# Boca Raton E-News

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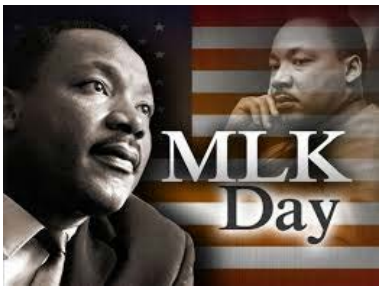
January 2016

## MLK Celebration

### Holiday Street Parade




Join your friends and neighbors for the Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration on Monday, January 18. The day begins at 9:30 a.m. with a ceremonial program at the MLK Memorial adjacent to the Ebenezer Baptist Church, 200 NE 12th Street. At 10:30 a.m., led by the Boca Raton High School NJROTC Honor Guard and Marching Band, participants march through Pearl City to Sanborn Square, 72 N. Federal Highway, one block north of Palmetto Park Road, where the celebration will continue from 11:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. The day will include music, live entertainment, dancers, free family-friendly activities and food for purchase. For further information, visit www.myboca.us or call 561-393-7995.

## Holiday Tree Recycling

The City of Boca Raton will be conducting a holiday tree recycling program **through January 16th.** Residents can drop off their "clean" holiday trees at 751 Banyan Trail located adjacent to Mizner Bark Dog Park. The trees will be chipped into mulch that will be used at the Gumbo Limbo Nature Center. Residents can also place their holiday tree in the swale area outside their home on their scheduled vegetation collection day. For additional information, please call 561-393-7810.

**Please make sure to remove all decorations, including lights and tinsel, from the tree before recycling.**

## Art in Public Places

**XII Voices** is an informal organization of 12 artists and associates working in water media, whose purpose is to meet monthly to gather new information, exchange ideas, and obtain input for their work through the evaluation of peers. The exhibition of watercolor paintings features the works of local artists including: Jane Collin, Janet Davis, Jean Ellerie, Mary Harding, Marcia Hirschy, Elaine Kahn, Teresa Kirk, Dot Olson, Lois Perdue, Madeline Sergios, Tammy Seymour, Carol Thaw. The exhibit will be on display during the month of January at the Boca Raton Community Center, 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.

**Donna Burton** is a fine artist who works in mixed media. Her combined use of watercolors, pen and ink, pencils and pastels in conjunction with interesting papers create the basis of her original designs. Her work is fantasy and abstract with an emphasis on exciting colors and dimension. The exhibit will be on display during the month of January at the James A. Rutherford Community Center 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.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**Council Members**
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Jeremy Rodgers
Scott Singer

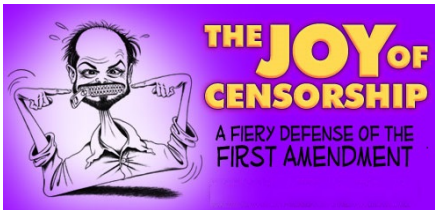
# Join the Boca Raton Public Library in January for...

## Civic Engagement

**Pants on Fire! PolitiFact Lecture**

Spanish River Library, January 6, 7:00-8:00 p.m.

Amy Sherman, staff writer for the *Miami Herald* and PolitiFact Florida, will discuss the work of PolitiFact Florida, a nonpartisan website that fact-checks claims made by politicians, candidates and political parties in debates, speeches, interviews and ads. Register here.




**The Joy of Censorship: A Fiery Defense of the First Amendment**

Downtown Library, January 10, 3:00-4:00 p.m.

With great insight and humor, *MAD Magazine* Senior Editor and comedian, Joe Raiola, sheds light on the endless arguments over banned books, movie ratings, the FCC, Supreme Court decisions, religious freedom and the true meaning of obscenity. Funded by Friends of the Boca Raton Public Library. Register here.

**Story Central: Performance Series**

**The Hanging of Tom Brown: A White Man's Journey**

Downtown Library, January 17, 3:00-5:00 p.m.

Miami-based storyteller, Jim Gregory, is a member of the Florida Storytelling Association and has performed throughout the state, including as a spotlight performer at StoryFest. Jim's CD of his civil rights experience won a Storytelling World Award in the Category of Stories for Adult Listeners. Recommended for adults and children ages 10 and older. Register here.

**Civic Lectures for Savvy Citizens:**

**Who's Speaking for You in Tallahassee?**

**The 2016 Florida Legislative Session in Focus**

Downtown Library, January 20, 7:00-8:00 p.m.

Civic Lectures for Savvy Citizens aims to provide citizens with relevant and unbiased information that will better inform them as they go to the polls in 2016. This month's lecture features Joseph Sophie of the Palm Beach County Legislative Delegation, which serves all thirteen members of the Florida Senate and House of Representatives for Boca Raton and Palm Beach County. Register here.

## Family Programs

**In Your Library's Backyard**

Spanish River Library, January 23, 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.

## MyBocaLink

MyBocaLink 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.

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

## Family Programs

**Story Central: Family Craft Event**

Downtown Library, January 23, 2:00-3:30 p.m.

Family stories keep us together, year after year, generation after generation. Bring the clan to learn how to rediscover family memories and start a family story album. Arts and crafts materials and refreshments provided. Presented by Caren Neile, PhD, of Florida Atlantic University. Funded by Friends of the Boca Raton Public Library. Enroll here.

## Literary Lectures

**Introduction to Seminal Authors: Henry James**

Downtown Library, January 6, 1:00-2:30 p.m.

This in-depth discussion goes beyond ***New York Times*** bestsellers to explore the seminal work of Henry James, one of the key figures in 19th century literary realism. Hosted by Neil Schulhoff. Register here.

**Underground Library:**

**Muriel Spark -- The Narrative Voice**

Downtown Library, January 19, 7:00-8:30 p.m.

Dame Muriel Spark was a Scottish novelist most noted for her work *The Prime of Miss Jean Brodie*. Join Neil Schulhoff for an in-depth discussion of this author. Register here.

# Day Trip to Vizcaya Museum and Gardens

**Thursday, January 14, 8:00 am to 3:30 pm -- Cost: $50 – *Register NOW!***

Created as James Deering's winter home in the 1910's, Vizcaya is a National Historic Landmark and accredited museum. The Museum and Gardens are recognized internationally for their cultural and historic significance, exemplary preservation, and dynamic visitor experience.

A guide will provide a basic introduction to the concepts behind the creation of the estate, and then you will be free to explore additional areas of the Main House and the Gardens on your own. Everyone will enjoy a Boxed Gourmet Lunch from the café. 5. The cost for the excursion is $50, which includes round-trip motor coach to and from Patch Reef Park, admission to the Museum, tour and lunch. Please arrive at Patch Reef Park for check-in by 7:30 am, where light refreshments are offered prior to boarding the motor coach to Vizcaya. For more information please call (561) 367-703

# MPA Presents

## Be a part of Something Big this January!

Have you always wanted to try a yoga class? This is your chance! Leslie Schwartz Glickman of Yoga Journey is hosting the BIGGEST public yoga class in South Florida on New Year's Day. Leslie teaches a regular Saturday morning class in Sanborn Square as part of the City's Saturdays at Sanborn fitness program. If you've always wanted to check out a yoga class or if you're an experienced yogi, be sure to attend this free class in the Mizner Park Amphitheater. The one-hour community class begins at 11:00 a.m. on New Year's Day.

Sunday, January 3rd The Dhaka Club of South Florida hosts their annual Deshi Winter Festival, a full day of Bangladeshi Indian Dance, Music, Shows, and Food from 12:00pm-11:00pm. Tickets are $10.

On Sunday, January 17, Downtown Boca welcomes the Sunshine Music Festival for the 4th year. Presented by Live Nation, this all day festival includes two stages and features The Tedeschi Trucks band, Indigo Girls, Trombone Shorty, Hard Working Americans, Karl Denson's Tiny Universe, The Revivalists, The Jerry Douglas Band, Jorma Kaukonen, Bobby Lee Rodgers Trio and Joanne Shaw Taylor. Food and beverages include food trucks and craft brew selections. Tickets are available at Ticketmaster. Free parking and shuttle from City Hall and the Downtown Library.

The big tent covering the amphitheater goes up in time for our final event in January: What Women Want Lifestyle and Wellness Expo. A fun-filled and educational weekend, this two-day event takes place on Saturday, January 30th and Sunday, January 31st.

For additional information visit the MPA website.

# Downtown Boca

Mark your calendar!! On **Saturday, February 27**, Downtown Boca will host an inaugural Italian Fest from 4 p.m. until 10 p.m. in Sanborn Square, 72 N. Federal Highway, featuring authentic food, live entertainment and much more. Festival goers will enjoy live music by accordion world champion, Gianni Mennillo, Frank Sinatra sound-alike Frank Todaro, Tres Bella and Ray Massa EuroRhythms. Other festivities will include rides, face painting, glass blowing, cooking demonstrations, a sketch artist, wine and several food vendors. Admission is **FREE**.

# Staying Informed....

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

## Upcoming City Events

All events are free unless otherwise indicated.

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| **Friday, January 1, 10:00 am – 2:00 pm**<br>Mizner Park Amphitheater | **SOMETHING BIG OUTDOOR YOGA CLASS**<br>*Presented by Yoga Journey* |
| **Saturdays, January 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 8:45 am**<br>Sanborn Square, 72 N. Federal Highway | **SATURDAYS @ SANBORN**<br>*Shape-up Fitness Classes* |
| **Sunday, January 3, Noon**<br>Mizner Park Amphitheater | **DESHI WINTER FEST**<br>*Presented by Dhaka Club of Florida* *Tickets $10* |
| **Sunday, January 3, Noon**<br>Mizner Park Amphitheater | **SUNSHINE MUSIC FESTIVAL**<br>*Presented by Live Nation* *Tickets* |
| **Monday, January 18, 9:30 am – 4:00 pm**<br>MLK Memorial and Sanborn Square | **MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DAY CELEBRATION**<br>*Join the celebration!* |
| **Saturday, January 31, 10:00 am**<br>Mizner Park Amphitheater | **WHAT WOMEN WANT**<br>*Lifestyle & Wellness Expo* *Tickets $10* |

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Happy New Year!