

Boca Raton E-News

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Additional performances by Frank Sinatra tribute singer, Frank Todaro, and the Youth Touring Company showcasing traditional Italian dancing. Food and spirits from throughout the region will be available for purchase. Other festivities will include cooking demonstrations, a sketch artist, and for the kids – rides and face painting.



February 2016

Allianz Championship

The Allianz Championship is back in Boca Raton from February I through 7 on The Old Course at Broken Sound. This is the tenth year that an outstanding field of PGA Champions Tour golfers will return to play for a share of the \$1.75 million purse on February 5, 6, and 7, televised live on The Golf Channel. Proceeds of this early season tournament benefit the Boca Raton Regional Hospital. The City of Boca Raton provides free admission



for everyone, Monday through Thursday, February I-4. From Friday through Sunday, February 5-7, seniors 70 and older and children 17 and younger are always FREE! Tickets are available online at www.allianzchampionship.com.

Italian Fest Comes to Downtown Boca



That's amore! Downtown Boca will host the City's Italian Fest at Sanborn Square, 72 N. Federal Highway, on Saturday, February 27, with all the sights, sounds and tastes of Italy. Admission is **FREE**. Headlining the inaugural event is Ray Massa's EuroRythms performing unique arrangements of pop and classic Italian songs, and the three-part-harmony girl group Tre Bella.



Free parking is available at City Hall, the Downtown Library, and other locations downtown where signage is featured. For more information, call 561-393-7807 or visit www.DowntownBoca.org

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Join the Boca Raton Public Library in February for...

Civic Engagement

One Book Boca

Read with us! The Boca Raton Public Library invites Boca's citizens to read and discuss the book, Very Good Lives: The Fringe Benefits of Failure and the Importance of Imagination, by J.K. Rowling. The book was selected as part of the BRPL's 2016 Civic Engagement initiative for its inspirational message and the deeper question of what it means to live a good life in our modern world. Programs include:



• Teen Book Discussion

Downtown Library, February 4, 6:00-7:00 p.m. Spanish River Library, February 8, 4:15-5:15 p.m. Teens will view Rowling's speech and discuss the book, create an idea board with tips on how to follow their dreams, and share their thoughts in short video clips. Click on a date above to register.

Moderated Community Discussion

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Civic Lectures for Savvy Citizens: Presidential Primaries Explained Downtown Library, February 17, 7:00-8:00 p.m.

Political Science Professor Terry Randolph of Palm Beach State College discusses the history and significance of presidential primary elections and how they are the ultimate reflection of grassroots democracy in American politics -- where the voice of the people has its greatest impact. Local Republican and Democratic

Party leaders will be on hand to explain how the primary process works, and what to expect in the Florida Primary elections on March 15 and beyond. Register here.

Family Programs

Mardi Gras Family Party

Spanish River Library, February 9, 6:30-8:00 p.m. Join us for this special family event featuring a door prize raffle, fun games and musical chairs with zydeco music. Sample delicious king cake and make your own mask craft. No registration required.





In Your Library's Backyard

Spanish River Library, February 27, 11:00 a.m.-12:00 noon Explore the Pondhawk Natural Area adjacent to the Spanish River Library while learning about its five Florida ecosystems, as well as native plants and animals. Discover the importance of preserving "urban wilderness" and use your keen eyes to contribute to our ongoing species count. Note: Program will begin indoors and will end outdoors. Please bring water and dress appropriately. All ages welcome. Enroll here.

Join the Boca Raton Public Library...continued...

Story Central

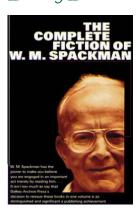
Family Storytelling Slam - Downtown Library, February 6, 2:00-3:30 p.m.

Storytelling Slam for Adults - Downtown Library, February 20, 4:00-5:30 p.m.

Ever wanted to try your hand at storytelling? This is your opportunity! Caren Neile, PhD, of Florida Atlantic University moderates our storytelling slams. Share your oral stories for a chance to win prizes. Funded by Friends of the Boca Raton Public Library. Click on a date above to enroll.



Literary Lectures & Film Series



Literary Lectures: W.M. Spackman

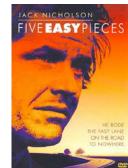
Downtown Library, February 3, 1:00-2:30 p.m.

This lecture goes beyond *New York Times* bestsellers to explore the seminal work of W.M. Spackman. Join Neil Schulhoff for an in-depth discussion of key works by this author. Register here.

American Alienation in Film: Five Easy Pieces (Rated R)

Downtown Library, February 6, 5:00-7:00 p.m.

Join host Neil Schulhoff for Five Easy Pieces, a character study of a talented pianist who has given up a promising career and now works on oil rigs. After 20 years, he returns home to his father's deathbed, perhaps to reconcile himself with his fear of failure and desire for greatness. Register here.



Underground Library:

P.G. Wodehouse and E.F. Benson -- The Wit of Farce

Downtown Library, February 16, 7:00-8:30 p.m.

Join Neil Schulhoff for a lively discussion of two prolific British authors of the 19th and 20th centuries.

Register here.



Engaging Documentaries: Revenge of the Electric Car (PG-13)

Downtown Library, February 25, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

By 2006, as many as 5,000 electric cars were destroyed by the major car companies that built them. Today, the electric car is back with a vengeance. Without using a single drop of foreign oil, this new generation of car is America's future: fast, furious, and cleaner than ever. It's not just the next generation of green cars that's on the line, it's the future of the automobile itself. Register here.

MyBocaLink

<u>MyBocaLink</u> is the City's official landing page designed to help you quickly connect with City departments, discover the world class programs and services offered here, engage with the community by attending meetings and events, and share the news, information and hot topics from the City.

MPA Presents

We've got you covered at The Mizner Park Amphitheater! Beginning this month, all events are under the cover the big tent covering the venue through mid-April. The month starts out with The 30th Annual OUTDOOR JURIED ART FESTIVAL presented by The Boca Raton Museum of Art on February 6 and 7 from I 0am-5pm both days. This annual tradition features over 200 artists who have been selected to participate in the event, which includes painting, sculpture, jewelry, wood, fiber, photography, ceramics/pottery, mixed media, graphic design, crafts, and glass. Admission is free.



We have two great "date-night" options on Valentine's Day weekend. **BOCA MAGAZINE presents:** MIXOLOGY, The Craft Spirits Event on Saturday, February I3 from 4pm-8pm. AEG Live presents: ALAN PARSONS LIVE PROJECT with special guests THE ORCHESTRA on Sunday, February I4 at 7:30pm.

The following weekend you can make yourself smarter, support a great charity, and enjoy young musicians On February 19th at 5pm come see experts and trendsetters speaking on the topic of "Ingenuity" at <u>TEDx BOCA RATON</u>. On **Saturday, February 20** at 8:00am cyclists are welcome to register and participate in THE <u>DOLPHINS CANCER CHALLENGE</u>, one of 6 rides ending at the Sun Life Stadium for a fun event and concert to raise money for cancer research. The weekend ends with a free family concert by <u>THE FLORIDA YOUTH ORCHESTRA</u> performing "Classics in the Park" on **Sunday, February 21** at 4:00pm.

The final weekend of February starts off going back to the 80s for <u>The REUNION Concert featuring Debbie Gibson</u>, Flock of Seagulls, Information Society, Wang Chung, Modern English and Nu Shooz on Friday, February 26 at 7:00. Saturday night, February 27 at 7:30 come experience the amazing world music and dance as the spectacular <u>BENISE</u>: <u>STRINGS OF PASSION</u> world tour makes a stop in Boca Raton. And finally, on Sunday February 28 at 6:30pm come see our local best and brightest stars as they compete in the <u>FUTURE</u> <u>STARS PERFORMING ARTS COMPETITION</u>, a free event presented by The Rotary Club of Boca Raton.

Art in Public Places

As part of the 2015-2016 "Art in Public Places" Season, February's display consists of artwork created by local elementary school students in kindergarten through fifth grade. To provide recognition, certificates and ribbons are presented to each student. The exhibit will be on display during the month of February at the <u>Boca Raton Community Center</u>, 150 Crawford Boulevard and can be viewed Monday to Friday, 8 am – 9 pm and Saturday, 8 am – 5 pm. For more information, call 561-393-7807.

Painting often becomes an obsessive passion, consuming all **Rosie Sherman's** energy and thought until the piece is done. Landscapes, florals, and women & children are frequently subjects of pieces that hold a special place in her heart. **Les Petite Collecteurs**, a non-profit organization whose purpose is to create and stimulate interest in dollhouse miniatures, conducts an annual show and sale to generate funds for abused children. Both exhibitions will be on display during the month of February at the <u>James A. Rutherford Community Center</u> in Patch Reef Park, 2000 W. Yamato Road, and can be viewed Monday through Friday, 8 am – 10 pm; Saturday, 8 am – 5 pm; and Sunday, 10 am – 5 pm. For more information call 561-367-7035.

Staying Informed

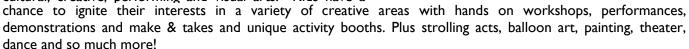
Always looking for things to do in Boca Raton? <u>Sign up</u> for the weekly **eFlash!** Every Friday, this free, electronic communication sends you information on upcoming events.

February at Sugar Sand Park

Special Events

Arts Spark Kids Fest Sunday, February 21, 11am-4pm

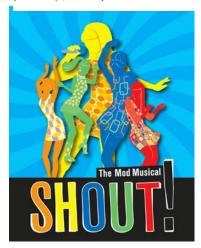
This interactive festival of the arts for kids features the cultural, creative, performing and visual arts. Kids have a



Admission \$10 kids 16 and under; adults free with paid child. Separate fees for select activities and food. Wristbands on sale day of event only.

Visit <u>www.sugarsandpark.org/arts-spark</u> for a complete schedule of activities and workshop times.

In the Willow Theatre...



Shout the Mod Musical

Five women tell their live stories in this musical- set to the music, style, and freedom of the 1960s. A combination of irresistible hip-swiveling hits, eye-popping fashions and outrageous dance moves.

Feb 5-14 • 2 & 8pm shows

Tickets \$15-\$25

Arts Spar

Inside the Perfect Circle: The Odyssey of Joel Thome

A documentary film featuring Grammy winner, composer, and conductor Joel Thome (collaborator to Frank Zappa, Pablo Picasso and many more) and his use of the healing power of music and graphically notated mandala scores to overcome the effects of a debilitating stroke.

Thursday, Feb 25 • 7pm

Tickets \$5

Big Band Concert Series

Troy Anderson and the Wonderful World Band

Accompanied by five other seasoned musicians, with trumpet and lead vocals by Troy Anderson, whose Louis Armstrong impersonation is too natural to be called uncanny.

Sunday, Feb 28 • 2pm

Tickets \$25



Day Trip to the Wick Theatre & Costume Museum

Join us on Wednesday, February 17, from 10:15 am to 2:00 pm for a guaranteed memorable experience at the Wick Theatre and Costume Museum. The Wick offers an astounding exhibit of the finest costumes ever seen on the Broadway stage, created by the most honored, respected designers in the history of the American Musical Theatre. This incredible venue houses a collection of original costumes from over 35 Broadway productions and revivals with an estimated value of more than 20 million dollars. The tour is led by a knowledgeable, entertaining theatre professional, allowing for a remarkable, "up close and personal" look at the costumes for Titanic, How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying, Camelot, Dracula, My Fair Lady, and many more. A sumptuous lunch is served in the Tavern Room while you enjoy a cabaret show. Trip includes museum tour, lunch, a cabaret show and round trip motor coach transportation to and from Patch Reef Park. The cost is \$72. Please arrive at Patch Reef Park for check-in by 9:45am, where light refreshments are offered prior to boarding the motor coach to the theatre. For more information, please call (561) 367-7035.

Fire Expo 2016

Don't miss this informative community program presented by Boca Raton Fire Rescue Services on Saturday, February 6!



Meet YOUR Firefighters & Paramedics
Live Action Firefighting Demonstrations
Learn About Health & Safety
Interactive Activities
Informative Displays
Photo Ops for Children with Firefighters
Hands Only CPR
Free Blood Pressure & Cholesterol Checks

Save the Dates!

Mark your calendar for the IIth Annual Sea Turtle Day Festival on March 5 and the IOth Annual Festival of the Arts BOCA from March 4 to 16.



presented by The Schmidt Family Centre for the Arts

March 4-16, 2016

IIth Annual

Sea Turtle Day Festival

March 5, 2016

Keeping Our Sea

Marine Debris Free!

- FREE Parking and Shuttle Bus to/from Spanish River Park (3001 N Ocean Blvd)
- FREE Admission (\$5 per person donation suggested)
- Aquarium Feedings, Live Animal Presentations, Nature Walks, and more!
- Children's Theatre Performances
- Exhibitors, Food Trucks, Ice Cream, and more!
- 9:00 a.m. 4:00 p.m.
- Visit <u>www.gumbolimbo.org</u>
 for more information







Volunteers - An Invaluable Gift!

Again this year, a remarkable number of hours have been donated by volunteers, who work behind the scenes, enhancing City programs for our community with the donation of their time, talents and energy. We are proud to report that our volunteers' donated an incredible 63,000 hours to our City!

Please visit our volunteer page at www.myboca.us to learn how you can become involved in our community. Many volunteer opportunities are currently available; specifically we are recruiting volunteers to help at one of our beautiful golf courses on ATA, Red Reef Golf.

Thanks to all the generous people who volunteer in nearly every City department. The City of Boca Raton residents greatly appreciate all that you do!

Upcoming City Events

All events are free unless otherwise indicated.

Saturdays, February 6, 13, 20, 27 8:45 am Sanborn Square, 72 N. Federal Highway

Saturday and Sunday, February 6 & 7, 10 am - 5 pm Mizner Park Amphitheater

Saturday, February 13, 4 pm – 8 pm Mizner Park Amphitheater

Sunday, February 14, 7:30 pm Mizner Park Amphitheater

Friday, February 19, 5 pm - 10 pm Mizner Park Amphitheater

Saturday, February 20, 8:00 am Mizner Park Amphitheater

Sunday, February 21, 4:00 pm Mizner Park Amphitheater

Friday, February 26, 7:00 pm Mizner Park Amphitheater

Saturday, February 27, 7:30 pm Mizner Park Amphitheater

Sunday, February 28, 6:30 pm Mizner Park Amphitheater **SATURDAYS @ SANBORN**

Shape-up Fitness Classes

OUTDOOR JURIED ART FESTIVAL

Boca Raton Museum of Art

MIXOLOGY, THE CRAFT SPIRITS EVENT

Presented by Boca Magazine <u>Tickets</u>

ALAN PARSONS LIVE PROJECT

Special Guest The Orchestra <u>Tickets</u>

TEDx BOCA RATON

Ingenuity <u>Tickets</u>

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DOLPHINS CANCER CHALLENGE

46 mile Cycle

FLORIDA YOUTH ORCHESTRA

Free Family Concert

REUNION

The Ultimate 80's Concert

BENISE: STRINGS OF PASSION

Music and Dance Spectacular

FUTURE STARS PERFORMING ARTS COMPETITION

Rotary Club of Boca Raton Event



Happy Valentine's Day!