 pm on various libations and appetizers. Takes place at Snooks Bayside & Grand Tiki at MM 99.8, Southbound Lane, behind the Sandal Factory Outlet. Info: 305-453-5004; snooks.com.

Friday, June 6 - Sunday, June 8, 2025 Compete For Over \$35,000 In Cash & Prizes! 32nd Annual Lower Keys Dolphin Tournament

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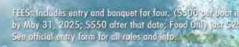
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Nightly

Lor-E-Lei Sunset Celebration

Islamorada: As that big ball of fire starts to sink into the horizon, the live music kicks in, and the bar crowd spills onto the beach for some serious toes-in-the-sand revelry. On most nights just after sunset, magician Michael Trixx, who was featured on America's Got Talent, performs a "Rock-N-Roll Magic Show" that will blow your mind. Daily Happy Hour from 4 – 6 pm. You can find the Lorelei Restaurant & Cabana Bar at 96 Madeira Rd. Just look for the giant mermaid at MM 82, Bayside. Info: 305-664-2692; loreleicabanabar.com.

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WHAT'S UP

Nightly

Key West Sunset Celebration

Key West: Each evening, about two hours before sunset, flocks of people gather at Key West's Mallory Square and on the pier behind the Opal Key Resort & Marina on Front Street to watch the sun slowly sink into the Gulf of Mexico and revel in the colorful street performers, local artists, psychics, and food vendors who have made Key West's Sunset Celebration a world-famous, multicultural happening.

Nightly

Aquaplex

Key West: With three reinvented venues all under one roof, Key West's state-ofthe-art entertainment complex is where it's all happening. This world-class club, with high-tech lighting and an industrial vibe also boasts a lovely outdoor garden bar called the Back Bar, as well as 22&Co, is heralded as the best drag bar in the Keys. But the crowning jewel of it all is the Birdcage Cabaret, which features the world-renowned female impressionist and singer Christopher Peterson, backed by The Aquanettes, an outrageous troupe of talented drag queens. Find it all at 711 Duval St. Info: 305-294-0555; aquakeywest.com.

WEEKLY

Monday & Tuesday

Glow Hours: Rooftop Happy Hour on Hugh's View

Key West: For a headier Happy Hour, head up to Hugh's View, where the bar is open. There is free admission, and everyone looks great in the golden twilight. Hugh's View sits on the roof of The Studios of Key West. It offers panoramic vistas across the rooftops of Old Town, from the Gulf of Mexico on one side to the Atlantic on the other. Takes place from 6 – 8 pm at The Studios of Key West, 533 Eaton St. Info: tskw.org.

Every Tuesday

Farmers Market

Key Colony Beach: Stock up on all of your favorite local produce, fruits, baked goods and more at this hometown's favorite outdoor market. Takes place from 9 am – 2 pm on the corner of 7th St and W Ocean Dr. Info: 305-289-1212 ext 2; keycolonybeach.net.

Every Thursday

Key West Waterfront Farmers Market Key West: This traditional farmer's market includes seasonal produce, fruits, cheese, pickles, nuts, honey, seafood, fresh bread, hot sauces, and more. You can also shop for local arts & crafts, flea market goods, jewelry, clothing, cigars, and CBD. Takes place from 2 pm – 7 pm at the Truman Waterfront (end of Southard St). FYI: Bring your

own bags. Info: 305-731-3385; keysatisanmarket.com.



Every Saturday Open-Air Market

Ramrod Key: Discover a great selection of local art, handmade jewelry, and one-ofa-kind creations, as well as fresh organic produce, greens, and flowers. Takes place from 9 am - 2 pm in the parking lot of Boondocks Plaza, 27205 Overseas Hwy (MM 27.5). Info: 305-872-4094; boondocksus.com.

Every Sunday Jazz in The Gardens

Key West: Enjoy some hot jazz amidst lush flora and fauna during this free hang that draws Key West's top jazz cognoscenti. Full bar, champagne, and fabulous wines. Takes place from 5:30 – 8 pm at the Gardens Hotel, 526 Angela St, Key West. Info: 305-294-2661; gardenshotel.com.

MONTHLY

First Friday First Fridays on Fleming

Key West: "The Fabulous 500 Block of Fleming Street" showcases boutiques, galleries, and eateries with all kinds of cool events, including jewelry trunk shows, art openings, book signings, tastings, and libations. Takes place from 6 – 9 pm. Info:305-304-9001: fabflemingkw.com.

First Saturday

Market on the Green

Key West: Shop some fantastic local arts at this fun artisan market. Takes place from 10 am – 2 pm at the Sunset Green Event Lawn located between the Gates Key West Hotel and 24 Deg. North Hotel, 3852 N Roosevelt Blvd. Info: 305-400-4117; thekeyscollection. com

Third Saturday

Native Plant Sale

Key West: Shop over 2,000 native, rare, and endangered plants from the Keys, Cuba, and the Western Caribbean at this terrific monthly plant sale. It takes place from 9 am to Noon at the Key West Tropical Forest & Botanical Garden, 5210 College Rd. Info: 305-296-1504; keywest.garden.

SPECIAL EVENTS

May 26

Schooner Wharf Bar Minimal Regatta

Key West: Known as "the only boat race you can view from start to finish from shore," this wacky regatta is also a race to stay afloat. Savvy sailors use minimal materials, including plywood and duct tape, to build their tiny vessels. Races begin at Noon at Schooner Wharf Bar, 202 William St in Key West's Historic Seaport. Info: 305-292-3302: schoonerwharf.com

June 1 - 20

Summer Solstice Celebration

Key West: As a unique precursor to this year's June 20 Solstice — which marks the official first day of summer, a colorful series of special events and performances will take place each evening leading up to the big event. Takes place nightly, starting at 7 pm at Key West's Mallory Square and on the pier behind the Opal Key Resort & Marina on Front St.



June 6 – 8

32nd Annual Lower Keys Chamber Dolphin Tournament

Lower Keys: Anglers contend for over \$35,000 in cash prizes and awards. Register for the tournament and enjoy appetizers and a cash bar on Friday, June 6, during the special Kick Off Party. Takes place at 5 pm at the Boardwalk Bar & Grill, 31044 Ave A on Big Pine Key. Info: 305-872-2411; lowerkeyschamber.com.

June 21

18th Annual Pride Follies

Key West: Kicking off Key West Pride Week, this original variety show includes an array of unforgettable comedy, singing, and dancing. Hosted by Dominic Paolillo and Erin McKenna, it's an outrageous show that gets better and better every year!. Full bar service. Doors open at 7 pm; Showtime at 8 pm. FYI: Always a sellout, so get your tickets early. Takes place at the Key West Theater, 512 Eaton St. Info & Tickets: 305-985-0433; thekeywesttheater.com.

June 22 - 29

Key West Pride 2025: Still Rising Key West: This colorful five-day celebration is jam-packed with daytime pool and beach



parties, late-night drag shows, and onthe-water adventures. Street Fair, Pride Parade, and more. Complete schedule at gaykeywestfl.com. Info: 305-294-4603.

June 24

Screening: Stonewall Uprising Key West: Part of this year's Pride Celebration, this special screening examines the events leading up to what is considered to be



the defining moment in our country's Gay Rights Movement - NYC's 1969 riot at the Stonewall Inn. The screening expands on "The Stonewall Uprising: The Start of a Movement " Exhibition at the Key West Museum of Art & History. Includes a champagne reception and a lively panel discussion. Takes place at 7:30 pm at the Tropic Cinema, 416 Eaton St. Info: 877-761-3456. continued on page 37

Still Rising... Key West Pride 2025 Honors the Past

/ ey West's "One Human Family" ethos is more than just a slogan: it's a philosophy that our local community (gay, straight, trans, binary, etc) proudly lives by daily. And with more and more of our human rights being usurped by far-right politicians, it's more important than ever that we stand together and celebrate our diversity.

tickets: 305-985-0433; keywesttheater. com.

Things officially kick off on Sunday, June 22 at 5:30 pm when you can "Rise Up and Show Your Pride" at this fun opening night party. Unlimited drinks, a buffet, live entertainment, and a great DJ make for a great night at AquaPlex, 711 Duval Street.

Parade," which begins at Whitehead, then travels down to Front Street, and goes right onto Duval. Then, festivities come to a crescendo with a fabulous overthe-top Teg Dance at Truman Waterfront Park on Southard Street.

Of course, this is just a sampling of all the fun and wild things to come. But while this year's celebration includes its renowned weeklong line-up of edgy activities, it also raises the bar with "headier" cultural events like the special screening of the powerful documentary, "Stonewall Uprising," at the Tropic Cinema. The film debuts at 6:30 pm on Tuesday, June 24, and examines the events leading up to what is now considered the defining moment in America's Gay Rights Movement: the 1969 rebellion at the Stonewall Inn in New York City.

Also not to be missed: "The Stonewall Uprisina: The Start of a Movement.

This compelling limited-time exhibit, in collaboration with the Key West Art & Historical Society and the Stonewall National Museum, is on display daily at the Custom House Museum through June 6. The powerful installation delves into the individuals, events, and locations of those pivotal June nights in Greenwich Village, NYC. It also explores why the Stonewall Uprising became a catalyst for the movement's equal rights advocacy for LGBTQIA+ Americans. See it daily from 9:30 am - 4:30 pm at the Custom House Museum, 281 Front St. Info: 305-850-8343; kwahs.org.

For complete details on everything else that's happening, hit up GayKeyWestFL.com.

Have fun and be safe!



July 3 - 7

Annual Key Lime Festival Key West: This long limey holiday weekend includes a full menu of activities, including a Key Lime Sip & Stroll, Key Lime Pie Hop, a gravitydefying Key Lime Pie Drop from the top of the Key West Lighthouse, and the World Famous Key Lime Pie Eating Championship. It's one tasty, lip-smacking weekend! Complete event schedule at keylimefestival.com.

July 4

4th of July Rooftop Fireworks Viewing Key West: Wear your red, white, and bluest finery and bring your firecracker personality to this panoramic Independence Day Party. Ticket price includes a free drink, a view of the fireworks on the horizon, and a DJ. Takes place from 8 – 10 pm at Hugh's View on the rooftop of The Studios of Key West, 533 Eaton St. Info: 305-296-0458; tskw.org.

July 4 **Independence Day** Celebration

Keys-Wide: There are lots of 4th of July happenings going on all over the Keys, so here's a quick view of what's happening: Key Largo: Celebrate Independence Day with an annual 4th of July Parade, which rolls out at 9:45 am from MM 98 –100, followed by a picnic. Enjoy a fireworks display at 10 pm on Blackwater Sound, MM 104, Bay-side. Marathon: The holiday parade begins at 10 am on Sombrero Blvd (MM 50, Oceanside), followed by free day-long festivities at Sombrero Beach, culminating with a massive fireworks display at 9 pm. Big Pine & The Lower Keys: The celebration starts at 5 pm at Big Pine Community Park with music, food, and fun, followed by a fireworks extravaganza after sunset. Key West: Fireworks light up the Atlantic starting at 9 pm off the White St Pier.



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Key West Pride: Still Rising, which takes place on Saturday, June 21 – Sunday, June 28, celebrates seven decades of Pride by honoring the past and embracing the present.

Presented by the Key West Business Guild, Still Rising pays homage to the history and resilience of the LGBTQ+ community.

Things start off with a bang on Saturday, June 21, with Key West's renowned "Pride Follies." This original variety show includes an array of unforgettable comedy, singing, and dancing. It always sells out, so get your tickets early. (FYI: Read more about it on page 32). Showtime at 8 pm at the Key West Theater, 512 Eaton Street. Info & 36 DESTINATION FLORIDA Florida Keys & Key West

Of course, there are a plethora of events, entertainment, and activities all week long. Standouts include "A Fabulous Evening with Lillian Baxter." when Hollywood's favorite has-been brings her

one-woman Pride Parade to Key West! On stage at 7 pm Wednesday, June 25 – Friday, June 27, at the Armory 600 White St. Info & tickets: 305-731-0581; keystix.com.

On Saturday, June 28, starting at 4 pm, the 700 - 800 Blocks of Duval will transform into a mega "Generation of Strength" Street Fair & Dance Party with live performances, dancing in the streets, and over 50 eclectic vendors.

On Sunday, June 29, starting at 7 pm, things culminate with the "Still Rising Pride

July 4

Annual Hospice & VNA July 4th Picnic

Key West: This annual family-friendly, beachside picnic is also a fundraiser for Monroe County's Hospice with an endless supply of hot dogs and hamburgers, top entertainment, a silent auction, children's activities, and a giant fireworks display off of the White Street Pier by Higgs Beach. Kicks off at 5 pm on the lawn and beach of the historic Casa Marina Resort, 1500 Reynolds St. Info: 305-294-8812.

July 11 - 12

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WHAT'S UP



July 18 - 25 **Mel Fisher Days Celebration**

Key West: This annual charity event tributes to rum-and-coke drinking, gold-chain-adorned Keys character Mel Fisher. Celebrated as "the world's greatest treasure hunter," Fisher's 1985 discovery of the Nuestra Señora de Atocha shipwreck and whose motto of "Today's the Day" inspired people worldwide to follow their dreams. The event includes live music, a chance to win a piece of authentic treasure, live and online silent auctions, and more. Festivities kick off on Friday at 4 pm at Schooner Wharf Bar, 202 William St in Key West's Historic Seaport, Info: 305-292-3302; schoonerwharf.com

July 22 - 27 **Hemingway Days**

Key West: Writers, anglers, and fans of the late author Ernest Hemingway come together for five days of some one-of-a-kind Key West antics. The festival honors the legacy of the American literary giant who lived and wrote on the island for most of the 1930s. This celebration includes a three-day Marlin Tournament, the raucous Hemingway® Look-Alike Contest, the wacky "Running of the Bulls" down Duval St, and a 5k run that salutes his sporting interests. Info: 305-294-0320; fla-keys.com.

July 30 - 31

Lobster Mini-Season

Florida Keys: Every Lobster mini-season, the coastal areas of Florida are flooded with

lobster hunters trying to get their share of this year's bounty. There are two Florida Lobster Seasons, the 2-day mini-season and the 8-month regular lobster season. The lobster mini-season is always the last consecutive Wednesday and Thursday in July.

August 13 - 17 **Key West Tropical Heat**

Key West: This All-Male-All-Adult feverpitched festival includes more than a dozen over-the-top decadent events ranging from drag shows to themed pool parties and gatherings at island clubs. Not for the faint-hearted! Info: 305-294-4603: gaykeywestfl.com

August 13

- 17 Key West Rum Festival

Key West: Now in its second year, this island "Rumba," showcases the best rum from around the world. The festival includes sunset sails, sandbar trips, rum strolls, rum-centric food and cigar events, several live

concerts, the annual rum cake competition, grand rum tasting, and more. Get all the deets at rumfestkeywest.com.

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September 3 – 7 Womenfest

Key West: A magnet for thousands of women from around the world, this blockbuster four-day festival celebrates freedom and diversity. In addition to creating a sense of female empowerment, the festivities include a fun lineup of non-stop parties, live performances, and lots of great women-centric activities. Info: 305-294-4603; gaykey-westfl.com. continued on page 42

Citrus. Eccentrics. People & Pie! Key West's Annual Key Lime Festival

itrus, eccentrics, people, and pie take center stage during Key West's Annual Key Lime Festival. This wacky fiveday celebration, which runs from Wednesday, July

2, through Sunday, July 6, is packed with culinary events for every taste.

As the birthplace of the original Key Lime Pie, Key West is renowned for serving up some of the best Key Lime Pies in the world. During this long, limey holiday weekend, you'll be able to indulge

in a full menu of off-the-wall activities, as well as several new events. Topping the list of perennial favorites: the Annua Key Lime Cocktail Sip & Stroll, Key Lime Pie Hop, and the raucous "Battle of the Bartenders."

Of course, there are all kinds of other fun culinary happenings, too, including several delicious Key Lime-centric dinner and brunch events, as well as a gravity-defying Key Lime pie drop competition - from the top of the Key West Lighthouse! The Festival's undisputed "limelight," however, is the World Famous Key Lime Pie Eating Championship. Brave contestants must attempt to devour



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an entire pie, topped with mounds of whipped cream, without using their hands - all while trying to outpace their rivals and beat the pie-eating record of 52 seconds.

And that's just the half of it! For a complete list of festival events, hit up keylimefestival.com.

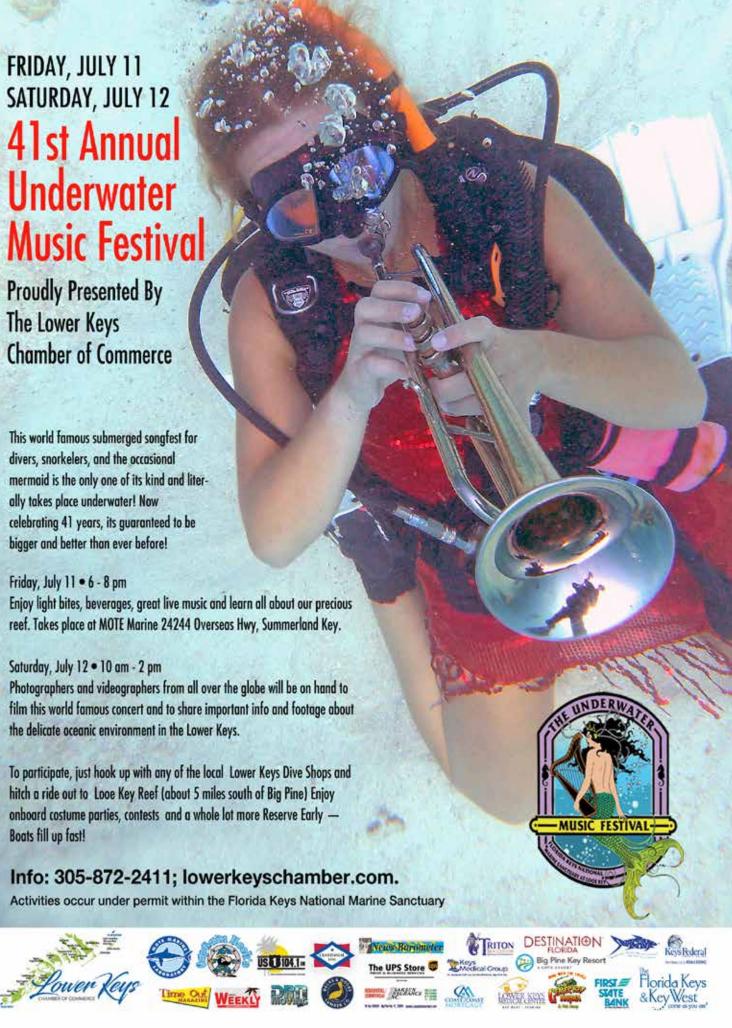
Rock the Boat, Baby! The 41st Annual Underwater Music Festival

Staged by Keys radio WWUS 104.1 FM, the wave of music resonates from 10 am – 2 pm at Looe Key Reef, an area of the Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary, which is approximately six miles south of Big Pine Key. The station broadcasts its specially curated hit list underwater via Lubell Laboratory speakers suspended under boats positioned above the reef.

> It's a lot of fun, but on a more serious note, the concert also promotes preserving the Keys' unique coral reef ecosystem by incorporating diver awareness announcements that offer tips on ways to enjoy the reef while minimizing environmental impacts.

You can launch your boat from one of the public ramps and marinas in the area, or you can reserve space on boats run by Lower Keys dive operators who have their own onboard costume parties.

It truly is an underwater concert that will blow your fins off! Info: 305-872-2411; lowerkeyschamber.com.



vstical mermaids and creatively costumed musicians playing artist-sculpted instruments are gearing up for the Lower Keys' notorious 41st Annual Underwater Music Festival, which takes place on Saturday, July 12. Festivities for the quirky

underwater

concert kick off

with an opening reception at Mote Marine (24244 Overseas Hwy, Summerland Key). Enjoy live music, nibble on lite bites, wet your whistle with a variety of tasty libations, and get a first-hand look at Mote's outstanding efforts to restore our endangered reefs.

On Saturday, July 12, it's time to wear your favorite costume, grab your fins, and hit the deck for a wild and wacky underwater concert you'll never forget.

on Friday, July

11, from 6 – 8 pm

WHAT'S UP SOUTH MIAMI-DADE

WEEKLY

Every Thursday - Sunday Redland Market Village

Redland: Part flea market, part farmers market, part food emporium; this bustling marketplace is the place to shop for great bargains and fresh local produce. With almost two dozen International Food Trucks, live entertainment, and lots of fun seasonal events, visiting this 27-acre attraction is always a fun jam. Takes place on Th - F from 11am – 6 pm and on Sa & Su from 7 am – 6 pm at 24420 S Dixie Hwy. FYI: Be sure to check out the great weekend Flea Market! Info: 305-257-4335; redlandmarketvillage. com

Every Saturday & Sunday

Farmers & Artisans' Market Miami: Renowned for its great shopping and dining, Bayside Marketplace is also a great "go-to" for one of Miami's best Farmers & Artisan Markets. Farm-to-table produce, prepared foods, and locally sourced goods share the stage with over 70 shops and 30

- 6 pm at Bayside Marketplace, 401 Biscayne Blvd. Info: 305-577-3344: baysidemarketplace. com

restaurants. Takes place from 11 am

Every Sunday Vizcaya Village **Farmers Market**

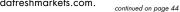
Coconut Grove: Enjoy farm-fresh, local produce, artisan-crafted treats, hand-crafted goods, and more from over 30 local vendors. Admission is free but does not include entry to the Main House and formal gardens on the East side of the estate. Takes place, rain or shine, from 9 am – 2 pm at Vizcaya Historic Farm and Village, across the street from Vizcaya Museum, 3250 South Miami Ave. Info: 305-250-9133; vizcaya.org.

Every Sunday

Coconut Grove Artisanal Market Coconut Grove: With a rotating roster of artisans, goods, foods, and entertainment, no Sunday is ever the same at this Grove favorite. A curated group of artists showcases unique art, antiques, jewelry, handbags, clothing, handmade masks. delicious treats and lots more. It takes place, rain or shine, from 1 – 6 pm at St Stephen's Church 2750 McFarlane Rd. Info: 305-906-1287.

Every Sunday

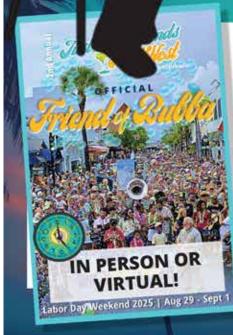
Farmers & Artisans Market Coral Gables: This acclaimed "Florida Fresh Market" is a top pick for fresh, locally sourced produce, good food, live music, artisan products, and anything and everything authentic. Takes place every Su from 11 am – 6 pm at Merrick Park, 358 San Lorenzo Ave. Info: 305-318-6148: floridafreshmarkets.com.





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- Second Line Parade & Party in the Park Sun, Aug. 31
- Margarita Strolls, brunches, happy hours & foodie events
- Sunset sails, tiki cruises & beach parties
- Book signings, film screenings & Buffett-inspired panels
- Exclusive meetups, contests & afterparties
- & Key West High School Band
- New hotel packages & commemorative festival badges

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WHAT'S UP



MONTHLY

Every Third Wednesday The Market on Ponce

Coral Gables: Shop an array of delicious fresh foods, baked goods, juices, and handmade acods from local artisans and crafters. Takes place, rain or shine, from 10 am – 2 pm in the courtyard at 2555 Ponce de Leon. Info: 786-699-7590; miamifriendors.com

First & Third Saturday & Sunday **Zoo Miami Famers Market**

Miami: Shop a fabulous selection of fresh produce, handmade crafts, unique gifts, and delicious eats from top local vendors. Takes place, rain or shine, through June 2025, from 10 am – 5 pm at Zoo Miami, 12400 SW 152 SW 152 St. Info: 786-699-7590; miamifriendors.com

SPECIAL EVENTS

Now - September 14 **Dinos Among Us**

Miami: Giants of the past come roaring back to life during this fantastical, immersive, limited-time exhibit. You'll be instantly transported back to prehistoric times, where twenty life-size animatronic dinosaurs move and roar right in the heart of the Zoo's

botanical garden. See a mighty Tyrannosaurus Rex, as well as lots of other incredible creatures that once roamed the Earth, while you learn about dinosaurs' lives, their extinction, and the world they inhabited. Included with regular admission. Takes place daily from 10 am – 5 pm at Zoo Miami, 12400 SW 152nd St. Info: 305-255-5551; zoomiami.ora.

May 22

Taste of Success Experience

Coral Gables: Designed for foodies with discerning tastes, this premier food and wine event celebrates the city's top chefs, culinary creators, and influencers. Enjoy a curated selection of gourmet tastings, signature cocktails, and exquisite wine pairings from the region's finest restaurants and culinary artisans. It's a great opportunity to savor bold flavors, discover new

culinary trends, and meet the talented chefs behind each dish. Supports the Summer of Success Program for young adults with Autism and Learning Difficulties. Takes place at the Coral Gables Country Club, 990 Alhambra Circle. Info & Tickets: 305-661-8355; tasteofsuccessexp.org.

July 12 - 13

Fairchild's Tropical Mango Festival Miami: South Miami- Dade's juiciest event of the season is also a celebration of all things mango. Featuring hundreds of exotic mango varieties, the festival is the ultimate homage to the King of Fruit, and the weekend is as delicious as the mango itself. Enjoy mango tastings, cooking demos, mango-inspired activities and classes. You can also buy tickets for a flight of mango cocktails, a mango brunch, or for mango smoothies. The weekend festival is a cultural kaleidoscope of live music, family-oriented games and activities, food trucks, and an energetic Boutique Marketplace. It takes place from 10 am to 5 pm at the Fairchild Tropical Botanical Garden, 10901 Old Cutler Rd. Info: 305-667-1651; fairchildgarden.org.

August 1 – September 30

Miami Spice Restaurant Months Coconut Grove: This annual foodie fest returns for its 2025 edition. Coconut Grove is one of the area's hottest dining neighborhoods. Miami Spice is the perfect opportunity to sample the latest culinary offerings in South Miami's most historic neighborhood. The special promotion offers discounted, three-course menus at select restaurants throughout the city, including lots of lunch, brunch, and dinner options. For a list of participating restaurants and more info, hit up miamibeaches.com.

OTHER FLORIDA HAPPENINGS

May 30 - June 28 Legally Blonde: The Musical

Fort Myers: Based on the iconic movie, this ultimate tribute to girl power follows the journey of sorority girl Elle Woods to the Harvard halls of justice. Watch as she tackles stereotypes, chauvinism, elitism, and scandal in pursuit of her dreams. Packed with memorable songs, this musical is so much fun, it should be illegal! Takes place at Broadway Palm Dinner Theater, 1380 Colonial Blvd. Info and tickets: 239-278-4422; BroadwayPalm.com.

July 12 - 13

Sponge Docks Spring Craft Festival Tarpon Springs: Explore the nest in handmade arts and crafts, soaps, jewelry, and unique gifts by local artists and crafters along the famous Sponge Docks and just steps away from some of the country's best Greek restaurants, markets, and bakeries. Takes place on Sa from 10 am - 6 pm; and on Su from 10 am – 5 pm at 735 Dodecanese Blvd. Info: sikpromotions.com.

August 23 - 24

Annual Coke Zero Sugar 400 Daytona: One of NASCAR's most premier events. this summer classic showcases drivers vying to secure

their playoff spots in the final 10-race

battle for the NASCAR Cup Series championship. Takes place at the Daytona International Speedway, 1801 W International Speedway Blvd, Daytona Beach. Info: 800-748-7467; DaytonalnternationalSpeedway.com.

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UPPER KEYS

INDIAN KEY HISTORIC STATE PARK

Offshore Island, MM 78.5 Oceanside Islamorada, FL 33036 305-664-2540; floridastateparks.org Open Daily 8 am – Sunset Historic Indian Site This tiny island once housed the largest population between St. Augustine and Key West and was also home to one of the Keys' most lucrative ship wrecking empires. In 1840, Indian warriors burned all the structures and killed most of the residents. Accessible only by boat, it's a fantastic spot to swim, kayak and hike. Boat shuttle and kayak rentals available from Robbie's Marina at MM 77.5, Gulfside.

JOHN PENNEKAMP CORAL REEF PARK

MM 102.6, Oceanside Key Largo, FL 33037 305-451-6300; pennekamppark.com



Open Daily 8 am - Sunset America's First Underwater Park Approximately 21 miles long and four miles wide, this national treasure is famous for its spectacular coral gardens, 600+ species of exotic fish, turtles and old sailing wrecks. Plenty of activities throughout the park so there's lots to do and see. There are also two beaches, campsites, picnic areas, a Visitors Center, Gift Shop, Dive Shop and Concession Stand.



KEY LARGO PRINCESS

99701 Overseas Hwy Key Largo, Fl 33037 305-451-4655; keylargoprincess.com Cruising Daily at 10 am, 1 pm & 4 pm, closed Tues The Keys Favorite Glass Bottom Boat Cruise Hop aboard this 75-foot luxury, Coast Guard-certified, glass bottom boat for an eye-popping two-hour tour around the John



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Pennekamp Coral Reef State Park - the only undersea park in the United States. Not only will you be able to get an up-close and personal view of the beautiful underwater world of the Key Largo National Marine Sanctuary, you'll also be able to peer into the depths of Key Largo's spectacular Molasses reef. Best of all, you can view it all from the comfortable air-conditioned cabin or outside on the spacious sun deck. With room for 140 passengers, you'll have plenty of elbow room.

LIGNUMVITAE KEY BOTANICAL PARK

Offshore island, MM 78.5, Gulfside Islamorada, FL 33036; 305-664-2540 Open Th – M 8am – 5:30 pm; Tours F – Su The Real Florida Keys

With its thriving virgin tropical hardwood hammock, this nature preserve has been called "the last place that truly represents the Florida Keys." In 1919, a wealthy Miami chemist bought the tiny island and built a caretaker's home which is now a Visitor Center for the island forest. Ranger-guided tours. Accessible only by boat. Boat shuttle and kayak rentals available from Robbie's Marina at MM 77.5, Bayside, Islamorada.

MIDDLE & LOWER **KEYS AREA**

BOONDOCKS MINI GOLF

27205 Overseas Hwy Ramrod Key, Fl 33042 Daily 10 am - 10 305 - 872-4094; boondocksus.com The Keys' Premier Miniature Golf Course

Wandering through the Boondocks 18-hole mini golf course is like traversing through a lush garden...with a putter in your hand. This kid-friendly course is a perfect family adventure with a fun Caveman theme, two giant waterfalls, four fountains, and a full bar. Fore!

BAHIA HONDA STATE PARK

MM 37, Oceanside, Big Pine Key, FL 33043 305-872-2353, floridastateparks.org

Open Daily 8 am – Sunset One Of The Nation's Top Beaches Often cited as one of the nation's "Top 10 Beaches," this glorious palm-studded beach, with its beautiful crystalline water. offers superb swimming and snorkeling close to shore. In addition to the beach, the Park's 524 acres of subtropical flora and fauna, nature trails, cabins, campsites, and boat ramps make it a nature lover's dream. Snorkeling and windsurfing rentals available. Admission fee.

DOLPHIN RESEARCH CENTER

MM 59, Gulfside Grassy Key/Marathon, FL 33050 305-289-1121; dolphins.org Open Daily 9 am - 4:30 pm One Of The Keys Oldest Dolphin Facilities Founded in 1984 as a non-profit marine mammal education and research facility, the DRC is one of the oldest dolphin facilities continued on page 48

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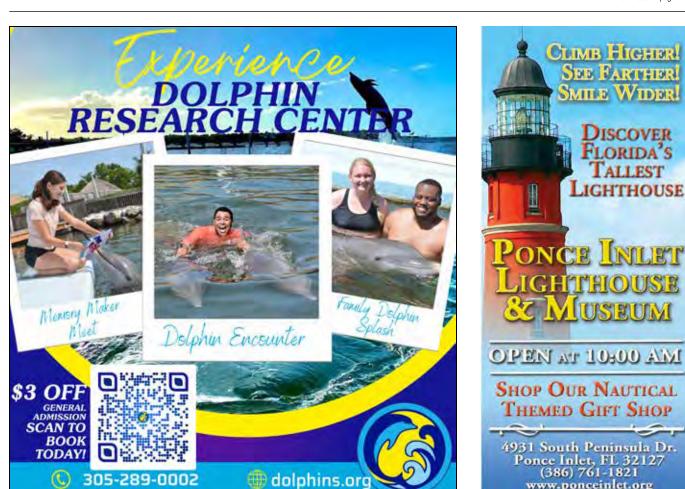
ust a few miles from Old Town Key West, yet far away from the maddening crowds of Duval Street is a place where you can totally chill. A zen-like retreat and the only frostfree sub-tropical native botanical garden in the continental US, the historical Key West Tropical Forest & Botanical Garden spans an incredible 15 acres.

Part arboretum and botanical garden, part wildlife refuge and education center, this lush, open-air "living museum" and natural conservation habitat is one of the Keys' oldest attractions and is a sight to behold.

Home to a native plant botanical garden, three freshwater ponds, beautiful flora and fauna, and two oneacre butterfly habitats with over two dozen discovered species, it's also a refuge for many threatened and endangered species, as well as a major migratory stop for South American neotropical birds.

Don't be surprised if you're greeted by flocks of regal herons, white-crowned pigeons, egrets, and many other water birds nesting in the Garden's two wetland habitats. Keeping them company are dozens of freshwater turtles.

A trip to the Key West Tropical Forest





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a whole different side of Key West. A side you don't want to miss. Open daily from 10 am - 4pm at 5210 College Rd on Stock Island. Info: 305-296-1504; keywest.garden.

& Botanical Garden will immerse you in

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in the Keys. There are several sensational opportunities here for up-close introductions with many exciting interactive programs available daily, as well as educational narrated sessions. Advance reservations are usually required for dolphin swims.

HISTORIC PIGEON KEY

Offshore Island, Marathon, FL 33050 305-743-5999; pigeonkey.net Open Daily 10 am – 4 pm Step Back In Time This tiny coral island was the original work camp for workers who built the Key West extension of the Flagler Railway and once housed a thriving village of more than 400 people until the railroad's demise in 1935. Today you can tour the island's historic buildings, picnic on the lawn or snorkel in the shallow bay. Ferry departs from Faro Blanco Marina, check in at the Visitors Center, 2010 Overseas Hwy, Marathon. The Ferry departs 10 am, 11:30 am, 1 pm and 2 pm.

PORKY'S BAYSIDE MINI GOLF

Marathon, Fl 33050 1410 Overseas Hwy Marathon, Fl 33050 305-731-7592; porkysbaysidebbq. com Daily 10 am -10 pm (weather permitting) Eighteen Holes of Fun for the Whole Family The Keys' newest and largest mini

golf attraction is a full-size 18-hole course that challenges the best of the best. A fun tropical theme, lush landscaping, and an amazing local coral rock waterfall make it one of the Keys' "Must See" destinations. Top it all off with a variety of snacks, slushies, frozen daiquiris, or cold beers, and you've got yourself a great day - not at the beach! Special event packages and tournaments, too!

TURTLE HOSPITAL

MM 48.5, Gulfside Marathon, FL 33050 305-743-2552; turtlehospital.org Open Daily 10 am - 4 pm The World's Only Certified Sea Turtle Hospital

The only state-certified veterinary hospital in the world for sea turtles. This unique non-profit organization is also the only facility that rehabilitates injured sea turtles (up to 70 per year) and releases them back into the wild. You can engage in educational discussions, get a behind-the-scenes look at the hospital and enjoy a fascinating guided tour through the turtle rehab area. Reservations OUTHERNMOST required.

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BAREFOOT BILLY'S Island-Wide Locations

Key West, Fl 305-735-2241; barefootbillys.com Open Daily 8 am - 8 pm Home Of The Original Island Jet Ski Tour Billy Mosblech loves being on the water. For the last 20 years, he has owned and operated Key West's premium jet ski company. But jet skis aren't his only

gig. Billy can also hook you up with snorkel gear, kayaks, paddleboards, Hobie Cats, and more. He also offers a Dolphin Watch & Snorkeling Tour, Morning Island Cruise, and a Sunset Harbor Cruise. His Seabreeze Boat Cruises leave from Garrison Bight Marina off of Palm Ave. Looking for a bike or scooter? Billy rents those. too! FYI: If you book directly online, you can save yourself 10% on any of Barefoot Billy's special tours. Call

305-900-3088 or hit up barefootbillys.com and use coupon code "BAREFOOT." You can find Barefoot Billy's at three convenient Key West locations: Casa Marina Resort at 714 Seminole St; the Reach Resort at 1435 Simonton St: and the Garrison Bight Maring. 719 Palm Ave.

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KEY WEST, FL

End Of Southard Street Off Whitehead Key West, FL 33040 305-295-0037; fortzacharytaylor.com Open Daily 8 am – Sundown; Tours of The Fort Daily @ Noon Home Of Key West's Famous Civil War Fort Designated as a National Historic Landmark in 1973, this state park is anchored by a famous Civil War fort. The beach is shaded by several acres of Australian pine trees so it's always a bit cooler than the rest of the

island. Good deep water swimming, chair rentals, grills, restrooms and a concession stand.

KEY WEST TROPICAL FOREST & BOTANICAL GARDEN

5210 College Road Stock Island/Key West, FL

33040 305-296-1504; keywest.garden Open Daily 10 am - 4 pm Not To Be Missed

The only frost-free botanical garden in the continental U.S. is home to

many endangered flora and fauna and includes 200 species of tropical trees and plants, over 100 species of butterflies and rare birds and two of the Keys' last remaining fresh water ponds. Four self-guided tours take you through a lush canopy of tropical palms and trees in a meandering 7-acre setting. Visitors Center and free parking.

SOUTHERNMOST POINT MONUMENT

Corner of Whitehead & South Streets Key West, FL 33040 305-294-2587 Open 24/7 A True "Kodak Moment" "The most photographed icon in the Keys" does, indeed, provide a true "Kodak Moment" for virtually everyone who visits

here. The larger-than-life buoy commemorates the southernmost spot in the continental U.S and stands next to a plaque memorializing the Cuban refugees who drowned in their attempts to reach America.

SOUTH MIAMI-DADF HOMESTEAD/FLORIDA CITY AREA

Biscayne National Park

9700 SW 328th St Sir Lancelot Jones Way Homestead, Fl 33033 305-230-1144 nps.gov/bisc Park Grounds: Daily 7 am – 5:30 pm Visitors Center: Daily 9 am - 5 pm A National Treasure Regaled as the largest marine sanctuary in the National Park Service, ninety-five percent of the park's 173,000 acres are actually underwater. You'll see lots of abundant wildlife here, including more than 600 species of native fish and sea life, neotropical water birds, and over 30 threatened or endangered animal species. Bordered by thriving mangrove forests, the park also encompasses several islands, as well as the Florida Reef - the world's third-largest coral reef system and the only living coral barrier reef in the US. If you like to dive or snorkel, the park's Maritime

See You At Sunset!	
January	5:50 pm
February	6:12 pm
March	6:29 pm
April	7:43 pm
May	7:56 pm
June	8:12 pm
July	8:20 pm
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September	7:46 pm
October	6:56 pm
November	5:47 pm
December	5:38 pm

Heritage Trail provides a fascinating underwater exploration of the reef. Divers can also journey deeper to visit six deep ship wrecks spanning nearly a century. There are plenty of adventures for all ages, including both land and sea guided tours.

Everglades National Park

40001 State Rd 9336 Florida City, FL 33034 306-242-7700 nps.gov/ever Open 24/7

The Largest Subtropical Wilderness in the US There are just so many terrific ways to explore and experience this national treasure! The park's diverse wildlife and pristine coastal ecosystems are simply aweinspiring and should not be missed when you're in the area. Stroll through a canopy of nature on the Boardwalk; take a leisurely boat tour in Florida Bay to see manatees and tropical birds; hop on a flying Airboat



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and enjoy a gator wildlife show or access remote areas with a guided boat, kayak, and walking Eco Tour. It's one trip that you will never forget!

Fruit & Spice Park

24801 SW 187th Ave Homestead, FL 33031 305-247-5727 miamidade.gov/fruitandspicepark Open Daily 10 am - 5 pm Finders Keepers! Home to fabulous gardens, fun festivals, continued on page 50

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and tastefully exotic experiences, this 37acre subtropical paradise is loaded with more than 500 varieties of exotic fruits, herbs, spices and nuts. Not only is the park absolutely gorgeous, it's also a place where you can eat whatever varieties of fruit you find! The rule here is simple: any piece of fruit on the ground is fair game to eat! Come during mango season and you can feast on an all-you-can-eat buffet of fallen mangoes. The \$15 admission fee nets you a halved mango with a plastic spoon for scooping. After that, it's finders- keepers. FYI: Bring your own small knife for easy slicing.

Homestead-Miami Speedway

1 Speedway Blvd Homestead, Fl 33035 866-409-7223 Call for Hours homesteadmiamispeedway.com Home of NASCAR Racing in South Florida There's always something going on at this action-packed 600-acre attraction. With an accessible location just north of the Florida Keys, the track has both a 1.5-mile oval course with 18 – 20 degree variable banking in the turns, as well as a challenging 2.21-mile road course. It also boasts a



premier go-kart track with a kart shop, rentals, and races. In addition to thrilling NASCAR racing action, the Speedway hosts quite a few special events, including car shows, motorcycle races, concerts, and more throughout the year. You can also enjoy race car rides, fan drag races, and fishing in an 18-acre lake stocked with rare Peacock Bass. Tent and RV camping, too!

Jungle Island

1111 Parrot Jungle Trail Miami, FL 33132 305-400-7000 jungleisland.com Open Daily 9:30 am - 5 pm Unleash Your Inner Explorer With 18 acres of immersive, real-life jungle experiences, Miami's iconic eco-adventure park is home to some of the world's rarest and most exotic animals, as well as lots of exciting exhibits, interactive attractions, and sensational shows. There's also 1.35 miles of winding, covered trails where you can stroll by streams and waterfalls under a lush canopy of tropical trees. Kids, especially, will be turned on by the Pop-Up Waterslides, Outdoor Wind Tunnel, Zip Lines, Escape Rooms, and Nerf Battle Stadium. General Admission includes several sensational shows, wildlife exhibits, the Jungle Splash Waterpark, Treewalk Village, Everglades Habitat, and Playground.

Redland Market Village

24420 S Dixie Hwy Redland, FL 33032 305-257-4335 redlandmarketvillage.com Indoor Farmers Market: Th – F 11 am – 6 pm; Flea & Farmers Market: Sa & Su 7 am – 6pm;

Farmers & Flea Market | Food Emporium Spanning over 27 acres, this family-owned attraction is home to a huge Farmers Market with fresh, local produce, including natural organic fruits and vegetables; a local Fish Market and Plant Nursery; an indoor/outdoor Flea Market; and over 22 international Food Trucks. There's also live entertainment, dance performances, and festive celebrations throughout the year.

Robert Is Here Fruit Stand & Farm 19200 SW 344th St

Homestead, FL 33034 305-246-1592 robertishere.com Open Daily, 9 am - 6 pm A Mandatory Miami/Florida Keys Stop This family-owned market has been a popular pitstop for over 60 years and is renowned for having "the best milkshakes in the universe." Not only is it a fun place to shop for rare and exotic fruits, fresh local produce, homemade hot sauces, iams, and other goodies, it's also home to a small Animal Farm right behind the store where you can mingle with goats, cows, pigs, and even some emus. There's also a huge aviary for bird lovers.

CORAL GABLES AREA

Venetian Pool (Opening In May) 2701 De Soto Blvd Coral Gables, FL 33134 305-460-5306 coralgables.com Seasonal Hours Historic Coral Rock Swimming Pool This is the only swimming pool in the nation to earn a coveted spot on the National Registry of Historic Places. And with good reason. Chiseled out of a limestone rock auarry in the 1920's, it is an amazina work of art that emulates a natural rock formation. The 820,000-gallon pool ranges in depth from 4' to over 8' and is embellished with lavish Mediterranean-style fountains, whimsical waterfalls and a grotto where natural water-filled caves stretch back into the hillside. It's truly one-of-a-kind!

Zoo Miami

12400 SW 152nd St Miami, FL 33177 305-251-0400 zoomiami.org Daily 10 am – 5 pm One of the Largest Zoos in the US With almost 750 acres and 4 miles of walkways, Zoo Miami is the only sub-tropical zoo in the continental US and is also home to more than 2,000 animals and 375 different species. The lush, tropical open-air exhibits replicate natural habitats, which are designed to give you an up close and personal experience with some really exotic wildlife. The zoo also houses more than 750 species of trees, palms, and other plants, and over 100 special exhibits showcasing a broad number of species and scientific topics.

Welcome to Jurassic Park! "Dinos Among Us" Transforms Zoo Miami

7.00

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hese days, Zoo Miami feels more like a Jurassic Park than an animal park. With more than twenty lifesized animatronic dinosaurs now taking up residence in the zoo's botanical garden, "Dinos Among Us" is amazing.

This extraordinary outdoor adventure takes you back to a prehistoric world where extinct creatures

like the mighty Tyrannosaurus Rex, its viscous baby T-Rex, and its nest of freshly hatched newborns come roaring back to life. But the Tyrannosaurus Rex family is just the beginning.

For a limited time, the zoo is also home to several iconic dinosaurs. Sharing the stage is a longnecked Brachiosaurus, which could reach up to 50' tall; a Triceratops with its three horns and parrot-like beak; and a fullgrown "spitting" Dilophosaurus and baby - fast-moving carnivores named after their two crests. DINO ALERT: Don't get too

comfortable. There are three other impressive predators moving about the garden, as well.

Be on the lookout for the killer Titanoboa. Reaching an estimated length of 42' and weighing in at 2,500 lbs or more, it's the largest species of snake that ever lived.

Keeping it company is the venomous Megalania. Resembling a monstrously large monitor lizard with an entire jaw

> could instantly administer a lethal death blow to its prey.

or more, the Terror Bird was among the largest apex predators of its time and weaponized its sharp claws into a highly effective killing machine.

In addition to all of the animatronic dinosaurs, there are also several life-like exhibits showcasing dinosaurs posed in their natural state. You'll get to meet a couple of Coelophysis - very fast runners with curved necks that resemble long-legged birds; a small meat-eating

of serrated teeth, the Megalania And then there's the carnivorous Terror Bird. With an axe-like beak and a height of ten feet

Deinonychus slashing through its fallen prey; an Allosaurus, one of history's most popular dinosaurs that ran upright on two feet, and the Suchomimus - a large fish eater resembling today's modern crocodile.

On top of it all, you can also pose for an interactive photo op with a thickfrilled, one-horned Pachyrhinosaurus (say that three times fast!).

Hey, who could ask for anything more?

The fantastical immersive "Dinos Among Us" exhibit continues through September14 and is included with regular admission. Takes place daily from 10 am – 5 pm at Zoo Miami, 12400 SW 152nd St. Info: 305-255-5551; zoomiami.org.

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In Key West, eager shoppers have been combing the island for treasured goods since the mid-1800s. Back then, local wrecking captains auctioned off highly coveted goods salvaged from merchant ships grounded on nearby

reefs. Today, it's much easier to get your hands on unusual handcrafted gifts custom jewelry, unique clothing, collectibles, local art, and more.

Turn the page for some of our favorite shops to get you started.

FLORIDA KEYS & KEY WEST

AQUA D' KEYS

1075 Duval St Key West, Fl 33040 305-676-5620; AquaDKeys.com Daily 10 am - 9 pm The Scent of the Keys Who knew that someone would figure out how to capture the true essence of the Keys



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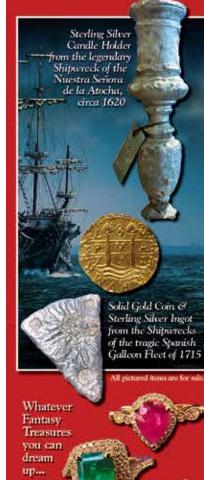
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BlissJewelers.com Daily 10 am - 7 pm

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EMERALDS INTERNATIONAL

104 Duval St Key West, FL 33040 305-294-2060; emeraldsinternational.com T – Sa 11 am – 6 pm Our Emeralds Make Diamonds Green with Envy® World renowned emerald and conch pearl authority, Manuel Marcial de Gomar, began mining emeralds in 1955 on horseback in the mountains of Colombia. His passion for emeralds spilled over to conch pearls after traveling throughout the Caribbean. This passion and a love for unique design shaped his legacy and imprints the stunning collection on display in his Key West retail boutique. Shop online at emeraldsinternational.com and get 10% Off when you enter code SPARKLE10 at checkout!

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906 F Kennedy Drive (Behind Kennedy Plaza) 305-296-4367; jeffsgems.com Open Tu - F 10 am - 5 pm; Sa 10 am – 4 pm Elegant Handcrafted Jewelry Famous for creating the rings for the royalty of Key West's Annual Fantasy Fest, Master jewelry designer Jeff Woessner started making jewelry at the tender age of five. His prolific talent garnered him multiple awards and a loyal clientele who revel in his meticulously handcrafted rinas, earrinas, necklaces, bracelets, and one-of-a-kind custom pieces made from authentic treasure coins. Jeff can tackle all jewelry and watch repairs, and his small shop also stocks a great selection of nautical designs & gifts.



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82681 Overseas Hwy., Islamorada, Fl 33036 Entrance On Old Hwy 305-962-1956; keyspawn.com Open M – F 10 am – 4 pm And By Appointment Not Your Ordinary Pawn Shop! Get terrific deals on an exclusive collection of luxury watches like Audemars Piguet, fine jewelry, high quality diamonds, unusual antiques, vintage Louis Vuitton bags, rare guitars and more. The inventory is always changing so you never know what you're going to find. They also offer the best interest rates on loans and pay the highest prices for gold, watches, diamonds and jewelry.

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The Perfect 10 Making Waves with Ron Jon

t was 1959 when young Ron DiMenna, began selling fiberglass surfboards out of his parent's attic on the Jersey Shore.

Surfing was just catching on in the US, and it was making big waves with teens all over the country. Amplified by Hollywood movies and freewheeling music from The Beach Boys, The Surfaris, and Jan & Dean, it soon became a pop-culture phenomenon

Initially, the West Coast was the epicenter of it all. Just about every major surf brand and surfboard maker waxed their boards there. California was the place to go if you wanted one of the newest fiberglass surfboards.

And that's exactly what Ron DiMenna did. The enormous demand for custom

surfboards in the East inspired Ron to haul back not one, but three, fiberglass boards. He sold the extra two boards in a Jersey minute and suddenly found himself at point break.

In 1961, Ron opened his first Ron Jon Surf Shop at a trailer park on Long Beach Island, New Jersey. The tiny shop not only sold fiberglass surfboards but also supplied customers with boards to sell out of their own East Coast surf shops.

Two years later, the spirited entrepreneur headed to Florida to launch a "one of a kind" Ron Jon Surf Shop in Cocoa Beach. It was an instant hit.

Ron Jon Surf Shop is now the world's most renowned surf shop and has locations around the globe, including right here in Key West. So if you're





looking to kick back in some relaxed island threads, the latest surf fashion, or collect some cool Ron Jon souvenirs, this place is your Perfect 10.

Catch your wave at Ron Jon Surf Shop, 533 Front St, next to the Conch Train Depot. Info: 305-293-8880; ronionsurfshop.com.

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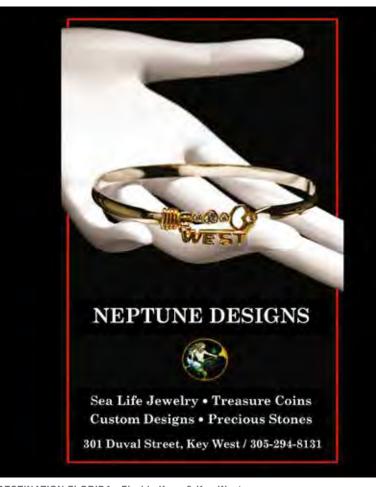
533 Front St (Next to the Conch Tour Depot) Key West, Fl 33040 305-293-8880; ronjonsurfshop.com Open Daily The World's Most Famous Surf Shop This iconic lifestyle shop carries the best apparel and accessories for the surf, skate and beach crowd. Whether you're looking for relaxing island wear, the latest surf fashion or Ron Jon

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selection of premium, organic products straight to your door. The box includes a variety of products including chocolates, vapes, gummies, pre-rolls, flowers, and more. Find the Greeen House at three locations in Key West at 431 Front St: 211 and 532 Duval St: in Bia Pine Key at 30964 Overseas Hwy; in Marathon at10875 Overseas Hwy; in Islamorada at 82751 Overseas Hwy; and in Key Largo at 99304 Overseas Hwy. Additional locations on Marco Island and in Naples.

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TREASURE HUNT TIPS

Looking for treasure? Walk along the high-tide line where the sand is softest and sift through any debris. It may yield a great find.

Wet sand may also expose pirate bounty when the surf recedes after each wave. Hit the beach soon after an ocean storm. Heavy wave action stirs up sediment and at times picks up objects, like coins, which can tumble right onto the beach.

Look for areas with more shell deposits than others. It could indicate where strong currents stir up loose objects and deposit them on the shoreline.

But while eyeballing like this can yield a valuable surprise, you still can't beat a metal detector for finding hidden treasures under the sand!

What's That You're Wearing? AQUA D' KEYS – The Scent of the Keys

ho knew that someone would finally figure out how to capture the true essence of the Florida Keys and put it in a bottle? Enter Key Wester's, Dominik, Ron, Maurizio, and Todd. After futilely searching for affordable gifts symbolic of Key West, the four long-time friends created their own: a proprietary line

of signature scents and the only locally produced Eau De Parfum inspired by the beauty of the Florida Keys.

Their new Key West fragrance boutique, AQUA D' KEYS.

features six uniquely crafted home scents, unisex perfumes, and body care products that embody the fresh, adventurous, and romantic lifestyle of the Keys.

With names like Tortuga, Marquesas, West, Summerland, Islamorada, and Largo, they are truly an emblematic reminder of how wonderful our tropical island chain really is.



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Find your unique scent at AQUA D' KEYS, located at two convenient Key West locations: 1075 Duval St in Duval Square; and 291 Front St in The Shops At Mallory Square. Open daily from 10 am – 9 pm. You can also order securely online at AquaDKeys.com. For more info, give them a ring at 305-676-5620.



The Spirit of Classic Key West

Tucker's Provisions Stands the Test of Time



art general, part dry goods store, Tucker's Provisions harkens back to the days of classic cocktails and weekend soirees. An era when men suited up, and women donned strands of pearls for their Saturday night dates on Duval.

Born from a time when people shopped for quality, this island emporium is way beyond cool. Tucker's curated collection of objects and apparel is inspired by vintage Key West, the coastal lifestyle, and a genuine American aesthetic that's both understated and timeless.

This is where to score

classic, sustainably sourced clothing for the whole family and shop an exclusive array of hip accessories and sturdy items for everyday use. If you see people walking around Key West in hats or shirts with a rooster emblazoned on them, there's a good chance it came

from Tucker's Provisions. The locally owned shop is renowned

for its signature rooster logo, which is emblematic of Key West's iconic wild chickens and roosters.

As owners Kurt and Natasha Matarazzo like to say, "The Tucker's Provisions world is one of lemonade and cocktails on porches, picnics on the beach, and lessons learned around the dinner table."

So skip the tourist traps — this is a real deal family-owned island store that embodies the true spirit of Key West. Tucker's Provisions is open daily from 10 am - 10 pm at 611 Duval St. Info: 305-304-5004; tuckersprovisions.com

WHY SUPPORT LOCAL SHOPS?

- You'll boost the local economy
- It is the ethical choice
- You'll often find quirky, one-off gifts
- You'll support local entrepreneurs
- Customer service is better
- Keeps the community unique

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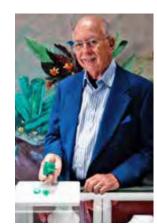
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for emeralds. After years of field mining, Marcial's diligence finally pays off. He trades in his pick ax to become an emerald wholesaler, gem consultant and prolific jewelry designer.

During a trip to the Caribbean Coast, Marcial is awe-struck by the Queen Conch pearl and adds the coveted rarity to his collection.

Now heralded as one of the world's foremost authorities on emeralds and Queen Conch pearls, Marcial strikes off to the Bahamas where he opens the very first emerald specialty shop outside of Colombia. Finally, in 1980, he debuts Emeralds International in Key West.

Today, Marcial's passion for emeralds, Queen Conch pearls, and stunning designs makes his familyrun shop a top destination for jewelry lovers. Treasure buffs also flock here for historical coin designs and for remarkable recreations of treasure jewelry.

Find it all at Emeralds International, 104 Duval St. Info: 305-294-2060; emeraldsinternational.com









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Florida Keys Outlet Marketplace

250 E Palm Dr Florida City, FL 33034 305-248-4727 premiumoutlets.com M - Th 11 am - 8 pm; F & Sa 10 am - 9 pm; Su 11 am - 7 pm Great Deals On All Of Your Favorite Brands! Located at the gateway to the Florida Keys, this sprawling open-air marketplace includes 50+ name brand stores. Shop Aeropostale,

Tommy Hilfiger, Gap Factory, American Eagle Outfitters, Levi's, Van Heusen, and Nautica; specialty shops like Coach and Sunglass Hut: shoe stores including Nike, Nine West, Converse, Skechers, and Bass. There are also several kids' shops including Osh Kosh Bigosh, Carter's, and Gymboree. FYI: Best of all, the mall is Fido-friendly!

COCONUT GROVE AREA

CocoWalk

3015 Grand Ave Coconut Grove, FL 33133 305-444-0777 cocowalk.com Su – Th 10 am – 10 pm; F & Sa 10 am - 11 pm; A Tropical Neighborhood Village With a wild mix of hip boutiques, acclaimed restaurants, fun bars, and a luxury thirteenscreen movie theater, this iconic, reimagined outdoor mall is where it's happening. Located right in the heart of downtown Coconut Grove and surrounded by tropical gardens and lush surroundings, it's an absolute "must-visit" whenever you're in the area.

CORAL GABIES AREA

Giralda Plaza

120 Giralda Ave (Between Ponce de Leon Blvd & Galiano St) Coral Gables, FL 33134 Various Hours Trendy, Fashion Forward Shopping Heralded as South Miami's "Restaurant Row," this reimagined pedestrian-only block is also a popular destination for fabulous shopping. There are several high-style boutiques with chic tropical clothing, jewelry, accessories, and more bordering the outdoor Plaza. You'll also discover some great home decor here.

Miracle Marketplace

3301 Coral Way Miami, Fl, 33145 305-569-0311 miracle-marketplace.com Daily 10 am – 9:30 pm **Big Box Retailers Galore** With three levels of affordable brands and several casual eateries, this is one of Coral Gable's most bustling shopping scenes. You'll find lots of the big boys here, including Nordstrom Rack, DSW, Marshalls, Five Below, Visionworks, and Petsmart- as well as lots of other mainstream stores.

Miracle Mile

(Located on Coral Way between LeJeune Rd and Douglas Rd) Coral Gables, FL 33134 305-569-0311 coralgables.com Daily 7 am - 10 pm "European-Chic" Shopping & Dining With more than 350 upscale shops, art galleries and hip restaurants, this vibrant,

pedestrian-friendly downtown boulevard is the epicenter of the Coral Gables shopping and dining scene. Lined with mature trees and historic architecture, Miracle Mile is one of South Florida's most elegant neighborhoods and a magnet for the rich and famous.

Shops at Merrick Park

358 San Lorenzo Ave Coral Gables FL 33146 305-529-1215 shopsatmerrickpark.com M – Th 11 am – 8 pm; F & Sa 11 am – 9 pm; Su 11 am – 6 pm Farmers Market: Su 11 am – 6 pm Two Levels of Luxurious Outdoor Shopping Backdropped by beautiful streetscapes, this fashion-forward mall is home to a variety of boutiques, major department stores, and almost a dozen eateries. There's a movie theater and fitness center, as well. You can shop over 60 upscale brands here, including Gucci, Nordstrom, Neiman Marcus, David Yurman, AnnTaylor, Jimmy Choo, Johnny Was, Lululemon, Madewell, Chico's, Banana Republic, Crate & Barrel, Pottery Barn and lots of other favorites. Wear your sneakers!

Bayside Marketplace

401 Biscayne Blvd Miami, FL 33132 305-557-3344 Baysidemarketplace.com M – Th 10 am – 10 pm; F & Sa 10 am - 11 pm; Su 11 am - 9 pm Premier Shopping, Good Eats & Fun Tours This sprawling marketplace isn't just about trendy fashion boutiques and specialty shops - it's also a culinary haven with dozens of acclaimed waterfront cafes, gourmet eateries, and cozy bistros. On top of it all there are several local cruise and land tours here so it's also a perfect place to launch your next adventure. Towering more than 200' above the Marketplace, is Skyviews Miami. This massive "Ferris wheel" is equipped with 42 climatecontrolled gondolas and gives passengers an unparalleled birds-eye view of Biscayne Bay, Bayfront Park, and the iconic Downtown Miami skyline.

Call The Mad Brit! The Keys Salt Scrub

nown as the "Mad Brit," Laura Maddison has a "thang" for salt scrubs. That salty passion inspired her to create her own line of locally made scrubs.

Crafted in small artisan batches, The Keys Salt Scrub, is made with Laura's proprietary blend of salts, coconut oil and essential oils that are all-natural. chemical and cruelty-free.

Don't be surprised to see her darting in and out of our local restaurants



and shops. She's an absolute stickler about keeping their restrooms stocked with her complimentary scrub. It makes it easier for everyone to sample and purchase their own jars right on the spot.

Available in Tropical Key Lime, Coconut, Lavender, Mango Coconut and Plantation Pineapple, The Keys Salt Scrub can literally transform your skin in just 60 seconds.

See for yourself the next time you stop in at one of our local restaurants and shops. Dollars to donuts you'll pick up a jar or two before you leave.

For more info, call the "Mad Brit" at 305-852-9499 or hit up theKevsSaltScrub.com.

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Pelcome to the Greeen House — a hip Florida THC dispensary that redefines the art of cannabis curation.

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engaged. They know how to listen, assess your needs, and recommend just the right items. They can also introduce you

to the latest products and innovations available at the Greeen House.

FYI: No worries if you're not near a Greeen House retail dispensary. You can also order the "Monthly Box," a unique Greeen Box subscription service that delivers a curated selection of premium, organic products straight to your door. The box includes a variety of products, including chocolates, vapes, gummies, pre-rolls, flowers, and more. The Greeen House has several Florida Keys locations in Key West at 431 Front Street and 211 and 532 Duval Street; in Big Pine Key at 30964 Overseas Hwy; in Marathon at 10875 Overseas Hwy; in Islamorada at 82751 Overseas Hwy; and in Key Largo at 99304 Overseas Hwy.

BTW: If you happen to be in Southwest Florida, you can also find additional locations on Marco Island at 719 Bald Eagle Drive, in Naples at 89 9th Street South, and at 1803 Tamiami Trail North. *"Stop On By and Stay High!"*



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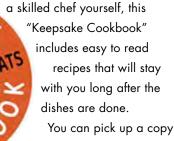
Enjoy Fabulous Food from the Florida Keys Favorite Recipes from the Keys' Top Restaurants!



f you want to find out what's cooking in the Florida Keys & Key West, grab yourself a copy of Keys Eats — a fun and lively tribute to the island chain's top local

restaurants. This humorous cookbook by local food writer, Pamela Childs, reflects the Florida Keys'

fun, tropical flavor and shares popular island recipes from some of the island chain's top chefs. From signature starters and lite bites, to tropical mainstays and decadent desserts, it's a flavorful romp that will keep you hungry for more! Whether you're a beginner in the kitchen or



at local restaurants, and gift shops throughout the area or

order online at amazon.com. Makes a great gift and your friends and family will love you for it!

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UPPER KEYS

ATLANTIC'S EDGE RESTAURANT

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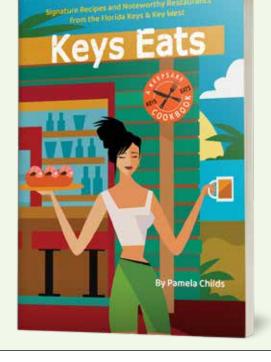
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If You Love Our Restaurants, You'll Love This Keys Keepsake Cookbook!

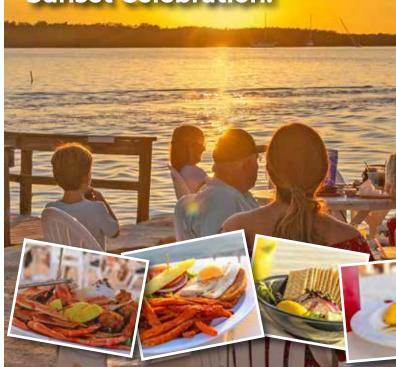
"Boasting profiles of local chefs, the backstories of legendary eateries, and unique recipes for signature dishes, this genre-defying read is a must-have if you're a resident of the Keys, a food lover who loves to travel, or someone who wants to try Florida Keys delicacies from their own kitchen." - Self-Publishing Review, *****

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tropical roots. Also unique: the spicy "Pepe" Pizza with red sauce, mozzarella, pepperoni cups and hot honey. For dessert, you can indulge in the over-the-top "Nutella Pizza," topped with hazelnut praline, banana, whipped cream, cherries and caramel. Beer and wine, too. FYI: Locals receive 15% off of menu prices — available exclusively for Monroe County residents. Order online and get it delivered! continued on page 68



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Something To Crow About The Buzzard's Roost, Key Largo

alk about a Keys' hideaway! If you weren't looking for it, you probably would never run across the Buzzard's Roost in north Key Largo, and that would be a darn shame because it's one of the best casual waterfront restaurants in the Upper Keys.

Situated dockside at the Garden Cove Marina, this cozy spot may be off the beaten track but the food is all that and a bag of chips.

You'll find loads of locally caught seafood dishes here, as well as big, belly-buster sandwiches, juicy chargrilled Black Angus burgers, jumbo chicken wings and a whole lot more.

Whatever you do, do not, we repeat, do not pass up the Smoked Wahoo

Blended Fish Dip, Lobster Reuben or Corny Blue Crab Cakes. All are Blue Ribbon worthy. Big plates run the gamut from Shrimp Scampi, a Seafood Combo

Platter, and Lobster prepared every which way, to Chicken Marsala, certified Black Angus Steaks and slow roasted BBQ Baby Back Ribs.

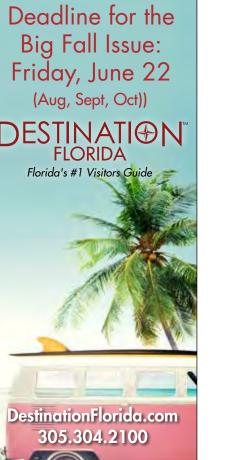
FYI: The Sunday Brunch (10:30 am -2 pm) is just as fabulous and includes a complimentary mimosa!

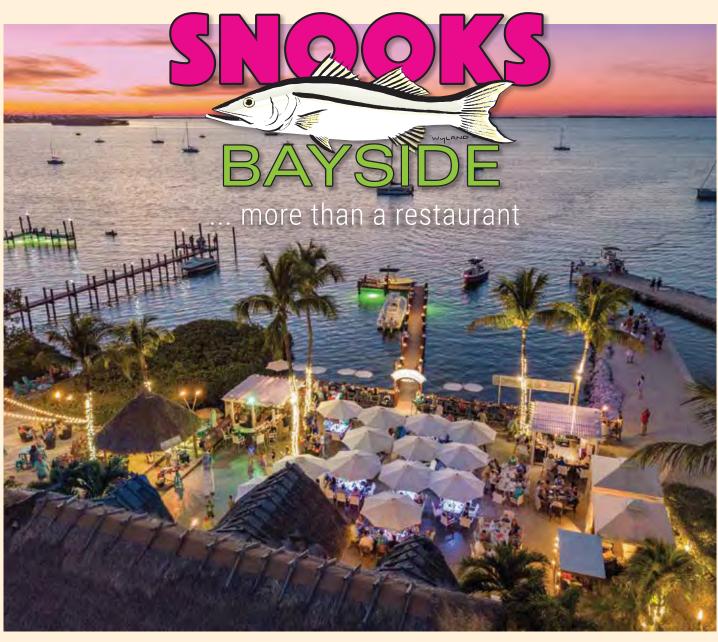
Discover this hidden gem just before the entrance of Card Sound Road at 21

Garden Cove Drive, MM 106.5, Oceanside in Key Largo. Open M – Sa from 11:30 am – 9 pm; Su 10:30 am - 9 pm. Info: 305-453-3746; buzzardsroostkeylargo.com.

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Three Waters Resort & Marina 84001 Overseas Hwy Islamorada, FL 33036 305-664-5300; islamoradaresortcollection.com W – Su 5 – 10 pm Wood-Fired Regional Specialties It's all about "WOW" moments at this new signature restaurant which recently opened at the the oh-so-fabulous oceanfront Three Waters Resort & Marina in Islamorada. A massive open-hearth kitchen takes center stage where master chefs sear, grill, and char inventive regional dishes from land and sea. Indulge in wood-roasted seafood towers, dry-aged meats, and a daily selection of fresh-caught fish. For the ultimate sea-to-table experience, bring your catch and Kindler's Culinary Kings will create a custom dish just for you!

LAZY DAYS

MM 79.9, Oceanside Islamorada, FL 33036 305-664-5256 lazydaysislamorada.com Open Daily 11 am - 10 pm Award-Winning Favorite Here's a place where you can enjoy awardwinning Keys-style dishes in a spectacular oceanfront setting. Boat-to-table seafood, certified Black Angus steaks, innovative pasta and chicken dishes, along with some terrific house specialties headline a large menu that consistently wins rave reviews. Lots of seating options, including an outside waterfront patio, covered seaside porch, cozy indoor dining room or beachside bistro with tables nestled in the sand. FYI: The fish sandwich is an absolute "Must!" Happy Hour from 4 – 6pm. with speciallypriced appetizers at the bar. LITTLE LIMON

Three Waters Resort & Marina 84001 Overseas Hwv Islamorada, Fl 33036 305-433-9943; islamoradaresortcollection.com F – Tu 5 pm – 10 pm Elevated Cocktail & Raw Bar Vibrant Latin flavors, backdropped by sweeping 270-degree ocean vistas, are a big draw at Islamorada's new elevated cocktail and raw bar. Enjoy an array of raw bar favorites including fresh just-shucked oysters,

island ceviche and crudo, or opt for an enticing selection of shareable small plates. High Fives go to the Lobster Tostada, Smoked Fish Dip, Spicy Tuna Tacos, and Shishito Peppers. A great lineup of creative cocktails is the coup d'gras.

LOR-E-LEI RESTAURANT & **CABANA BAR**

96 Madeira Rd (MM 82, Bayside) Islamorada, FL 33036 305-664-2692; loreleicabanabar. com

Daily 7 am – 10 pm; Happy Hour 4 – 6 pm Home of the Islands Best Margarita Menu! What began as a rustic 1940s Fishing Camp with only a dock, two folding chairs, and an "honor system" beer cooler is now one of Islamorada's most notorious waterfront restau-rants and watering holes. Home to the world-famous Lor-e-lei Back Country Fishing Guides, this casual, family-friendly, and petfriendly hang has also been voted "Best Sunset" year after year. It boasts a rockin' nightly sunset celebration that always draws a lively crowd. You can get breakfast, lunch, and dinner here seven days a week with nightly specials, fresh lo-cal seafood, and a variety of other delicious dishes. Live entertainment by local bands often inspires dancing on the beach. Give 'em a call about hosting your special event! Just look for the giant Mermaid!

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Resort & Marina

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Islamorada, Fl 33036

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Lunch: F - Su 11:30 - 5 pm

Dinner: M – Sa 5 – 10 pm

Breakfast: M – Su 7 am – 11 am

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outdoor street market that celebrates Latin

Three Waters Resort & Marina, is this unique

305-433-9949;

flavors from across Central America. The shaded ocean front pavilion is idyllic for strolling the caravan of food trucks serving up all-day eats.

MIA CUCINA

At Cheeca Lodge & Spa 81801 Overseas Hwy (MM82) Islamorada, Fl 33036 305-517-4447: cheeca.com Daily 5 – 10 pm Authentic Neapolitan Pizzeria This authentic Neapolitan Pizzeria creates madeto-order artisanal pizzas, pastas, salads and other Italian specialties like Mama Mia's Segreta Bolognese; Chicken Primavera Fettuccini; and Insalata Di Mare: as well as many other reimagined Italian classics.

MORADA BAY BEACH CAFÉ & BAR

81600 Overseas Hwy Islamorada, Fl 33036 305-664-0604; moradabay.com Daily 11 am – 9 pm Bar 11 am – 11:30 pm (and often later) Innovative, Eclectic American/Caribbean Fare Super fresh, local seafood and produce are the stars of the show at this casually chic beachfront bistro. Enjoy toes-in-the-sand, outdoor dining on the glorious palm studded beach, or inside surrounded by a curated collection of vintage surfboards, longboards, sail and kite boards. For a relaxing, kicked back meal in a picture perfect setting, you found your place in the sun.

NIKAI SUSHI BAR & RESTAURANT

At Cheeca Lodge & Spa 81801 Overseas Hwy (MM 82) Islamorada, Fl 33036 305-517-4447; cheeca.com Open Nightly 5 – 10 pm The Keys Premier Spot for Sushi Using locally and internationally sourced fish, spices and vegetables, Nikai's beautifully crafted Japanese-inspired dishes melds the art of sushi and Japanese cooking with the flavors of the Florida Keys. Must Haves: the Wahoo Tataki, Tuna Poke Bowl, and Scallop Shooters. Signature sushi rolls like the "Big Kahuna," made with tuna, avocado, lobster salad, pineapple ginger glaze and toasted macadamia are also outrageously good. Big selection of hot and cold Sakes, boutique wines and tropical cocktails, too.

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Good Eats

PIERRE'S LOUNGE & RESTAURANT

81600 Overseas Hwy Islamorada, Fl 33036 305-664-3225; moradabay.com/pierres Nightly 6 – 10pm Lounge Nightly 5 – 10pm French-Inspired Island Elegance Nestled on the second floor of a magnificent plantation-style house, this "Islamorada Stunner" is renowned for its regionally influenced French fusion cuisine. Everything on the menu is beautifully prepared and served in a romantic candlelit, nineteenth century "Indian Arcade" which is walled with extraordinary artifacts from Morocco and Africa. You can also enjoy a bite downstairs in the Green Flash Lounge or outside on the beautiful wrap-around veranda overlooking the beach and bay. Really spectacular!

SNOOK'S BAYSIDE RESTAURANT & GRAND TIKI

MM 99.9, Bayside Key Largo, FL 33037 305-453-5004; snooks.com Open for Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner M - Th 8 am -9:30 pm; F -Su 8 am - 10 pm Daily Sunset Celebration/Happy Hour/Live Music

One Of The Keys Top Picks Hidden away at the end of a private lane, just off US 1, this exotic tropical oasis with its flickering torches, beautiful orchids and SOBE-style lounges is oh-so-chic! A stunning bar, gorgeous, open-air dining area and lounging space offer unobstructed views of the Bay, giving you a ringside seat to one of the best sunset celebrations in the Keys. As seen on South Florida's popular TV show, "Check *Please,"* the fresh, island-inspired seafood dishes and Prime steaks won high fives from the show's panel of judges and are all made to order. Truly a great place to kick back with crafted tropical cocktail and grab yourself a piece of paradise. Breakfast, too!

SQUARE GROUPER ISLAMORADA

80460 Overseas Hwy (In the Islamorada Marina, MM 80 Bayside) Islamorada, Fl 33061 786-901-5678; squaregrouper islamorada.com

W – Su 11 am - 2:30 pm; 5 -10 pm; Closed M & Tu Heralded Keys Landmark Eatery Comes to Islamorada Good news for Square Grouper fans at MM 22.5 on Cudjoe Key:

the heralded Lower Keys landmark has opened a new waterfront location within the Islamorada Marina complex. The innovative and eclectic menu mirrors the original site with a comprehensive offering of fresh seafood, prime steaks, craft cocktails, and a fantastic wine list and full bar. Local favorites include the Ahi Tuna Egg Rolls, Flash Fried Conch, homemade Smoked Fish Dip, and lots of signature Land and Sea dishes. If you haven't had an opportunity to make it to the original Lower Keys location, now's your chance to see what everyone's been raving about!

Nikai Sushi Bar & Res

SQUARE GROUPER SUNSET LOUNGE

80460 Overseas Hwy MM 80 Bayside Islamorada, Fl 33061 786-901-5678; sunsetloungeislamorada.com W – Su 4:20 pm – Close My Kind of Joint Renowned Florida Keys Chef, Lynn Bell, has added yet another great hang to Islamorada's stellar restaurant scene. Located above her popular Square Grouper Bar & Grill is her newest incarnation: The Sunset Lounge where "the higher you get, the better the view." But gorgeous sunsets are not the only brag here. Innovative and eclectic dining are still the star of the show. The Sunset Lounae menu is lighter than her downstairs gig and includes lots of great tapas, fresh seafood, and a raw bar as well as craft cocktails and a fantastic wine list

THE ORIGINAL TIKI BAR

Three Waters Resort & Marina 84001 Overseas Hwy Islamorada, Fl 33036 305-433-9949; islamoradaresortcollection.com Daily: 11 am - 11 pm Bar Nightly: 11 am – 1 am Home of the Original Rum Runner Once known as "The Hapi Hula Hut," this iconic beachfront landmark has been a popular stomping ground since 1969. Legend has it that this is where the original Rum Runner cocktail was invented by a local bartender known as "Tiki Jon." The now famous concoction has become a Florida Keys staple and The Original

Tiki Bar still reigns supreme as the place to go for epic sunsets, island vibes and great live music. With lots of lite bites, burgers, sandwiches, tacos and more, the casual Keys inspired menu is better than ever

TIKI BAR

Amara Cay Resort 80001 Overseas Hwy, Islamorada, Fl 33036 305-664-0073; amaracayresort.com Lunch Daily 11:30 am - 5pm Dinner Daily 5 pm - 11 pm Breezy Poolside Eats Enjoy casual eats and tropical cocktails against a breathtaking backdrop of open ocean, blue skies and swaying palms. Fresh tacos, grilled jerk shrimp, burgers, coconut fried shrimp and fried chicken sliders make this tropical oceanside spot a fun place to chill. Live music on the weekends.

ZIGGIE & MAD DOG'S

Dinner Nightly at 5 pm Reservations recommended 8300 Overseas Hwy, Islamorada 305-664-3391 ziggieandmaddogs.com Best Porterhouse Steak Revived in 2005 by former Miami Dolphins' tight end and sports broadcaster, Jim "Mad Dog" Mandich and longtime business partner Randy Kassewitz, the legendary Ziggie's Crab Shack is now a sleek and sophisticated steak, chops, and seafood restaurant that feels more like Tommy Bahama than Ernest Hemingway. The current, and now famous incarnation is better than ever and has become THE place for fine dining in the Keys. Orchid garnished cocktails, international wines, an outstanding a-la-carte menu and nightly specials make it one of the Keys' top dining spots which always draws a colorful celebrity clientele



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Island Chic Dining in Islamorada

The "Pierre's Experience" Is Simply Fabulous



f you've never been to the legendary Pierre's Restaurant, you're missing out on one of the most memorable and fabulous dining experiences in the Florida Keys.

Overlooking Florida Bay in the heart of Islamorada, the "Pierre's Experience" immerses you in inventive, awardwinning fine dining with an exotic vibe. Backdropped by a spectacular tropical setting and reminiscent of the old colonial-style residences found in West Africa; Pierre's sets the stage for a night you will never forget.

Stepping inside this historic two-story plantation house is like stepping through a Star Gate. The imaginative interior design embraces an eclectic mix of Old World cultures that takes you to another place and time.

Anchored by dark planked wood floors, the upstairs dining room boasts an eighteenth-century Indian arcade, natural textured walls, and smooth teak tables on kilim rugs. You'll find Moroccan, Indian, and African artifacts at every turn, and each entryway is outfitted with a richly carved, nineteenthcentury monastery door from India. Carved walls, Moroccan lamps, and banquettes strewn with colorful pillows exude romance, while the expansive waterfront veranda tributes life in paradise.

Pierre's award-winning culinary couture is a French fusion with regional

influences. Indulge in starters like the Chilled Seafood Tower, Seared Hudson Valley Foie Gras, Yellowfin Tuna Tartare, and other luscious beginnings. FYI: It's easy to go overboard with Pierre's epicurean small plates, so pace yourself - the entrees are just as outstanding.

Main Plates may include Snake River Wagyu Beef Strip with fermented black garlic bone marrow butter, Florida Keys Lobster Tail in Thai coconut curry sauce, and Mallard Duck Breast with Italian chestnut puree.

On the main floor, the legendary Green Flash Lounge invites you to linger at the beautiful mahogany bar or cuddle together on leather Chesterfield sofas, cozy banquettes, and comfy rattan chairs. In addition to your favorite libations, the Green Flash Lounge also serves the same award-winning menu as the upstairs dining room. You're also welcome to delve into the "Pierre's experience" on

the downstairs bayfront veranda. It's a perfect respite for cocktailing, dining, and sunsetting. If you're in the mood for inventive fine dining with an exotic vibe and a spectacular setting, the "Pierre's Experience" should be on your Keys' Bucket List. You can find Pierre's Restaurant

at 81600 Overseas Highway in Islamorada. Info and reservations: 305-664-3225; moradabaykeys.com.



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THE BENT PROP BAR & GRILL

457 Drost Dr Cudjoe Key, Fl 33042 305-741-7017 bentpropkeys.com Happy Hour: M, W – Su 3 – 5 pm Dinner: M, W – Su 5 – 9:30 pm Closed Tuesday Dockside Dining – Reimagined This under-the-radar Lower Keys gem is the place to go for elevated world-class dining on the waterfront. The scratch kitchen here raises the bar with a really imaginative take on seafood dishes, prime meats, and pasta (the Seafood Pasta is especially good!). You can also find some unusual appetizers like Buffalo Bleu Cheese Brussels Sprouts and Coconut Crusted Grouper Cheeks. Handhelds run the aamut from Hot Honey Chicken and the local Fish sandwich with House remoulade sauce to the over-thetop "Beast Burger." Just about everything on this intriguing, ever-evolving menu has an inventive "Bent" twist. Even the escargot appetizer comes with a "Bent" version, replacing classic snails with lobster medallions baked in garlic herb butter. Yeah, baby!

BOONDOCKS GRILLE & DRAFT HOUSE & MINIATURE GOLF

27205 Overseas Hwy Ramrod Key, Fl 33042 Daily 11 am - 10 pm 305-872-4094; boondocksfloridakeys.com The Keys' Premiere Miniature Golf Course! Whether you're a Shot-Guy, a Martini-Girl, or a Beer-Man, this monster Tiki Hut is

always a fun place to hook up with other party lovers. Consistently good food is also a draw. The restaurant has a vast selection of sandwiches and dinner entrées, including fresh-catch baskets, artisan-crafted pizzas, crisp salads, two-fisted burgers, and more. Live music on the open-air patio seven days a week, lots of special events, and the Keys' tropical minigolf course guarantee you'll never have a dull

BROIL **Small Island Steak House**

21611 Old State Rd Cudjoe Key, Fl 33042 305-741-7879 broilsteakhouse.com Tu – Su 5 – 9 pm Famous Wood-Fired Fare You know this small family-owned restaurant must be doing something pretty darn special if they can fire up over 300 steaks a week - and even more during high season! Especially considering their low

you would expect: Filet Mignon, Sirloin, Ribeye, Porterhouse and T-Bone. For a real treat, order the "Steak Sinatra" with Filet Mignonettes over lobster mashed potatoes; or "The Bentley" - an 8 oz Filet Mignon paired with a 10 oz South African Rock Lobster Tail. Set your GPS for this one!

HAVANA JACK'S OCEANSIDE

401 E Ocean Dr (MM 53.5) Key Colony Beach, FL 33051 305-743-4849; HavanaJacksOceanside.com Daily Happy Hour; 4 pm – 6 pm Mon & Wed; 4 pm -11 pm Thurs - Sun; 11am - 11 pm (Last seating for the kitchen 9:30pm) Spectacular Oceanfront Restaurant & Bar With the relaxed mood of the Caribbean, this dramatic oceanside tiki restaurant and bar serves up tasty American/Caribbean fare and tropical libations against the panoramic backdrop of the Atlantic. You'll find a friendly crowd, high-energy entertainment, indoor and outdoor dining, and an elegant outdoor patio great for kickin' back. Call for free pick-up and dropoff anywhere on Key Colony Beach!



profile location on tiny Cudjoe Key. Just 22 miles from Key West, and far from the maddening crowds, this under-the-radar jewel serves up incredibly wonderful food. Show-stopping, wood-fired steaks rule the day here, but there's also a good selection of pork, chicken, and seafood options. You'll find appetizers like prosciutto-wrapped Diver Scallops with mango chutney; baked Escargot in a cloud of puff pastry with wine and garlic butter; and fried Swordfish Bites with remoulade sauce. Broil's lineup of high end steaks, which are hand-cut on premises, come from Nebraska and Kansas. The menu includes all of the prime cuts

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12648 Overseas Hwy Marathon, Fl 33050 305-743-4191; islandfishco.com Daily 8 am – 10 pm Waterfront Cheeky Tiki Kick back with a frozen cocktail at the Keys' longest tiki bar where an intoxicating view of the Gulf transports you to Margaritaville. Open-air dining and a "Keysy" menu including items like Crabmeat Stuffed Shrimp, Crab Cakes, Conch Fritters, Burgers, and locally caught seafood. FYI: On Sunday, there's a special Mexican lunch menu. continued on page 78

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The Art Of Wood-Fired Cooking

Kindler Restaurant Is Hot, Hot, Hot!



lavor and fire is the mantra at Islamorada's newest upscale eatery. As the signature restaurant at the lush Three Waters Resort, *Kindler Wood-Fired Fare* is turning up the heat in the heart of the Upper Keys.

Serving wood-fired regional specialties, it's all about the "WOW" moments here. A massive open-hearth kitchen takes center stage where master chefs sear, grill, and char inventive regional dishes from land and sea.

The seasonal menu showcases Coastal New American dishes crafted with locally sourced ingredients. You'll find an extensive menu of small plates that can easily make for an entire meal and an imaginative line-up of large plates.

Kicking things off is an eye-popping

Wood-Grilled Seafood Tower for Two, fully stacked with coal-roasted oysters, charred octopus, wood-roasted prawns, and grilled spiny lobster with Meyer lemon butter for dipping.

Other blue ribbon standouts include the raw Tuna Crudo with charred chili dashi, Steak Tartare with caper berries and cornichons and the Corn & Lump Crab Fritters with horseradish chive aioli. And that's just the

aioli. And that's just the beginning. Large Plates showcase Creekstone Farm's free-range and grass-fed beef, including a 24 oz dry-aged Cowboy Ribeye with a choice of sauces (marrow bordelaise, chimichurri verde, or peppered béarnaise) and sides.

Kindler's seafood preparations are incredibly enticing. You'll find freshcaught items like Banana Leaf-Wrapped Mahi-Mahi with three onion butter and butternut citrus slaw; Flame-Roasted Snapper in chili-lemongrass broth with baby bok choy, wild mushroom, and tempura enoki; and Grouper A La Plancha with crispy potatoes, grilled pineapple, roasted sweet peppers, and chimichurri sauce. You can also bring your own catch and let the culinary geniuses here create something just for you.

There's also an excellent vegetarian Ricotta Gnocchi with asparagus, wild mushrooms, red peppers, and basil butter, as well as Piri Piri Chicken sided with coal-roasted potatoes, charred knob onions, and pan jus.

If it's at all possible, do try to save room for the Key Lime Pie. Kindler serves a fresh take on this famous dessert. offering a "Key Lime Bar" with a graham cracker crust and Amarena cherry compote. Oh, and by the way: If you're a Local, you can get 15% off your check by showing your Monroe County ID. Kindler is open W - Su from 5 -10 pm at Three Waters Resort, 84001 Overseas Hwy, Islamorada. Info: 305-664-2321: kindlerislamorada.com. islamoradaresortcollection.com/three-

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here is always upbeat. The people are super friendly, and the live music sets the stage for Kokomo good times. An all-new menu features fresh seafood, great casual fare, and daily specials. Lots of lite bites, too, like their famous Ahi Tuna Nachos, Coconut Shrimp, Smoked Fish Dip, Conch Fritters, and other goodies. There's also a great selection of burgers & sandwiches, salads, tropical tacos, and fried baskets. A great place to kick back and enjoy a little piece of paradise in the Lower Keys. Live music daily and a pet-friendly doggie beach (leashes

required).

MY NEW JOINT 420 LOUNGE

(Located above the Square Grouper Bar and Grill) 22658 Overseas Hwy MM 22.5 Oceanside Cudjoe Key, FL 33042 305-745-8880; mynewjoint420lounge.com Tu – Sa 4:20 pm – 11 pm

Happy Hour 4:20 pm - 6:30 pm Because Two Joints are Better Than One! Located above the Square Grouper, this swanky bar and lounge is a hip spot to kick back with your favorite libation. You can also indulge in an innovative tapas bar menu, Raw Bar with Fresh Shucked and Grilled Oysters, and some insanely

delicious desserts! You'll also find one of the BEST specialty cocktail menus in The Keys and a unique tap system with 15 rotating draft beers and a whopping 170 canned and bottled beers. Fantastic wine list sure to please everybody. A great place to bring your buds!

PORKY'S BAYSIDE

1410 Overseas Hwy Marathon, FL 33050 305-289-2065; porkysbaysidebbg.com Daily M - Su 8 am - 10 pm Happy Hour 3 – 6 pm Real Deal Southern BBQ, Boat Rentals & Miniature Golf An old Keys island vibe, "real deal" housecooked BBQ, fresh oysters & sushi, and local seafood are the hallmark of this funky open-air waterfront hangout that always draws a big local crowd. There are terrific nightly specials and homemade desserts, a areat daily Happy Hour with the best mojitos in town, live entertainment, and the most challenging 18-hole miniature golf course in

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Havana Jack's Sweeps You Away



h, how we love our Keys' Chiki Tiki Bars. And lord knows we have a lot of them down here. But occasionally, it's fun to put a different spin on "getting your Tiki on." and That's when we head over to Havana Jack's.

Tucked away on a secluded oceanfront beach on Key Colony, Havana Jack's breaks the mold by combining Tiki good times with inspired American/ Caribbean food, spectacular ocean views, and a lively

island vibe that's a tad more upscale than the usual Tiki Bar experience.

Whether you pull up a stool at the "always happening" thatched roofed bar, park yourself on one of the plush patio couches, or slip inside the cozy



American Caribbean Cuisine Spectacular Ocean Views

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An ever-evolving menu, lively Tiki Bar and outdoor patio backdropped by stunning views of the Atlantic capture the cool mood of the Caribbean, and transport you to another place and time. Indoor & Outdoor Seating.

Fresh Local Seafood & Great Casual Fare

401 E Ocean Dr on Key Colony Beach 305-281-0071 | havanajacksoceanside.com indoor lounge, you'll be treated to the relaxed mood of the Caribbean.

In addition to the romantic oceanfront dining, Havana Jack's offers an inventive menu of craft cocktails, top-shelf spirits, fine table-side cut cigars, and live entertainment by some of the best local musicians and deejays.

You might say it's for fun-loving people who like their Tiki shaken, not stirred.

Havana Jack's is open Wednesday through Sunday from 11 am - 11 pm, with an exceptional Happy Hour from 4 - 6 pm. It is at 401 East Ocean Drive, Key Colony Beach, just off Marathon's Overseas Highway. Info: 305-281-0071; havanajacksoceanside.com

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Hotel Housekeeper	\$2 - \$5 per night
Manicurist/ Spa	1 <i>5</i> % Service
Room Service	1 <i>5</i> % - 20%
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Valet	\$3 - \$5
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A Tiki Bar Born from Ice Cream –

Boondocks Grille & Draft House & Miniature Golf



wenty-five years ago, it was just a small Mom & Pop ice cream shop scooping creamy cones on quiet Ramrod Key. But as tourism increased, so did the owners' vision. Quickly realizing that the Lower Keys needed more than just ice cream, they expanded the menu to include sandwiches and later added beer and wine to the mix.

But it wasn't until 2001 that the real transformation began.

That's when a fellow named Lanny Gardner arrived on the scene. Despite the overgrown trees and broken tables covering the property, Lanny knew a diamond in the rough when he saw one. He recruited his dad, Larry, and colleague John to hop on the bandwagon. With Lanny's vision, Larry's back-breaking work ethic, and John's restaurant expertise, the three amigos turned the former ice cream shop into one of the most popular stops on the Overseas Highway.

Today, Boondocks Grille & Draft House & Miniature Golf boasts having the largest Tiki Bar in the Keys. It has morphed into a landmark restaurant and entertainment

destination.

Local restauranteurs Randy Kassewitz and Mark Vaster are now at the helm of the Ramrod juggernaut as the Boondocks' legacy continues to grow, Boondocks' renowned "Southern Cooking Keys-Style," is just one reason why some locals spend five days a week dining in the expansive

open-air restaurant. But another reason, and just as important, is the "friend factor." Whenever a "Regular" is spotted pulling into the parking lot, the bartenders make sure to have their favorite libation waiting for them at their favorite barstool.

And let me tell you, these bartenders are damn good. If you're looking for a pineapple upside-down shot, any foreign or domestic beer (including Boondocks' own Amber bock house brew) or their patented Rum Runner (yes, it's actually patented), you can be sure that it

will always be consistently perfecto. Best of all, you don't have to be a Local to get the VIP treatment. The crew here is always friendly to everyone and more than accommodating to large parties.

And while you might not expect a Tiki Bar to have state-of-the-art sound and lighting fronted by live music by both local musicians and national acts, here you have it seven days a week. There are also over1,000 inches of 4K TV screens for catching sporting events from around the world.

And get this: Boondocks is home to the Keys' first Miniature Golf Course. This fun "cave-man" themed course boasts 18 holes of challenging greens with lush, tropical foliage, two giant waterfalls, four fountains, and lots of twists and turns. It's even outfitted with a 19th "Waterina" Hole where you can get frozen tropical cocktails, cold brews, and soft drinks. BTW: If you're around on Saturday, check out the weekly Open Air Market, which takes place

> from 9 am - 2 pm in the Boondocks Plaza parking lot. It's a great place to shop for local art, handmade jewelry, one-ofa-kind creations, local produce, and fresh-cut flowers. You can find all this

and more at Boondocks Grille & Draft House, 27205 Overseas Highway on Ramrod Key. The restaurant and bar are open daily from 11am - 10 pm; Mini Golf is also open daily from 10 am - 10 pm. More info: 305-872-4094; boondocksfloridakeys.com.

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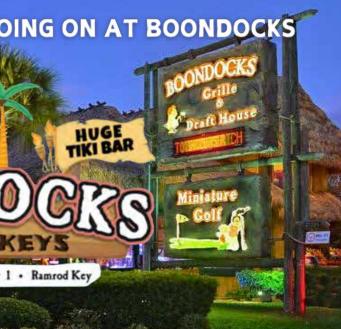
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SQUARE GROUPER BAR & GRILL 22658 Overseas Hwy MM 22.5 Oceanside Cudjoe Key, FL 33042 305-745-8880: squaregrouperbarandgrill.com W – Su for Lunch 11 am – 2:30 pm; Dinner 5 – 10 pm, Cocktail Lounge 4:20 – 11 pm A Kevs Top Pick A well-executed, innovative menu makes this

unassuming roadside spot one of the Keys' Top Picks. Three cozy dining rooms and a massive fish tank set the stage for beautiful dishes like the Ahi Tuna and Avocado Egg rolls, Flash-Fried Cracked Conch, Seafood Pasta with Key Lime Butter Sauce, and other heavenly delights. Don't miss their desserts and awardwinning Key Lime Martini! Raw Bar, Tapas Bar Menu & Cocktail Lounge with live music is located upstairs and is open until 11pm.

KEY WEST

BIG CHEEZEES PUB AND GRUB

404 Southard St Key West, FL 33040 305-741-7113: bigcheezeespubandgrubkw.com M – Th 11 am – 10 pm; F 11 am – 11 pm; Su 9 am - 10 pm Brunch: Sa & Su 9 am – 1 pm Happy Hour: M – F 3 – 6 pm

Key West's Favorite Sports Bar & Pub Delivers With over thirty TVs, 24 Taps, fresh handtossed pizzas and award-winning wings, there's no better place to kick back and watch your favorite team battle it out. Located next to the famous Green Parrot Bar. this popular downtown sports pub is also where you can satisfy your comfort food hankerings. Genuine Coney Dogs, Smash Burgers, and House BBQ, headline a big menu that checks off all the boxes. You can also feast on almost a dozen different hand-tossed signature pizzas. They even deliver!

CAFE SOLE

1029 Southard St., Key West, FL 33040 305-294-0230; cafesole.com

Open Nightly 5 – 10 pm Award-Winning French Caribbean Cuisine You'll think you've stumbled off the sidewalk and into Provence when you step inside Cafe Sole and catch the scents of fresh herbs and sauteing garlic. Chef/Owner, John Correa is a master of seafood & French sauces and his food is a whoop of earthy, sun-drenched flavor. Must-Tries: the Conch Carpaccio and Hog Fish Snapper. continued on page 86

Set Your GPS for This One! Broil Small Island Steak House

his small family-owned restaurant must be doing something pretty darn special if they can fire up over 300 steaks a week - and even more during high season. Especially considering their low-profile location on Cudjoe Key.

Renowned for its superb wood-fired fare. Broil is just a stone's throw from the maddening crowds of Key West, but island foodies know just where to find it.

Show-stopping, wood-fired steaks rule the day here, but there's also a good selection of pork, chicken, and seafood options.

But let's start with the fabulous hand-cut steaks, which all come from Nebraska and Kansas. Broil fires up only the best:

Porterhouse, Filet Mignon, Sirloin, Ribeye, and T-Bone. Cooked over an open flame, these prime cuts come out perfectly charred with an added laver of savor that is the coup de gras.

Now, if you really want to kick things up, spring for the "Steak Sinatra" with **Filet Mignonettes** over lobster

mashed potatoes or "The Bentley" — an 8 oz Filet Mignon paired with a 10 oz

South African Rock Lobster Tail. Award-winning Chef/Owner Brad



ISLAMORADA MM 80: Square Grouper Islamorada W - Su Lunch 11 am - 2:30 pm | Dinner 5 - 10 pm squaregrouperislamorada.com; upstairs Sunset Lounge W – Su 4:20 pm – Close; sunsetloungeislamorada.com CUDJOE MM 22.5: Square Grouper Bar & Grill Tu – Sa Lunch 11 am – 2:30 pm | Dinner 5 pm – 10 pm squaregrouperbarandgrill.com; My New Joint 420 Lounge (upstairs) mynewjoint420lounge.com CUDJOE MM 22.8: Morning Joint Daily 7 am – 4:20 pm morningjoint.com; Mary Jane's Closet Daily 7 am – 4:20 pm maryjanesclosetfloridakeys.com







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Weiss and his team are just as adept at whipping up inventive seafood dishes. Incredibly wonderful are the grilled prosciutto-wrapped Diver Scallops with house-made mango

> chutney and the grilled parmesanencrusted Yellowtail with lump crab meat and white wine beurre blanc. Over-the-moon!

Broil Small Island Steak House is open Tu - Su from 5 -9 pm. Set your GPS for 21611 Old State Rd, Cudjoe Key. Info: 305-741-7879; broilsteakhouse.com.

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Good Eats

LATITUDES AT SUNSET KEY

245 Front St., Key West, FL 33040 305-292-5394; sunsetkeycottages.com Open Daily for Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner *Stunning Beachfront Restaurant* Within minutes, the free boat launch at The Opal Resort & Marina transports you to this spectacular restaurant on the island of Sunset Key. Enjoy outstanding island cuisine in the ultra luxe indoor dining room overlooking the Gulf of Mexico or outside in the sand surrounded by flickering tiki torches. Reservations required. Major credit cards. Present ticket while dining for free parking.

MANGIA MANGIA PASTA CAFE

900 Southard St., Key West, FL 33040 305-294-2469; mangia-mangia.com Open Daily 5:30 - 10 pm Good Friends. Good Food. Good Wine. Renowned for impeccable, fresh homemade pasta & made-from-scratch, herb-spiked sauces, this cozy trattoria is one of the Keys' best values and serves up simple, full flavors that are intoxicatingly good. Lots of grilled specialties, too, along with beef, seafood, chicken and vegetarian dishes. Excellent gluten/egg-free pasta options including "Zucchini Zoodle Noodles." Seductive wine list features vintages dating back to the 1950's.

RED SHOE ISLAND BISTRO

411 Petronia Street Kev West Fl 33040 305-509-7271 redshoeislandbistro.com M – Sa 6 – 9pm A Delectable Find in Old Town This small unpretentious restaurant in the heart of Old Town Key West is a favorite destination for locals. Renowned for its fresh local seafood, unique salads, beef stroganoff, and award-winning key lime pie, it's just steps off the beaten path but far from the maddening crowds. The compact menu includes stellar items like Shrimp Mango Toast, Lobster Roll Profiteroles, and the signature Yellowtail Snapper with lemon and parsley sauce, risotto topped with parmesan, and sautéed asparagus. Absolutely scrumptious!



biteFabulous Blackened Sea Scallop Recipe From Cudjoe Key's Bent Prop Bar & Grill

masterpiece in flavor and technique, this elegant dish is perfect for a special occasion or for an elegant dinner party. The balance between the rich seafood, tangy sauce, and crisp textures will "Wow," your guests!

Ingredients for Mustard Sauce

- (Yield: Two Servings) 1/4 Cup Clarified Butter or Store-bought Ghee.
- 2 Tbs Freshly Squeezed Lemon Juice.
- 1 Tbs Dry Mustard
- 1 Tbs. Grain Mustard
- 2 Tbs Sugar

Mustard Sauce Preparation: Gently mix all ingredients together and refrigerate until you are ready to plate. The sauce will thicken as it cools in the refrigerator. Remove and keep warm for dinner service as needed.

Ingredients for Spinach

- (Yield: Two Servings)
- 2 Cups Fresh Organic Baby Spinach 1 Oz. Blended Olive Oil
- 2 Oz White Wine
- 1 Tbs Freshly Grated Garlic
- 2 Oz Freshly Grated Parmesan Cheese Salt & Pepper to Taste

Spinach Preparation: Heat up a pan and add the extra virgin olive oil and spinach. Sauté for 1 – 2 minutes. Add the white wine and garlic, season with salt and pepper to taste. Allow the spinach to wilt for about two minutes. Sprinkle with parmesan cheese.

You can enjoy more incredible dishes like this at the highly acclaimed Bent Prop Bar & Grill, 457 Drost Dr, Cudjoe Key, in the Florida Keys. Info and reservations: 305-741-7017; bentpropkeys.com.

2 Tbs Blackening Seasoning

(Yield: Two Servings)

Ingredients for Scallops

(Yield: Two Servings)

2 Tbs Blended Oil

aside.

1 Fresh Whole Sweet Potato



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Ingredients for Sweet Potato Chips

2 Cups Extra Virgin Olive Oil Sweet Potato Chips Preparation: Julienne the sweet potatoes using a stainless steel mandolin. Blanch the strips in cold water for about five minutes; remove and dry flat. Deep fry until crispy, drain, and set

8 Pieces of Large U10 Diver Scallops

Scallop Preparation: Preheat oven to 400°F. Evenly coat scallops in seasoning. Heat sauté pan until it's smoking hot. Reduce heat to medium; add the oil and scallops. Sear scallops for one minute on the first side. Turn and sear on the other side. Remove from stove. Place scallops in a preheated oven for two minutes to finish cooking. Remove from oven and set aside. Plating: Artfully spread the mustard sauce in a circular pattern on each plate. Arrange scallops on top of sauce. Gently place the spinach in the center of each dish. Crown with the crispy, sweet potato chips. Bon Appétit!

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Good Eats

SCHOONER WHARF BAR

200R Williams St., Key West, FL 33040 305-292-9520 schoonerwharf.com M - Th 8 - 2 am: F - Su 7:30 - 2 am A Last Little Piece Of Old Key West This funky, open-air waterfront bar sits on the docks overlooking the marina. The food and mood are Key West casual, and the menu has all your island favorites, including wings, nachos, burgers, fish tacos, seafood platters, conch fritters, pink shrimp, and more. Great live music and two daily Happy Hours from opening until Noon and then again from 5 – 7 pm.

SQUARE GROUPER BAR & GRILL

920 Caroline St Key West, FL 33040 305-292-1975 squaregrouperkeywest.com Lunch: Th – M 11 am – 2:30 pm; Dinner & Raw Bar: Th – M 5 – 10 pm (Expanded Hours Happening Soon!) A Keys' Favorite Comes to Key West Renowned Chef/Restaurateur Lynn Bell has expanded her heralded Sauare Grouper restaurant concept to the Southernmost City. Eagerly awaited by her legions of fans, her newest digs are garnering rave reviews. In addition to the stunning raw bar, you can expect to find signature dishes like Ahi Tuna & Avocado Egg rolls, Coconut Shrimp, Almond-Crusted Grouper, Seafood Platters, Grilled Steaks, Jasmine Rice Bowls, and a host of handhelds and vegetarian options. Ring the bell for this new Key West favorite!

TAVERN N' TOWN

Beachside Resort & Residences 3811 N. Roosevelt Ave, Key West, FL 33041 305-296-8100 tavernntown.com Open M – Su 5 – 10 pm World-Class Dining & Entertainment Key West notables dine on a fusion of globally-inspired tapas (small plates), designer pizzas, grilled meats, plancha seared fish and nightly specials. Two Daily 2-4-1 Happy Hours from 5-7 pm and again from 9 – 11 pm along with special Tapas Nights every Tues & Thurs from 5 – 7 pm. Nightly entertainment.

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CHEFS ON THE RUN GASTRO PUB

10 E Mowery Dr Homestead, FL 33030 305-245-0085 chefsontheruninhomestead.com Open Tu – Th 11 am – 8 pm F, Sa 11 am – 9 pm Innovative Caribbean-American Gastro Pub Located in the heart of "Old Homestead," this small, no-frills, family-owned restaurant is big on bold flavors, prepared in unexpected ways. Chef/ Owner Jodrick Ujaque likes to think out of the box, and his creativity knows no bounds. His Puerto Rican roots shine through his unusual Caribbean creations. Some may sound a bit off-beat, but somehow the flavors magically work in perfect harmony. There are also terrific Asian-inspired plates on the menu, as well as an amazing Burger Collection.

TAQUERIA MORELIA

961 W Palm Dr Florida City, FL 3304 305-247-7552 taqueriasmorelia-flc.com Open Daily, 9 am – 10 pm Real Deal Mexican

> Yes, it may be tucked away next to a gas station, but don't let that stop you. Fresh, fresh ingredients and authentic recipes are the trademarks of this popular Mexican eatery. Tacos are the main attraction here, and the Salsa Station is a fun way

to turn up the heat. The Tostadas, Enchiladas, and really humongous Burritos are all over the top. Also located at 1871 NE 8th St in Homestead.

WHITE LION CAFE

146 NW 7th St Homestead, FL 33030 305-248-1076 whitelioncafe.com Lunch: Tu – Sa 11 am – 3 pm Dinner: F 5 pm – 'Till The Fat Lady Sings For the Love Of Cooking What started out as a family-owned antique shop is now one of the most unique and charming neighborhood cafes in South Florida. Hearty lunch offerings (or Friday night-only dinners) look and taste like they came straight out of Aunt B's kitchen. The menu showcases throwbacks like down home Fried Chicken, Old Fashioned Meat Loaf, and Romanian Tenderloin topped with mushrooms. Other than the massive burgers, the only sandwich you'll find here is the "PJ & Don." Cited as the world's largest peanut butter and jelly sandwich (for two), it comes with a complimentary bottle of Dom Perignon! continued on page 90



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Groovin' the Grove

"A Little Bahamian, A Little Bohemian"



little Bahamian and a little Bohemian," Coconut Grove is one of South Miami's oldest and coolest neighborhoods. Since its inception in the late 1800s, the Village has always been a magnet for adventurers. artists, moguls, and movie stars, along with a healthy mix of eccentrics, free spirits and visionaries, for good measure.

Today, the Grove still draws a lively crowd of A-Listers and is a top dining destination for award-winning chefdriven restaurants, charming sidewalk cafes, iconic waterfront restaurants and vibrant bars.

At the heart of it all is the Village Center. Located at the intersection of Main Highway, McFarland Road, and Grand Avenue, the Village is spread over three blocks. It is a hotbed of some of the world's most cutting-edge eateries.

This is where you'll find celebrity

Chef Giorgio Rapicavoli's acclaimed Glass and Vine (2820 McFarlane Rd), an intimate secret garden "bistro by the sea" that's heralded for its delectable

menu and sensational brunch, as well as the Michelinstar rated Ariete, (3540 Main Hwy) a "neighborhood

mainstay" for innovative New American cuisine from top chef



ristorante at the chic Mr C Hotel (2988 McFarlane Rd).

Anchoring it all is CocoWalk (3015 Grand Ave), the Grove's bustling openair dining and shopping emporium. Inspired by tropical gardens and lush surroundings, the main level is home to several other popular restaurants, including Botánico Gin & Cookhouse, Eva & The Oyster Bar, Narbona, Sushi Garage, and some other excellent choices.

Of course, these mentions are just the tip of the iceberg. You can read about more great picks on the following page.

Oh, and get this: From August 1 -September 30, Coconut Grove plays host to the wildly popular "Miami Spice Restaurant Months." This annual foodie fest is the perfect opportunity for you to sample the latest culinary offerings in South Miami's most historic neighborhood. The special promotion offers discounted, three-course menus at select restaurants throughout the Village, including lots of lunch, brunch, and dinner options. For a list of participating restaurants and more info, hit up miamibeaches.com.





Good Eats COCONUT GROVE

ATCHANA'S HOMEGROWN THAI

3194 Commodore Plaza Miami, FL 33133 305-774-0404 atchanas.com Su – Th Noon – 10 pm; F & Sa Noon – 11 pm Authentic Down Home Thai Food Chef/Owner Atchana Capellini grew up in northern Thailand, where the food is spicier than in other parts of the country. Atchana likes to refer to it as "country-bumpkin" Thai. Call it what you will, but just know that everything on Atchana's authentic menu is absolutely fantastic. Get the party started with the zesty Asian Dumplings – steamed or fried with chicken or veggies; the intriguing "Son-Law-Eggs" — crispy hard-boiled eggs with house-made sweet and savory sauce; or the Seared Ahi Tuna with sesame noodles, peppers, ginger and garlic. Large dish standouts include the Crispy Duck with a traditional 5-spice sauce, Basil Ribs with fresh herbs, coated with flavorful spices, and the Curried Shrimp Pineapple Fried Rice. Atchana's Pad Thai is incredibly wonderful

- not because it's a signature Thai dish, but because her singular preparation is absolutely over the moon!

BELLINI ITALIAN BISTRO

Mr C Hotel 2988 McFarlane Rd Miami, FL 33133 305-800-7672 bellinirestaurant.com **Breakfast Daily** 7 am - 11 am: Lunch Daily Noon – 4 pm; Dinner Nightly 5 pm – 11 pm Rustic Italian Fare With a Contemporary Edge Located on the top floor of the iconic Mr C's Hotel, this chic ristorante is renowned for its



fine Italian cuisine and spectacular views of Biscayne Bay. Dinner here is truly a "cause celebre" and includes an expansive menu of classic favorites. Headlining the list of Antipasti is the Free Range Grass-Fed Beef Carpaccio with crispy artichokes, Bigeye Tuna Tartare with avocado mousse, and

& Risotto options are lengthy and include Traditional Lasagna alla Bolognese, Rigatoni Alla Genovese, and Tagliolini with Shrimp & Zucchini. Land & Sea entrees feature Veal Scaloppine al Limone, Grilled Domestic Lamb Chops, Chilean Sea Bass, and Grilled Langoustine with grilled fennel.



WEATHER **IN PARADISE**

MAY

Average Air Temp: 80° Average Water Temp: 83° Sunset: 7:58 p.m. Average Rainfall: 3.5"

JUNE

Average Air Temp: 88° Average Water Temp: 86° Sunset: 8:15 p.m. Average Rainfall: 5.1"

JULY

Average Air Temp: 89° Average Water Temp: 87° Sunset: 8:22 p.m. Average Rainfall: 3.6"

ISABELLE'S GRILL ROOM & GARDEN

Ritz Carlton Hotel 3330 SW 27th Ave Miami, FL 33133 305-400-0562 isabellescoconutarove.com Daily 7 am - 11 pm; Weekend Brunch 11 am – 3 pm Swanky Classic American Fare The Ritz Carlton's swanky signature restaurant tributes Isabella Peacock, the woman behind Coconut Grove's first hotel And if Isabella were still here today, she would be proud as a peacock. The luxe dining room here oozes ritziness, but the lush green outdoor garden, with its beautiful pergola, begs you to step outside and dine al fresco. The classic American menu includes sterling preparations of Seasonal Oysters, Beef or Salmon Tartare, Fried Mozzarella, several elevated salads, and several other starters. House Specialties include items like Heritage Roasted Joyce Farms Chicken, Pasta Pomodoro with house-made meatballs, and Seared Mutton Snapper. Grill options feature a variety of prime-aged Black Angus Beef cuts with peppercorn brandy sauce, house steak sauce, wine merchant sauce, or lemon beurre blanc. But on weekends, it's the Prime Rib Roast that reigns supreme!

MAYFAIR GRILL

Mavfair House & Garden 300 Florida Ave Coconut Grove, FL 33133 305-441-0000 mayfair-grill.com Su - Th 5 pm - 10 pm; F & Sa 5 pm - 11 pm; Brunch: Sa & Su 11 am - 3 pm Fire It Up

Award-winning Chef Giorgio Rapicavoli is at it again. After creating back-to-back smash hits with the Eating House and Luca Osteria in Coral Gables, Rapicavoli now brings his magic to the Mayfair Grill. Rapicavoli is the first Miami contestant to win the Food Network's "Chopped" cooking competition. Rapicavoli is a local legend whose star just keeps rising. Rapicavoli steps out of the box at the Mayfair Grill with a wood-fired grilled menu that celebrates the bounty of local and seasonal ingredients. Transformed by the "primal power" of an open-flame grill are interesting items like Wood Grilled Flatbread with slow-cooked garlic butter, Grilled Olives with ancho pepper za'atar, and Wood-Grilled Dates with whipped sheep's milk cheese, hazelnut, and grape saba. Main plates include Wood-Grilled Shrimp with preserved lemon and Calabrian chili,

Florida Snapper with key lime garlic butter, and Angus Skirt Steak with chimichurri rojo.

TABLE 14 BAR & RESTAURANT

The Mutiny Hotel 2951 S Bayshore Dr Coconut Grove, FL 33133 305-777-9214 tbl14.com Breakfast: Daily 8 am - 11 am; Lunch: F - Su 11 am - 4 pm; Dinner: Su - Th 4 pm - 9 pm; F & Sa 5 pm - 11 pm Contemporary International Cuisine The Mutiny Hotel's signature restaurant infuses flavors of Latin America with American Western cuisine. The menu may look unpretentious, but the team of top chefs here deliver impressive dishes that are a testament to their culinary creativity. Starters may include Ahi Tuna Tartare with avocado and zesty soy-lime dressing, Crispy Calamari with spicy aioli, and Conch Fritters with guava sauce. Main Plates range from Grilled Dry Rub Shrimp.

a Guava Salmon Bowl, and Orecchiette Pasta to Spicy Mojo Chicken, a Mutiny Burger, and Churrasco Steak. Not to be missed: the restaurant's signature dishes may include things like Lobster Ravioli and Rack of Lamb. FYI: If you enjoy curated dining, check out the Chef's Tasting Menu – a multi-course, wine-paired meal showcasing the House's best.



CORAL GABLES AREA

AMERICANA KITCHEN

Loews Hotel 2950 Coconut Grove Dr Coral Gables, FL 33134 786-772-7600 americanakitchen.com Breakfast: 7 – 10:30 am: Lunch: 11 am - 4 pm; Dinner: M and Th & Su 5 pm – 10 pm; F& Sa 5 pm - 11 pm; Sunday Brunch: 11 am – 4 pm Trendy American Cuisine Tucked within Coral Gables' plush Loews Hotel, this sleek, modern respite is anchored by an open "Theater Kitchen," lively Circle Bar, and a cozy lounge. Executive Chef Ricardo Jarquin's inviting American-

forward dinner menu is compact but packs a punch. Raw Bar offerinas range from an impressive Seafood Tower. fresh Florida Oysters, Tuna Taquitos, a Citrus Crab Roll, a Spicy Tuna Roll, and a Salmon Cucumber Roll. Other interesting starters include Crispy Thai Wings, Charred Spare Ribs, and Picadillo Empanadas. Topping the list of Entrees: the Truffled Ribeye Steak, Grilled Niman Ranch Pork Chop, and Seared Bronzino. There's also a handful of wood-fired pizzas and a Chef's Blend Burger.

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THE COLLAB

THesis Hotel 1350 S Dixie Hwy Coral Gables, FL 33146 305-667-6766 thecollabmiami.com T – Th 5:30 – 10 pm; F & Sa 5:30 - 11 pm Cutting Edge Global Cuisine Often referred to as a "Culinary Maestro," Chef Nicolas "Nico" Mazier is heralded for his innovative gastronomy approach and cutting-edge Mediterranean and Asian creations. With an eclectic mix of light fare and shareable plates, all created with seasonal ingredients, his menu is both traditional and contemporary. You'll find a diverse selection of delectables, including dishes like the Faroe Islands Salmon Tartare, Australian Lamb Chops, Airline Chicken, Soppressata Pizza, and Crispy Duck Potatoes. BTW: Save room for the Sticky Toffee Pudding.



FONTANA

Miami Biltmore Hotel 1200 Anastasia Ave Coral Gables, Fl 33134 305-913-3189 Ext 2407 biltmorehotel.com/coral-gables-dining/ fontana/ Breakfast: M – Sa 7 am – 11 am; Brunch: Su 10 am - 2 pm; Lunch: M - Sa 11:30 am - 3 pm; Dinner Nightly 6 pm – 10 pm Elegant Italian-Inspired Cuisine A stunning rustic stone and tile interior, anchored by a dramatic "theater kitchen" and wood-burning oven, sets the stage for memorable meals at one of Miami's most famous hotels. The dining fountainside in the beautiful outdoor courtyard is incredibly romantic and a great spot for an intimate rendezvous. The Italian-centric menu shines with traditional favorites like Chicken Parmigiana, Shrimp Scampi, Classic Beef Milanese, and Lobster Ravioli. FYI: Fontana's Sunday Champagne Brunch Buffet is over-the-top and includes an extensive selection of Omelets, Sushi, Carved meats. Pasta and Tapas Stations, and some very

MAMEY MIAMI

decadent desserts.

THesis Hotel 1350 S Dixie Hwy Coral Gables, FL 33146 305-266-2639 mameymiami.com Breakfast: Daily 7am -10:30 am: Brunch: Su 11 am - 3 pm; Lunch: Daily 11:30 am - 3 pm; Dinner: Su – Th 5:30 – 10 pm: F & Sa 5:30 - 11 pm A Fusion of World Cuisines Celebrity Chef Nicolas Mazier makes a splash wherever he goes, and at Mamey Miami he goes full fusion. Mazier's impressive lineup of vibrant global cuisines from Latin America, Asia, and beyond are a tsunami of flavors. You'll find shareable plates like Ahi-Ahi Taquitos with yellowfin tuna, sweet red onion, and yuzu kosho aioli; delicate Crispy Old Bay spiced Calamari with cilantro jalapeño aioli, pickled Fresno peppers, and Patagonian Shrimp Ceviche

with yuzu, red onion, cilantro, and corn nuts. Main Plates include dishes like Braised Boneless Short Ribs, slow-cooked with gochujang; Caribbean Tiger Prawns in agave jerk marinade and Grilled Chicken with red and yellow anticuchos.

ZUCCA

Hotel St Michel 162 Alcazar Ave Coral Gables, FL 33134 786-580-3731 zuccamiami. com Su – Th Noon – 10 pm; F & Sa Noon – 11 pm; Flawless, Soul-Satisfying Regional Italian One of Coral Gable's most acclaimed restaurants, dining at Zucca is like hop-scotching through the best regions of Italy. You'll find authentic seafood preparations from Sardinia, popular beef and meat dishes from Tuscany, and a litany of wonderful cheeses, handcrafted charcuterie, house-made pasta, and specialties from across the country. FYI: Don't pass up the zucchini blossoms stuffed with cheese and fried to a delish crisp! With over 2,000 bottles of hand-selected regional wines, innovative craft cocktails, and unique Italian-inspired beverages for pairing, it's a culinary journey you won't forget.



SAMPLE MENUS



appetizers

Peppercorn-Crusted Tuna lightly seared with sweet soy reduction, wasabi & sriracha sauces, seaweed salad

Santa Fe Chicken Egg Rolls seasoned chicken, corn, black beans, roasted red peppers, lime cilantro aioli

Sunset Conch Fritters ground conch in seasoned batter lightly fried with Out Island Sauce

Fried "Or" Coconut Shrimp hand battered, lightly fried with orange horseradish sauce

Nachos

small plates

sesame shrimp toast

tahini herb sauce

annatto chili sauce

Blue Swimmer Crab Dip

Tomato and Eggplant Tart

Crispy Pork & Fried Plantains

Herb Crusted Wahoo Crudo

smoked wahoo creme, rice cracker

Buffalo Teriyaki Wings

Pan-Seared Swordfish

tamarind sweet and sour sauce

caramelized pineapple

from the sea

smoky eggplant, roasted heirloom tomatoes,

beef, chicken or pork, crafted cheese, pico de gallo, sour cream, guacamole, fresh tortilla chips

SAMPLE MENUS —

ATLANTIC'S EDGE A TASTE OF LAND & SEA

Atlantic's Edge at Cheeca Lodge & Spa 81801 Overseas Hwy, Islamorada 305-517-4447; cheeca.com

Poached Mahi Mahi coconut, ginger, jalapeno broth

sandwiches

onion on brioche bun

a ciabatta roll

entrees

Catch of the Day

Seafood Tacos

fried or blackened

grilled, fried, or blackened

arilled to taste on brioche bun

Blackened Florida Grouper tropical slaw

Yellowtail Snapper haitian pikliz, pineapple chutney

Seafood Trap for Two mussels, clams, shrimp, scallops fresh caught fish, coconut bouillon, chum mayo, garlic baguette

Your Catch Cooked to Order grilled, blackened or fried including two sides

from the land

14 oz Angus Delmonico Ribeye classic red wine demi-glace

8 oz Churrasco Skirt Steak chimichurri

sweet, spicy, smoky wings, tangy blue cheese,

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Breakfast, Too, Daily From 7 – 10:30 am

Alaskan Snow Crab Platter Full pound with fries, fisherman's slaw

two cold-water lobster tails, chargrilled

Twin Lobster Tails

World Famous Fish Sandwich grilled, fried or blackened with lettuce, tomato,

Key Lime Peppercorn Catch/Chicken fresh snapper, mahi, grouper or chicken

Hand Formed Cabana Burger certified angus beef, lettuce, tomato, onion

Caprese Chicken Sandwich grilled chicken breast, basil pesto, beefsteak tomato, fresh mozzarella, balsamic glazed on Choice 12 oz New York Strip Steak Chararilled to taste



mahi, shrimp, grouper or snapper, grilled,

Berkshire Pork Chop roasted peppers & onion jus

Roast Half Chicken caribbean spice rub, fried plantains



SAMPLE MENUS



shareable appetizers

Conch Fritters bahamian conch, red peppers & special seasonings - a house favorite!

Wasabi & Panko Encrusted Tuna served rare, sliced thin, topped with wasabi peas & served with honey soy

Smoked Gouda Hickory Bacon Ranch Chips

shoestring golden house-made waffle chips, hickory smoked bacon, topped & baked with shredded smoked gouda, drizzled with buttermilk ranch

handhelds

Smoked House Burger cheddar cheese, bacon, caramelized onions & bbg sauce

SAMPLE MENUS



starters

Sesame Seared Tuna buffalo ponzu dipping sauce

Flash Fried Conch ponzu & wasabi drizzle

Buffalo Shrimp house-made blue cheese dressing Ahi Tuna & Avocado Eggrolls

asian dipping sauce House Smoked Fish Dip

jalapeños, red onion, tomatoes

Warm Mexican Street Corn Dip corn, jack cheese, cilantro, house smoked poblano sauce, corn tortillas

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Grilled Gouda Chicken sloppy grilled chicken breast, applewood smoked bacon, smoked gouda, tomatoes, red onion, fresh basil & chipotle

Mahi Mahi Sandwich fried or grilled, lime peppered or with blackening spice

New England Lobster Roll maine lobster, celery, tarragon mayo on a grilled New England-style roll.

dinner entrees

Mango Mahi Mahi blackened topped with fresh mango salsa & sweet balsamic glaze

Fresh Catch of the Day served grilled, fried or blackened; pesto panko encrusted; piccata style; or blackened with mango salsa & sweet balsamic glaze

Square Grouper Islamorada

bowls

cauliflower.

tomatoes

slaw

sauce, spinach, cashews,

tomatoes, basil vinaigrette

sweet, spicy tomato broth

house specialties

MM 80.4, Gulfside Islamorada,

pack your bowls with pan-sautéed shrimp,

Jasmine Rice Bowl - thai sweet chili butter

Pasta Bowl - key lime butter sauce, roasted

Spaghetti Squash Bowl – pesto, feta, grape

Square Grouper Seafood Stew

Almond-Encrusted Grouper

warm caribbean pineapple relish Seared

Sesame-Encrusted Tuna jasmine rice, asian

sautéed local fish, scallops, calamari, shrimp,

scallops, local fish, chicken breast, portabella

mushroom, seared tuna, lobster tail, or roasted

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BBQ Baby Back Pork Ribs half rack of famous fall-off-the-bone ribs

6oz Center Cut Filet topped with house-made bernaise



Seafood Platters

w/ Both

your choice: shrimp or local fish sautéed

conch sided with fries, cole slaw

16 oz Grilled Beef Ribeye

Roasted Duck Breast

tamarind garlic sauce

blackened or fried; coconut shrimp; or fried

certified angus beef with onions & peppers

or w/ rosemary garlic blue Cheese Butter or

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appetizers

Gratin Of Grilled Asparagus grill-roasted asparagus, vine-ripened plum tomatoes with EVOO, garlic, herbs, gorgonzola

Broccoli Rabe (Rappini) sautéed in EVOO, garlic, chopped tomatoes, red pepper flakes, shaved parmesan

Carpaccio di Bue thin slices of beef loin, lemon juice, EVOO, with capers, parmesan, aruqula

New Zealand Mussels green lip mussels with garlic, butter, basil, red pepper flakes, chopped tomatoes, white wine

New Escargots sautéed in butter, EVOO, garlic, shallots, white wine and pesto, over a grilled garlic crouton.

seafood specialties

Seafood Scampi

maine lobster, shrimp, lump blue crab, white wine, garlic, butter, parsley & clam broth over fresh linguine

Lobster Linguine maine lobster claw & knuckle in pink sauce

Seafood Scampi

maine lobster, shrimp, lump blue crab, white wine, garlic, butter, parsley, clam broth over fresh linguine

Fresh Large Sea Scallops sautéed in butter & garlic tossed with spinach fettuccine in fresh pesto cream sauce

house specialties

House-Made Pasta

made fresh on premises with 100% semolina fresh eggs. choice of sauce: marinara, meat, alfredo, pesto, creamy marinara, creamy pesto.

SAMPLE MENUS -----



to share

Deviled Eggs with Scallops island topped with seared scallops & signature lobster sauce

Shrimp Mango Toast

key west shrimp, fresh garlic, scallion & caper aioli with fresh parsley, and a touch of red chili, crispy toasted mango bread

Key West Shrimp With Lobster key west shrimp with Maine lobster stuffing & key lime, tamarind and honey sauce

Lobster Roll Profiteroles

classic lobster roll filling served inside delicate house made profiteroles

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entrees

Seared Scallops

wild caught cold water scallops, key lime ginger sauce, roasted walnuts. Served with a baked ricotta and feta spinach torte with pine nuts

Yellow Tail Snapper

sautéed tender filet with lemon & parsley sauce, risotto topped with parmesan, and sautéed asparagus.

Key West Pink Shrimp In Red Chili Pepper Sauce

sautéed with fresh, sweet & spicy red chili pepper sauce & fresh basil over a bed of risotto

Seafood Medley

fresh pasta, scallops, Prince Edward Island mussels, and Key West Pink shrimp. Served with a tomato, shallot, and boursin sauce

Pollo Marsala

hormone-free chicken sautéed with butter, garlic, shallots, mushrooms in marsala wine sauce.

Pollo or Mahi Piccatta

white wine, capers, butter, fresh lemon juice, garlic shallots, parsley

Spaghettini Schmappellini with asparagus, basil, garlic, tomatoes in savory vegetable consommé topped with toasted pine nuts, shaved parmesan



Fish of the Day with Grilled Key West Pink Shrimp on Arepa

local sautéed filet, sherry lobster sauce & Key West pink shrimp on arepa

Beef Stroganoff

certified black Angus skirt steak in a reduction sauce with a touch of sour cream with baby portobello mushrooms over fresh pasta



SAMPLE MENUS



starters/soups/salads

Signature Seared Crab Cake jumbo lump crab cakes, red pepper sauce, fennel salad, herbed goat cheese

Fried Bruschetta hand-breaded fresh mozzarella, currant tomatoes, chili honey, aged balsamic

Lobster Bisque lobster, tobiko, caviar, fennel fronds, toasted brioche, orange olive oil

Chop Salad

romaine, baby iceberg, avocado, heirloom tomatoes, hard-boiled egg, roasted red onions, grilled bacon, Maytag crumbles, garlic buttermilk dressing

Burrata burrata, prosciutto, blueberry compote, basil

SAMPLE MENUS

MAYFAIRGIRIL

starters

Black Truffle & Potato Croquetas truffle crème fraîche

Tuna Tartare passionfruit, ponzu, fresno chili, cilantro, house chips

Local Burrata marinated eggplant, sun dried tomato, aged balsamic

Shrimp Tiradito poached shrimp, chili pepper, lèche de tigre, sweet potato

Wood-Grilled Dates whipped sheep's milk cheese, hazelnut, grape saba

Grilled Thick-Cut Bacon embered maple syrup, smoked sea salt

pastas

Jalapeño Pesto semolina pasta, stracciatella, florida basil, cashew

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clams, mussels, shrimp, cream sauce,

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Isabelle's Signature Picatta

lemon caper sauce, pommes purée

sweet potato mousseline, baby vegetables,

lemon basil pesto, pan-seared mushrooms,

broccolini, fennel sausage, pepper & onion jus

pasta

parmesan

entrées

Seared Bass

white bean purée

Penna Arrabbiata

Seafood Linguine

prosciutto, fig beurre blanc

Joyce Farms Chicken

Lobster Ravioli garlic scampi sauce, breadcrumbs

Gnocchi pomodoro, parmigiano reggiano, basil, olive

wood-fired grilled

Florida Snapper key lime garlic butter

Wood-Grilled Shrimp preserved lemon, calabrian chili

Wood-Fired Scallops tomato olive relish, herb salad **Chicken Milanese**

parmesan crusted chicken, arugula fennel salad, shaved manchego, lemon

Isabelle's Signature Burger short rib & brisket patty, peppered bacon, gruyere, housemade onion jam, herb parmesan fries



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> **Pasture Raised Chicken** cilantro salsa verde, grilled lime

Iberico Pork Churrasco umami butter

16 oz Bone-In Rib Eye grilled maître d



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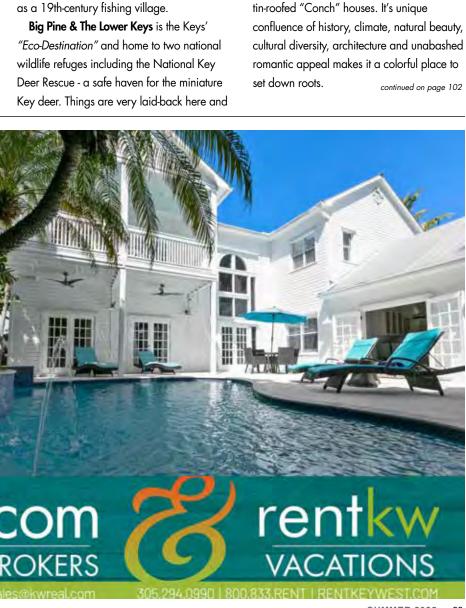
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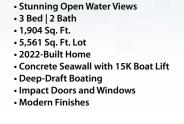


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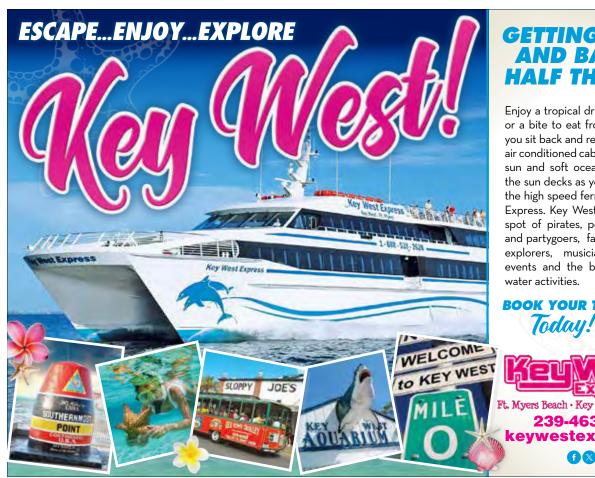


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