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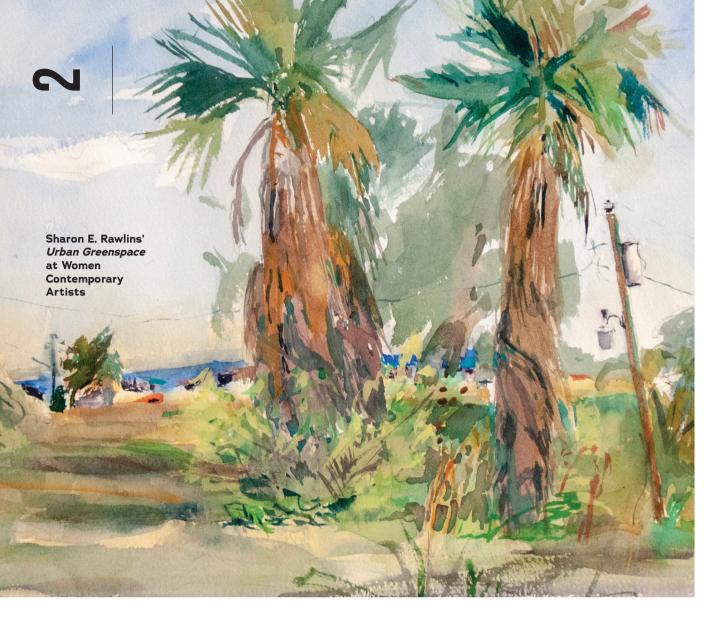
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WELCOME TO SARASOTA COUNTY, FLORIDA'S CULTURAL COAST!

We hope you will take advantage of our incredibly rich and diverse cultural community as you explore this beautiful region. No matter what your interests may be, you will find it here in abundance. In addition to our incredible performing arts scene which includes theater, music, dance and opera you can explore art centers, museums and art galleries galore. Be sure to visit our botanical gardens, aquarium and architectural centers.

The Arts and Cultural Alliance of Sarasota County, like so many in our community, believes that the arts are an essential element of a happy and productive life. The mission of the Alliance includes being the chief advocate for all facets of the arts in the community including arts education for all children in our schools. The Alliance administers the Tourist Development Tax Arts Grant program for Sarasota County in addition to other granting programs supporting arts organizations and individual artists throughout the region. These programs have resulted in over \$45 million of funding for the cultural community in Sarasota County.

It is our honor and privilege to serve this community and to produce this annual guide that provides visitors, new residents and locals a preview of arts and cultural experiences throughout the year. These experiences define who we are and how we connect with one another. To learn more and for up-to-date listings, please visit our website, Sarasota-Arts.org. Please feel free to contact our office at (941) 365-5118 if we can assist you in any way.



Sincerely, Jim Shirley

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THE CULTURAL COAST

From top: The Sarasota Ballet; Dan Wiemer's *Sunshower* at Art Center Manatee; Oomphalos





Whether you are a visitor to Sarasota, a newcomer, or a longtime resident, you can congratulate yourself: You made the right choice.

That's especially true if you're an arts lover. While we naturally pride ourselves here on our beaches, our restaurants, our environment and our neighborhoods, what sets us apart from most other Florida cities is our longstanding embrace of and commitment to the arts. That's why we call ourselves the "Cultural Coast."

Thousands work here in the musical, dance, theater and visual arts fields. Thousands more reap the benefits of all that work, as audience members, museumgoers and patrons.

That's been the case for many years, and even the past two or three seasons, troubled by a pandemic that often shut the doors to galleries and performance halls or enforced unwelcome restrictions, saw both artists and fans persist in doing what they love.

We basically have it all here: at least eight theaters, a unique performing arts hall, two orchestras, several museums, an opera, jazz, blues, chamber music, chalk art, film festivals, an art and design college, a wide range of gallery spaces, a botanical garden, a circus, standout residential and commercial designs from the famed Sarasota School of Architecture, a major ballet company and other dance troupes.

And while in the past we may have tended to think of ourselves as enjoying these experiences seasonally, during the fall and winter months, more and more we find there are shows to see, music to hear, year-round. Not to mention that doing so here is a much easier process than it can be in a larger city with more traffic and weather woes.

Whether you're here for a week, a few months, or year-round, you will find so much to fill your mind and soul, as well as your calendar. Enjoy what the "Cultural Coast" has to offer, in new and familiar ways. This guide is here to help.



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In Sarasota, the halls—and the parks, the pavilions and any other venue you can think of—are truly alive with the sound of music.

Those sounds take every form, too, from full-scale opera masterpieces to laid-back blues and jazz concerts to soaring orchestral interpretations to Broadway and pop hits, choral compositions, experimental works by contemporary composers and even barbershop harmonies.

From polished professionals to dedicated amateurs, the performers taking the stages here run the gamut, and so do the audiences, eager to satisfy their own special yearnings. Whatever you're in the mood to listen to, you can find it.

> / Joseph Young Sarasota Orchestra

FOR INFORMATION ON MUSIC GROUPS AND EVENTS, VISIT SARASOTAARTS.ORG.

ARTIST SERIES CONCERTS OF SARASOTA

artistseriesconcerts.org (941) 306-1200

Artist Series Concerts of Sarasota, now in its 27th season, promotes excellence in live musical performance and features acknowledged stars of the next generation.

SYBARITE5 Nov. 15, 2022, 7:30 p.m.

John Kaneklides, tenor and Joseph Holt, piano Nov. 20, 2022, 4 p.m. Nov. 21, 2022, 7:30 p.m. Double Feature: Blake Pouliot and Simone Porter, violins Dec. 6, 2022, 7:30 p.m.

The 442s Dec. 13, 2022, 7:30 p.m.

Dover Quartet Jan. 10, 2023, 7:30 p.m.

Danielle Talamantes, soprano and Kerry Wilkerson, bass-baritone Jan. 18, 2023, 5:30 p.m.

Steven Moeckel, violin and Joanna Goldstein, piano Jan. 29, 2023, 4 p.m. Jan. 30, 2023, 7:30 p.m. Maria Wirries On Broadway Feb. 23, 2023, 5:30 p.m.

Quartet for the End of Time Feb. 28, 2023, 7:30 p.m.

Daniel Solowey, clarinet and Milana Strezeva, piano March 5, 2023, 4 p.m. March 6, 2023, 7:30 p.m.

Michelle Cann, piano March 7, 2023, 7:30 p.m.

Lin Ye, piano March 26, 2023, time TBD

JIJI, guitar April 20, 2023, 5:30 p.m. Vivaldi and Mendelssohn May 9, 2023, 7:30 p.m.

CHAMBER ORCHESTRA OF SARASOTA

chamberorchestrasarasota.org (219) 928-8665

In Love with Music—the sixth season—will be presented at First Presbyterian Church in Sarasota and St. Boniface Episcopal Church on Siesta Key. Experience the joys of classical, romantic, modern and popular music performed by musicians in small and intimate venues. Happy Holidays Dec. 1, 2022, 7:30 p.m.

Making Music Together Jan. 13, 2023 7 p.m.

Virtuoso Night Feb. 15, 2023, 7:30 p.m.

Celebration March 23, 2023, 7:30 p.m.

CHORAL ARTISTS OF SARASOTA

choralartistssarasota.org (941) 387-6046

Choral Artists of Sarasota is comprised of 32 classically trained, auditioned singers performing music from a broad spectrum of the choral literature. Complementing the ensemble are eight apprentice singers, students ranging in age from 18 to 22.

DIVERSITY: THE VOICES OF SARASOTA diversitysarasota.org

(888) 550-6279

DIVERSITY: The Voices of Sarasota, now embarking on its 25th year, is committed to creating and maintaining a loving and supportive group of gay and gay-friendly persons with a common goal of singing for and reaching out to the community.

GUITAR SARASOTA

guitarsarasota.org (941) 260-3306

Guitar Sarasota launched its "International Concert Series" in 2006 to bring the artistry of world-class classical guitarists from around the globe to the local scene. In 2015, following numerous sold-out



performances, the series moved to the Unitarian Universalist Church in Sarasota. Many more sold-out performances later, the increasingly popular International Concert Series moved to its new and current venue, the Riverview Performing Arts Center.

THE JAZZ CLUB OF SARASOTA

jazzclubsarasota.org (941) 260-9951

The Jazz Club of Sarasota presents, promotes and sponsors live jazz events at various venues throughout the Sarasota/Manatee area. This season includes the 50th Anniversary tour of the Manhattan Transfer in October and the annual Sarasota Jazz Festival in March.

The Manhattan Transfer in Concert at Sailor Circus Arena Oct. 21, 2022, 7:30 p.m.

Jazz at Two at the Unitarian Universalist Church of Sarasota Oct. 14, 2022-May 5, 2023, 2 p.m. Dates vary

Monday Night Jazz at the Cabaret at FST's John C. Court Cabaret Oct. 17, 2022-Sept. 18, 2023, 7:30 p.m. Dates vary

Thursday Jazz at the Sarasota Art Museum Oct. 13, 2022-Sept. 14, 2023, 5:30 p.m. Dates vary

Jazz on the Water aboard the Marina Jack II Nov. 20, 2022; 2 p.m. May 21, 2023; 3 p.m.

Joy of Jazz - Centennial Park Gazebo, Venice Jan. 22, 2023; 2 p.m. Feb. 26, 2023; 2 p.m. March 19, 2023; 2 p.m.

DID YOU KNOW?

The Sarasota Opera's Youth Opera is the only one in the country that presents an annual fullscale opera production for young voices—and accepts all who wish to participate, regardless of ability to pay. sarasotaopera.org

Sarasota Jazz Festival at Circus Arts Conservatory Tent at Nathan Benderson Park March 12-18, 2023

KEY CHORALE

keychorale.org (941) 552-8768

Key Chorale, the Suncoast's premier symphonic chorus, is dedicated to transforming lives through innovative programming, artistic excellence, educational outreach and service to the community.

Mystics and Kings featuring The Sarasota Ballet Studio Company and Trainees Nov. 27, 2022; 4 p.m.

Miniature Masterpieces Jan. 21, 2023; 4 p.m. Jan. 22, 2023' 5 p.m.

A Sea Symphony, Masterwork by Vaughan Williams Feb. 10, 2023; 7:30 p.m. Feb. 11, 2023, 4 p.m.

Cirque des Voix® with The Circus Arts Conservatory March 10, 2023, 8 p.m. March 11-12, 2023, 1 p.m.

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American Roots: CSN Crosby, Stills & Nash Folk Rock with The Lubben Brothers April 22, 2023, 4 p.m. April 23, 2023, 5 p.m.

Grace The Spirit of Aretha with Westcoast Black Theatre Troupe May 8, 2023, 7:30 p.m.

Tomorrow's Voices Today, High School Choral Festival May 15, 2023, 7:30 p.m.

LA MUSICA DI ASOLO

lamusicafestival.org (941) 328-1300

Chamber music ensembles from February to April. Season features Van Cliburn Competition finalists, Chamber Music Society of Lincoln Center and a three-concert Festival in April.

Rachmaninoff Celebration Feb. 20, 2023, 7:30 p.m.

Chamber Music Society of Lincoln Center March 13, 2023, 7:30 p.m.

La Musica Chamber Festival April 8, 2023, 7:30 p.m. April 11, 2023, 7:30 p.m.

April 15, 2023, 5 p.m.

LAKEWOOD RANCH WIND ENSEMBLE

lwrwindensemble.org (518) 376-7973

Formed in 2019, the Lakewood Ranch Wind Ensemble looks forward to serving the Suncoast community by providing exposure to the finest wind ensemble literature performed by some of our region's most accomplished musicians.

Veterans Day Military Tribute Nov. 11, 2022

Thanksgiving Concert Nov. 27, 2022

Winter Concert Jan. 22, 2023

Spring Concert March 19, 2023

MANATEE COMMUNITY CONCERT BAND

manateeconcertband.org (941) 363-1237

The Manatee Community Concert Band performs a wide variety of music, from standard marches, Broadway and movie hits to timeless swing classics, pop, classical and much more. Members of this band come from all walks of life. The expertise levels vary from members who have played in high school or college and now enjoy playing as a hobby to many who have been professional musicians for over 40 years.

MUSICA SACRA OF SARASOTA

musicasacrasarasota.org (941) 405-7322

Musica Sacra of Sarasota is an organization consisting of two choral ensembles of qualified and dedicated musicians. The professional, remunerated ensemble Voices is home to some of the region's premier choral and vocal artists.

NEW MUSIC NEW COLLEGE

newmusicnewcollege.org (941) 487-4888

New Music New College's 24th season brings contemporary, experimental and avant-garde music to Sarasota.

Recap Quartet Oct. 8, 2022, 8 p.m.

Inside "In C" Nov. 19, 2022, 8 p.m. Kathleen Supové: NEXT DOOR Jan. 14, 2023, 8 p.m.

It's Alive! A Monstrous Circus On "Frankenstein" March 4, 2023, 8 p.m.

Pamela Z April 29, 2023, 8 p.m.

THE NORTH PORT CHORALE

thenorthportchorale.org (941) 426-8479

A community chorus presenting three concerts a year in the North Port Performing Arts Center.

A Season of Peace, Joy & Love Dec. 10, 2022, 7 p.m.

A Night at the Movies Feb. 18, 2023, 7 p.m.

A Fool's Day, Masquerade Ball April 1, 2023, 7 p.m.

NORTH PORT SYMPHONY

northportsymphony.com (941) 426-8479

OASIS - OPERA FOR ANIMALS SIGNING IS SAVING

operaforanimals.org (941) 351-1007





PERLMAN MUSIC PROGRAM SUNCOAST

perlmansuncoast.org (941) 955-4942

The PMP Winter Residency, with string students and faculty, including Itzhak Perlman, returns to the area from Dec. 26, 2022, to January 7, 2023. Renowned alum, violinist Randall Goosby, will perform at the Sarasota Opera House on Dec. 8, 2022, with pianist Zhu Wang.

Violins and Hope: Niv Ashknazi, Matthew Graybil and Daniel Levin Nov. 16, 2022, 7 p.m. Michael's On East

An Evening with Randall Goosby and Zhu Wang Dec. 8, 2022 Sarasota Opera House

PMP Winter Residency Dec. 26, 2022-Jan. 7, 2023 USF Sarasota-Manatee and Sarasota Opera House

PMP Alumni weeks February and March 2023 Various locations

Molly Carr and Anna Petrova April 2023 Various locations

THE POPS ORCHESTRA thepopsorchestra.org

(941) 926-7677

The Pops Orchestra's 47th season features spirituals, gospel tunes, and patriotic music for a Veterans Day show, Hollywood film scores for holiday pleasure, the Beatles for Valentine's Day, and Judy Garland for a grand finale.

The Spirit of America Nov. 6, 2022, 3 p.m. Nov. 7, 2022, 7:30 p.m.

Hollywood Holidays Dec. 11, 2022, 3 p.m. Dec. 12, 2022, 7:30 p.m.

All You Need Is Love Feb. 11 and 13, 2023, 7:30 p.m. Feb. 12, 2023, 3 p.m.

Come On Get Happy March 26, 2023, 3 p.m. March 27, 2023, 7:30 p.m.

RING SARASOTA

ringsarasota.org (941) 451-7601

Ring Sarasota, the area's premier handbell ensemble, is making music throughout the Gulf Coast. With a passion for playing, these spirited musicians captivate



Violins and Hope

audiences age 7 to 77 with a unique combination of entertainment, education and community engagement.

SARASOTA CHORAL SOCIETY

sarasotachoralsociety.org

The Sarasota Choral Society is a 501.c.3 not-for-profit charitable organization founded to support choral activities of all kind. The group was loosely organized in the mid-1930s, took its present form and started performing Handel's *Messiah* in 1944. Membership is open to anyone interested in music, choral singing in particular.

SARASOTA CHORUS OF THE KEYS

chorusofthekeys.org

The Sarasota Chorus of The Keys is an acapella chorus that sings four-part harmony in the familiar, soul-satisfying, chord-ringing barbershop style. The Chorus is committed to delivering excellence in its musical performances. The Chorus and its associated Quartets have been singing and performing in the greater Sarasota area for 70 years.

SARASOTA CONCERT ASSOCIATION

scasarasota.org (941) 225-6500

The SCA presents two relevant and engaging musical series from December to April. The Great Performers Series brings worldclass orchestras, chamber groups, and soloists to the Van Wezel Performing Arts Hall and the Riverview Performing Arts Center. Music Matinees feature outstanding regional artists in free community concerts at Beatrice Friedman Symphony Center.

A Chanticleer Christmas Nov. 29, 2022, 7:30 p.m.

National Philharmonic Orchestra of Ukraine Jan. 18, 2023, 7:30 p.m.

Emerson String Quartet Jan. 30, 2023, 7:30 p.m.

Pianist Awadagin Pratt Feb. 15, 2023, 7:30 p.m.

Chicago Symphony Orchestra with Riccardo Muti March 1, 2023, 7:30 p.m.

English Chamber Orchestra March 12, 2023, 7:30 p.m. 10

Bomsori Kim



Buffalo Philharmonic with Joann Falletta March 27, 2023, 7:30 p.m.

SARASOTA CONCERT BAND

sarasotaconcertband.org (941) 650-1177

A professional level symphonic band, consisting of woodwinds , brass and percussion. Its roots go back to the circus bands of John Ringling. The band plays a variety of music including American patriotic music, marches, jazz, pop, classical orchestra transcriptions and original band compositions. With a strong commitment to music education, the band has a summer camp and five-county Honor Band program.

SARASOTA JEWISH CHORALE

sarasotajewishchorale.org (941) 355-8011 The Sarasota Jewish Chorale is a spirited ensemble of more than 30 volunteer singers dedicated to sharing their rich and diverse musical heritage with the greater Sarasota community, young and old. The Chorale will present their annual Spring Concert on March 19, 2023.

SARASOTA MUSIC ARCHIVE

sarasotamusicarchive.org (941) 861-1168

The Sarasota Music Archive is part of the Sarasota County Library System, and is connected to the Special Collections Department of the Selby Public Library. It is one of the leading reference collections in the field of music, containing a cache of several hundred thousand recordings, tapes, sheet music, books and memorabilia.

SARASOTA MUSIC CLUB

sarasotamusicclub.org (941) 925-3602

Sarasota Music Club, founded in 1930, promotes music performance and education. The club offers a season of monthly concerts by professional musicians that are free and open to the public, supported by membership dues and donations. Sarasota Music Club's traditional annual music scholarships are now offered through Suncoast Music Scholarships, a partnership with Artist Series Concerts of Sarasota.

SARASOTA OPERA

sarasotaopera.org (941) 328-1300

Sarasota Opera produces outstanding opera true to the vision of the composer to entertain, enrich, and educate our communities, as well as patrons from across the state and around the world.

SARASOTA OPERA GUILD

sarasotaopera.org/ sarasota-opera-guild (312) 502-3337

The Sarasota Opera Guild supports Sarasota Opera through educational and entertaining events. Morning Social and Singers meetings are free and include refreshments and performances by Sarasota Opera singers. Prologues provide insightful background on this season's opera performances.

Social and Singers

Through March 21, 2023 Third Tuesday at 10 a.m.

Monday Night Opera Prologues

The Secret Marriage Oct. 24, 2022, 7 p.m.

DON'T MISS THIS...

The Sarasota Concert Association Great Performers Series welcomes the renowned Emerson String Quartet on its farewell concert tour after 47 years, on Jan. 30, 2023. Also making a final appearance as music director of the Chicago Symphony Orchestra: Riccardo Muti, March 1, 2023. scasarasota.org

Madama Butterfly Jan. 16, 2023, 7 p.m.

Don Giovanni Jan. 23, 2023, 7 p.m.

Ernani Jan. 30, 2023, 7 p.m.

Therese Feb/ 6, 2023, 7 p.m.

SARASOTA ORCHESTRA

sarasotaorchestra.org (941) 953-4252

Since 1949, Sarasota Orchestra has inspired and entertained music lovers across the region and visitors from around the world. A cultural leader in a city known for its vibrant arts community. Sarasota Orchestra's threefold mission is dedicated to exquisite performance and first-class musical education. As the oldest continuing orchestra in the state of Florida, each year the 76-member Orchestra performs more than 100 classical, pops, chamber music, and community outreach concerts.

STRINGS CON BRIO

stringsconbrio.org (941) 677-3291

Strings Con Brio is a 60-member community string orchestra that engages musicians of varying ages and abilities from student through the professional level. Visit stringsconbrio.org/events for more details and 2023 concert information.

Fall Concert Nov. 17, 2022, 7 p.m.

Holiday Concert

Dec. 18, 2022, Time TBA

SUNCOAST CONCERT BAND

suncoastconcertband.org (941) 907-4123

Suncoast Concert Band, a volunteer, nonprofit organization, seeks to provide challenging performance opportunities for adult amateur and professional musicians; to offer cultural and historical enrichment to Sarasota and Manatee counties; and to bring the joy of music to the community through a series of entertaining, lowcost concerts.

VENETIAN HARMONY CHORUS

venetianharmony.com (941) 480-1480

Venetian Harmony is a nonprofit chorus of women singers who sing a cappella music in the barbershop style. An affiliate of Sweet Adelines International, the chorus performs a Christmas show and a spring show.

THE VENICE CHORALE

thevenicechorale.org (941) 220-5126

The Venice Chorale is celebrating 20 Years of Harmony! The 2022-23 concert season takes place at the Venice Performing Arts Center. All performances will include members from the Youth Chorus (grades 4th-8th) and Apprentice Program (8th-12th).

Holiday Harmony-Jingle All the Way! Dec. 11, 2022, 7 p.m.

Peace & Harmony-What the World Needs Now Feb. 19, 2023, 7 p.m.

Showstopping Harmony-From Broadway to Opera April 23, 2023, 7 p.m.

VENICE CONCERT BAND

veniceconcertband.com (941) 356-0191

The Venice Concert Band has been sharing its love of band music since 1988, offering a

Yo-Yo Ma performs

March 2, 2023, in

a special Sarasota

Orchestra concert.

wide variety of music. Many band members are current or former music teachers and band directors. The band presents six concerts each season at the Venice Performing Arts Center.

American Proud Nov. 7, 2022, 7 p.m.

Holiday Splendor Dec. 5, 2022, 7 p.m.

Somewhere Out There Jan. 23, 2023, 7 p.m.

Step By Step Feb. 20, 2023, 7 p.m.

Conflicts March 20, 2023, 7 p.m.

If Not For Music April 24, 2023, 7 p.m.

VENICE MUSICALE venicemusicale.org (941) 488-4902 Venice Musicale is a nonprofit, non-sectarian membership organization dedicated to presenting quality music to the public free of charge and encouraging young area musicians by awarding scholarships for summer music camps, firstyear college performance studies, or private lessons.

THE VENICE SYMPHONY

thevenicesymphony.org (941) 207-8822

Founded in 1974, The Venice Symphony is a professional orchestra led by music director Troy Quinn, offering concerts from November through April at the Venice Performing Arts Center with renowned guest artists.

Tchaik Strikes! Nov. 18, 2022, 7:30 p.m. Nov. 19, 2022, 3:30 p.m.

A Holiday Season Spectacular with the Key Chorale Dec. 16-17, 2022, 7:30 p.m. Dec. 17, 2022, 3:30 p.m.

Night at the Museum Jan. 6-7, 2023, 7:30 p.m. Jan. 7, 2023, 3:30 p.m.

Cinematic Romance with Violinist Sandy Cameron Feb. 3-4, 2023, 7:30 p.m. Feb. 4, 2023, 3:30 p.m.

The Movie Maestro: A Tribute to John Williams Feb. 24-25, 7:30 p.m. Feb. 25, 2023, 3:30 p.m.

A Celtic Celebration with Vocalist/Harpist Orla Fallon March 17, 2023, 7:30 p.m. March 18, 2023, 3:30 p.m.

Fairytales and Flutes with Flutist Jim Walker April 21, 2023, 7:30 p.m. April 22, 2023, 3:30 p.m.

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DANC

Helping to put Sarasota on the national map as a dance force, the Sarasota Ballet, performing for more than 30 seasons, has enjoyed a burst of energy and creativity over the past few years under the leadership of director Iain Webb and his wife, former principal dancer at Sadler's Wells Royal Ballet Margaret Barbieri.

The duo has brought international choreographers to create new works here, along with renowned guest dancers, and the company has performed to acclaim at the Kennedy Center in Washington D.C., Jacob's Pillow in Massachusetts and the Joyce Theatre in New York.

Meanwhile, the Sarasota Contemporary Dance company has found its niche, frequently presenting new work by emerging, talented choreographers, often of diverse backgrounds. And the Sarasota Cuban Ballet is training the next generation of dancers in the demanding Cuban school method, building on decades of tradition. The many forms of artistic expression in motion delight local dance lovers.

FOR INFORMATION ON DANCE GROUPS AND EVENTS, VISIT SARASOTAARTS.O



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SARASOTA BALLET sarasotaballet.org

(941) 359-0099

The Sarasota Ballet enters its 2022-2023 season with an exciting range of repertoire, including many ballets by some of the most celebrated and prestigious choreographers and composers of the ballet world. Under the leadership of lain Webb, The Sarasota Ballet has achieved national and international critical acclaim. Program 1 - Premieres Oct. 21-23, 2022

Program 2 - Expressions Nov. 18-19, 2022

Program 3 - At Night Dec. 16-17, 2022

Program 4 - In Rep Jan. 27-30, 2023 Program 5 - Dance Theatre of Harlem Feb. 24-27, 2023

Program 6 - La Sylphide March 24-25, 2023

Program 7 - Tribute to Balanchine April 28-29, 2023

Sarasota Contemporary Dance

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SARASOTA CONTEMPORARY DANCE

sarasotacontemporary dance.org (941) 260-8485

SCD is stepping forward with confidence into its 17th season, "RECLAIM." A testament to the company's growth and arts advocacy, SCD's 17th season seeks to reclaim the stage, stories, and the spirit of the company in a performance season devoted to empowerment, collaboration, and forward motion.

Sarasota Contemporary Dance 17th Season: RECLAIM

Cook Theatre at FSU Center for Performing Arts

Voices: Rising Choreographers

Oct. 13-15, 2022, 7 p.m. Oct. 16, 2022, 3 p.m.

SCD + enSRQ Dec. 1-3, 2022, 7 p.m. Dec. 4, 2022, 3 p.m.

Dance Makers

Jan. 26-28, 2023, 7 p.m. Jan. 29, 2023, 3 p.m.

Evolving/Revolving: Jehanne April 27-29, 2023, 7 p.m. April 30, 2023, 3 p.m.

SARASOTA CUBAN BALLET SCHOOL

srqcubanballet.org (941) 365-8400

On Dec. 3, 2022, the Sarasota Cuban Ballet School presents *The Nutcracker* at the Sarasota Opera House. The scenery and costumes were conceived exclusively for the school by theater designer Steve Rubin, and the traditional choreography is performed by the school's award-winning pre-professional dancers.

Sarasota Cuban Ballet School



The Nutcracker Dec. 3, 2022, 7 p.m.

Coppelia Spring 2023

On Stage 2023 July 29, 2023, 7:30 p.m.

DON'T MISS THIS...

The Sarasota Ballet has a hit on its hands with its holiday performances of Sir Frederick Ashton's *Les Patineurs*, depicting a Victorian skating party on a frozen pond. The company has performed the piece at the Kennedy Center and will reprise it here Dec. 16 and 17. sarasotballet.org

A dancer of the Sarasota Ballet. All the world's a stage, particularly in theater-hungry Sarasota. Alongside long-established Equity theater companies like Asolo Rep and Florida Studio Theatre, professional companies with specific missions also suit a wide range of audiences. Westcoast Black Theatre Troupe focuses on African-American works and experiences, while the intimate Urbanite Theatre delivers often cutting-edge, contemporary pieces not seen elsewhere in town.

Several community theaters offer homegrown talent the chance to shine in the spotlight while pleasing viewers with season slates often heavy on musicals. The Van Wezel Performing Arts Hall presents a vibrant lineup of touring Broadway musicals each year. And play development programs at several theaters here give budding or established playwrights a forum for their works, too. We've even seen world premieres launch from here to Broadway and beyond. Curtain up!

Florida Studio Theatre's *Reel Music*

FOR INFORMATION ON THEATER GROUPS AND EVENTS, VISIT SARASOTAARTS.ORG.



ASOLO REPERTORY THEATRE

asolorep.org (941) 351-8000

Asolo Repertory Theatre is recognized as one of the premier professional regional theatres in America and one of the largest in the Southeastern United States. Asolo Rep's Broadway-caliber musicals and plays feature a highly skilled acting company and extensive craftsmanship that is made in Sarasota. *Cabaret* Nov. 16-Dec. 31, 2022

Ken Ludwig's The Three Musketeers Jan. 11-March 26, 2023

Silent Sky Jan. 19-March 5, 2023

Chicken & Biscuits Feb. 15-April 13, 2023

Incident at Our Lady of Perpetual Help March 15-April 22, 2023 *Man of La Mancha* May 10-June 11, 2023

FLORIDA STUDIO THEATRE

floridastudiotheatre.org (941) 366-9000

Florida Studio Theatre is Sarasota's contemporary theatre, serving more than 230,000 attendees annually through its programs: Mainstage, Cabaret, Stage III, Children's Theatre, FST School, New Play Develop-



Van Wezel Performing Arts Hall

ment, and Improv. Whether you're a local or just in town for the weekend, FST has something for everyone.

Something Rotten! Nov. 9, 2022-Jan. 1, 2023 Dates and times vary

Winter Mainstage #2 Dec. 7, 2022-Feb. 25, 2023 Dates and times vary

Network

Jan. 25, 2023-March 19, 2023 Dates and times vary

Winter Mainstage #4 April 5, 2023-May 27, 2023 Dates and times vary

The 70s: More Than a Decade Oct. 5, 2022-Feb. 12, 2023 Dates and times vary

You Can Feel It All Over: A Tribute to the Music of Stevie Wonder Nov. 16, 2022-March 26, 2023 Dates and times vary

The Players

Centre for

Performing Arts *Reel Music* Feb. 15, 2023-June 25, 2023 Dates and times vary

Charlotte's Web Oct. 1, 2022-Nov. 6, 2022 Dates and time vary

Deck the Halls Dec. 3-18, 2022 Dates and times vary

The Lion, The Witch, and The Wardrobe Jan. 14, 2023-Feb. 19, 2023 Dates and times vary

The Last Acorn & Other Winning Plays March 25, 2023-April 30, 2023 Dates and times vary

FST Improv performs Saturday nights in FST's Bowne's Lab Theatre Oct. 1, 2022-Jan. 14, 2023,

at 7:30 p.m. Jan. 21-April 1, 2023, at 8:30 p.m.



DID YOU KNOW?

The Players Centre for Performing Arts is the oldest performing arts organization in Sarasota, now presenting its 93rd season. After moving out of its longtime home on North Tamiami Trail, it is now working to plan a future space, possibly at the Sarasota Municipal Auditorium. theplayers.org

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THE PLAYERS CENTRE FOR PERFORMING ARTS theplayers.org

theplayers.org (941) 365-2494

The Players Centre, Sarasota's original theatre, announces its 93rd season of shows that explore finding purpose, the universal desire to live a life that matters, to fully appreciate aspiration.

Little Shop of Horrors Oct. 6-16, 2022 Dates and times vary

If I Can Dream with Matthew Rojas Oct. 21-22, 2022, 7:30 p.m.

The Legend of Sleepy Hollow Oct. 27-29, 2022 Times vary

Rhapsody For Golda Nov. 10-13, 2022 Times vary

Miracle on 34th Street: A Live Musical Radio Play Dec. 1-11, 2022 Dates and time vary

Proof Jan. 12-22, 2023 Dates and times vary

Silly Love Songs with Jimmy Mazz Feb. 14, 2023, 7:30 p.m.





Rise Above's Shrek: The Musical



Mark Twain: They Asked Me to be Brief Feb. 16-18, 2023, 7 p.m.

Always...Patsy Cline Feb. 2-12, 2023 Dates and times vary

Godspell March 9-18, 2023 Dates and times vary

RISE ABOVE PERFORMING ARTS

riseabovearts.com (941) 822-9279

Rise Above is an engaging and unique theatrical encounter with the performing arts, with a full season of musicals for the entire family.

Fame the Musical Oct. 27-29, Nov. 3-5, 2022, 7:30 p.m. Oct. 30, Nov. 5, 2022, 2 p.m.

Little Women Jan. 19-21, 26-28, 2023, 7^{:20} pm

7:30 p.m. Jan. 22, 29, 2023, 2 p.m.

Pippin

Feb. 23-25, March 2-4, 2023, 7:30 p.m. Feb. 26, March 5, 2023, 2 p.m. **13 the Musical** May 11-13, 18-20, 2023, 7:30 p.m. May 21, 2023, 2 p.m.

THEATRE ODYSSEY

theatreodyssey.org (941) 799-7224

Theatre Odyssey has been presenting original short plays since 2006. Many playwrights whose work was first presented here have been also been produced nationally and internationally. All three festivals this season will be held at the Asolo's Jane B Cook Theatre in Sarasota.

Theatre Odyssey One-Act Play Festival Oct. 6-8, 2022, 7:30 p.m. Oct. 9, 2022, 2 p.m.

Theatre Odyssey Eleventh Annual Student Ten-Minute Playwriting Festival Feb. 4, 2023, 7:30 p.m. Feb. 5, 2023, 2 p.m.

Theatre Odyssey Eighteenth Annual Ten-Minute Play Festival May 11-13, 2023, 7:30 p.m. May 14, 2023, 2 p.m.

URBANITE THEATRE

urbanitetheatre.com (941) 921-1397

Urbanite Theatre is committed to creating visceral, shared experiences by fearlessly lifting up the boldest new voices in theatre. They believe in inclusive, artist-first storytelling, daring honesty, and the powerful connectivity of an intimate space.

The Burdens Oct. 21-Nov. 27, 2022

Birds of North America Jan. 6-Feb. 12, 2023 Backwards Forwards Back, a world premiere March 24-April 23, 2023

That Must Be the Entrance to Heaven, a world premiere June 9-July 9, 2023

2023 Modern Works Festival May 3-7, 2023

VAN WEZEL PERFORMING ARTS HALL

vanwezel.org (941) 263-6799

Located by the beautiful Bay, the Van Wezel Performing Arts Hall is Sarasota's leading performing arts venue. Whether it's Broadway, musical concerts, ballet or comedy, the Van Wezel strives to present a broad spectrum of the world's finest performers.

My Fair Lady Dec. 13-15, 2022, 7:30 p.m.

Legally Blonde -The Musical Jan. 4-5, 2023, 7:30 p.m.

Riverdance 25th Anniversary Show Jan. 10-12, 2023, 7:30 p.m.





WBTT's Black Nativity

Disney's Aladdin

Jan. 24-27, 2023, 7:30 p.m. Jan. 28, 2023, 2:00 p.m. Jan. 28, 2023, 7:30 p.m. Jan. 29, 2023, 1:00 p.m. Jan. 29, 2023, 6:30 p.m.

Blue Man Group Jan. 31-Feb. 1, 2023, 7:30 p.m.

Tootsie Feb. 13-15, 2023, 7:30 p.m.

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On Your Feet! March 14-15, 2023, 7:30 p.m.

Mean Girls

April 11-14, 2023, 7:30 p.m. April 15, 2023, 2 p.m. April 15, 2023, 7:30 p.m. April 16, 2023, 1 p.m. April 16, 2023, 6:30 p.m.

CATS

April 18-20, 2023, 7:30 p.m.

DID YOU KNOW?

Westcoast Black Theatre Troupe was the subject of a 2020 PSB documentary, *This Light of Mine*, that detailed how artistic director Nate Jacobs' dream of creating a company devoted to the Black experience came true. You can find it online at wedu.org/ shows/documentaries.

VENICE THEATRE venicetheatre.org

(941) 488-1115

For more than 70 years, Venice Theatre has gathered folks together in small spaces and large. Together the community has shared uproarious comedies, foot-stomping musicals, and wrenching dramas...often close reflections of our own true lives. Venice Theatre's 73rd season brings a real reflection of our lives and dreams: nostalgia and laughter, deep thoughts and great music, the familiar and the new.

The Jervey 5

A series of Broadwaycaliber musicals, comedies and dramas in the 432-seat MainStage Jervey Theatre

The Revolutionists Through Oct. 2, 2022

Kinky Boots Oct. 21-Nov. 20, 2022

Up On the Roof Jan. 13-Feb. 5, 2023 *Gypsy: A Musical Fable* Feb. 24-March 26, 2023

Death of a Salesman April 28-May 14, 2023

Stage 2

A series of thoughtprovoking productions presented in the intimate 90-seat Pinkerton Theatre

The Cemetery Club Jan. 20-Feb. 12, 2023

Roe March 3-19, 2023

Lizzie Stranton May 5-21, 2023

WESTCOAST BLACK THEATRE TROUPE

westcoastblacktheatre.org (941) 366-1505

The company's mission is to produce professional theatre that promotes and celebrates African-American history and experience, engages a broad base of patrons and audiences, supports the development of a dynamic group of aspiring artists, and builds self-esteem in youth of color.

Guys and Dolls

Oct. 5-Nov. 20, 2022 Dates and times vary

Black Nativity Nov. 30, 2022-Dec. 23, 2022 Dates and times vary

Flyin' West Jan. 4, 2023-February 12, 2023 Dates and times vary

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr: Celebrating His Legacy Jan. 16, 2023, 7:30 p.m.

Dreamgirls Feb. 22-April 9, 2023 Dates and times vary

Big Sexy April 19-May 28, 2023 Dates and times vary



Ever since the John & Mable Ringling Museum of Art opened its doors, back in 1930, there has been an enduring connection with the visual arts in Sarasota. (Actually, to be fair, Art Center Sarasota was here first, dating to 1926, when the town had only a few thousand residents. Even then, some of them loved painting, sculpting and other forms of creation enough to want to bring artists together.)

Of course, The Ringling has long dominated the scene, with its expansive collection of Baroque paintings by the likes of Rubens. (The museum also is home to antiquities, modern and Asian art as well.) A few years ago, another museum was added to the map when the Sarasota Art Museum of Ringling College opened as a venue for temporary exhibitions of contemporary art.

Outside of museums, commercial and nonprofit art galleries present regular exhibitions and opportunities for acquisition. Community art centers offer not only shows, but plentiful classes and demonstrations aimed at every level of experience.

And let's not forget the history of the Sarasota "colony" who helped to make it such an arts town, especially during the post-World War II era, when an impressive group of artists, often with international reputations, worked and played here. The energy continues today.

ARTS ADVOCATES artsadvocates.org

(941) 330-0680

Dedicated to inspiring creativity, advancing education, and connecting the community to the arts, this group sponsors lectures and cultural programs, and awards scholarships to students pursuing careers in the arts. Arts Advocates has the largest collection of Sarasota Art Colony artworks on exhibit at the Arts Advocates Gallery and in the Van Wezel Performing Arts Hall.



International Society of Scratchboard Artists (ISSA) *12x12 Off The Wall* Nov. 30-Dec. 30, 2022

ArtFul Holidays Party & Sale LiveArtfully Market Dec. 1-3, 2022

LiveArtfully Holiday Extravaganza Holiday décor and ornaments handmade by local artists, in the Searle Gallery Nov. 30-Dec. 28, 2022

Art of the Soul Jan. 4-27, 2023

International Watercolor Society Florida USA Florida Suncoast Watercolor Society Feb. 28-March 21, 2023

Women Contemporary Artists Bold Touch April 25-May 19, 2023

Emerging Artist Pride May 23-June 23, 2023

ART CENTER SARASOTA

artsarasota.org (941) 365-2032

Art Center Sarasota provides Sarasota with opportunities for creative expression and art appreciation through art education, exhibitions and cultural programs. Founded in 1926, the center engages the regional artistic community by connecting artists, art enthusiasts and the visual arts. Galleries are free to the public; hours are Monday through Friday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturdays noon to 5 p.m.

Solo Shows: Mary GrandPre; Elizabeth Barenis Curated Group Show: New College Juried Show: *The Figure* Oct. 20-Nov. 26, 2022

Solo Shows: Alex Hammond; Jason Hackenwerth Curated Group Show: Holiday Shop Juried Show: *Black & White* Dec. 8, 2022-Jan. 21, 2023

Solo Shows: Luca Molnar; Eugene Ofori Agyei; Marlon Tobias Juried Show: *Annual Members Show* Feb. 2-March 11, 2023

Solo Shows: Jeanne Guertin-Potoff; Rebecca Zweibel; Karen Arango Juried Show: *Large Scale* March 23-April 29, 2023

North Sarasota County Schools Show May 9- 20, 2023 Evening Hours: May 16 and 18, 5- 7 p.m.

Annual Juried Regional Juried Show June 1-Aug. 5, 2023

Solo Shows: Lauren Mann; Iren Tete; Ry McCullough Juried Show: *An Abstract View* Aug. 24-Sept. 30, 2023

ART IN COMMON PLACES

artincommonplaces.com

Combining original art and poetry, Art in Common Places posters and postcards are found in such venues as laundromats, medical offices, libraries and dozens of other locations in Sarasota County.

EMBRACING OUR DIFFERENCES

embracingourdifferences.org (941) 404-5710

Embracing Our Differences is a nonprofit organization based in Sarasota that uses the power of art and

DON'T MISS THIS...

The Kotler-Coville Glass Pavilion at the John & Mable Ringling Museum of Art, featuring about 60 pieces of modern glass art, is absolutely free to visit—whether you tour the rest of the museum or not. ringling.org

ARTCENTER MANATEE

artcentermanatee.org (941) 746-2862

ArtCenter Manatee, founded in 1937, is the premier center for art, Courtyard.

The **Ringling**

art education and unique gifts in Manatee County. The Center features three galleries with exhibits that change monthly, free opening receptions, five classrooms, dedicated jewelry and pottery studios, and LiveArtFully featuring unique, handcrafted gifts.

Color Outside the Lines An open, all media, juried exhibit Oct. 4-Oct. 28, 2022

Raymond Lawler, Tales of A Traveler Where The HeArt Grows Nov. 1-Nov. 28, 2022



Marjorie Sayer's At the Beach at Women Contemporary Artists.



education to expand consciousness and open the heart to celebrate the diversity of the human family. It accomplishes this through an annual, large-scale, juried art exhibition and a comprehensive series of educational initiatives, programs and resources designed for teachers and students.

Embracing Our Differences' Annual Outdoor Exhibit Jan. 18-March 12, 2023

ENGLEWOOD ART CENTER

Ringling College of Continuing Studies ringling.edu/eac

A division of Ringling College Continuing Studies, the Englewood Art Center (EAC) focuses on education, exhibitions and events. EAC serves as a nexus for artists and audiences to inspire creativity, exchange ideas, endorse imagination, and encourage creative growth. In addition to four galleries for exhibitions, there are two 2D studio classrooms, a ceramics studio, a digital media studio and a lending library. Classes offered onsite at EAC in south county Sarasota.

FLORIDA SUNCOAST WATERCOLOR SOCIETY (FSWS)

suncoastwatercolor society.online (941) 792-0608

The Florida Suncoast Watercolor Society was formed in 1983 and has more than 200 members, many of whom have achieved statewide and national recognition for their works. It serves members who live along the Florida Gulf coast. FSWS was formed to foster the advancement of and promote excellence in the art of watercolor painting, and to to inform and educate through exhibitions, lectures and painting demonstrations.

ISLAND GALLERY WEST

islandgallerywest.com (941) 778-6648

In April 1990, Island Gallery West was created by a small core group of local artists on Anna Maria Island. The gallery has evolved into a successful artists' cooperative of nearly 30 members, offering paintings, drawings, photographs, mixed media, ceramic arts, pottery, decorative tiles, jewelry, glass mosaics and much more. The work of a different artist or group is featured each month. The gallery is staffed by member artists.

HALO ARTS PROJECT

haloartsproject.com (941) 328-8052

Halo Arts Project, Inc. exists to provide financial resources to visual artists in Southwest Florida.

Calling All Artists: Participate - Paint -Sculpt - Create Oct. 1-Dec. 15, 2022

Justified + Ancient exhibit Premier Preview Event "A Formal Affair" Oct. 27, 2022, 6-8 p.m.

Grand Opening Oct. 28, 2022, 5:30-7:30 p.m. Exhibit runs Nov. 1-17, 2022

ANGELS FOR ARTISTS Online & LIVE Art Auction Jan. 26, 2023, 5:30-8 p.m.

LIGHT CHASERS: PLEIN AIR PAINTERS OF THE SUNCOAST, INC. lightchasersinc@gmail.com

Light Chasers was organized to foster education, participation, appreciation and exhibition opportunities for plein air painters. It is a 100 percent volunteer nonprofit corporation providing weekly paint outs, yearly shows and contests, and painting demonstrations by professional artists, for over a decade. All shows and events take place at Phillippi Estate Park.

Light Chasers 7th Annual Quick Draw Contest Dec. 7, 2022, 8:30 a.m.

Light Chasers 9th Paint Sarasota Paint Out Feb. 12-19, 2023

Light Chasers 11th Annual Members Show March 1, 2023, 1-7 p.m. March 2, 2023, noon-6 p.m.



MARIETTA MUSEUM OF ART & WHIMSY whimsymuseum.org

(941) 364-3399

The museum's mission is to operate an extraordinary art and whimsical museum for the public by collecting, preserving and exhibiting works of artistic and whimsical importance to educate visitors about our culture and history. It's an environment created to inspire, restore and lift spirits.

Grand Reopening Nov. 26, 2022

MIANO ACADEMY OF ART (FORMERLY SOUTHERN ATELIER) mianoacademy.org

(941) 753-7755

Miano Academy is a Classical Realism art school, or atelier, one of less than 100 certified ateliers in the world. Academy leaders believe in and advocate for the preservation of techniques and principles passed down through generations of lineage since the Renaissance. Miano Academy provides education for artists of all ages and levels and invites a new generation of artists to carry on the legacy of progressive Realism through workshops, online classes and seminars, as well as the Apprenticeship, a full-time guild-style program. The academy is dedicated to the education of the beauty and truth in nature.

NORTH PORT

northportartcenter.com (941) 423-6460

The mission of the North Port Art Center is to ignite inner emotion and outward excitement for the arts, promoting cultural development and sharing the healing power of self-expression through art exhibitions and education.

THE PARRISH ARTS COUNCIL

parrishartscouncil.org (941) 254-1774

A local art organization with members from all over Manatee County. The council organizes the

Above: *Justified + Ancient* from Halo Arts Project; Below: Embracing Our Differences is an annual exhibit.



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annual two-day East2West Art Market every fall and invites all artist to participate. There are several activities throughout the year for members and the community.

East2West Art Market

Nov. 19-20, 2022, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

Paint Around Oct. 15, 2022, 2- 4 p.m.

PETTICOAT PAINTERS

petticoatpainters.com

The Petticoat Painters is one of the oldest continuously exhibiting women's art groups in the U.S. Each artist has a firm commitment to moving beyond the boundaries of materials, of techniques, of standard images and preconceived notions.

THE RINGLING/ THE JOHN AND MABLE RINGLING MUSEUM OF ART

ringling.org (941) 359-5700

Founded by John and Mable Rinalina in the 1920s. The Ringling, in its Renaissance design, incorporates 21 art galleries filled with works by the Old Masters, including Rubens, Van Dyck and El Greco. It is also home to a Skyspace by lames Turrell. medieval and ancient obiects, collections of modern and contemporary art and photography, a Center for Asian Art, a circus museum and the Ringlings' mansion, Ca'd'Zan. Under the governance of Florida State University, the museum presents changing and permanent exhibitions, live

performances and frequent talks and lectures.

GALLERIES OF RINGLING COLLEGE

ringlingcollege.gallery (941) 359-7563

The Galleries + Exhibitions program of Ringling College of Art and Design includes exhibitions and activities that

DID YOU KNOW?

The Sarasota Art Museum, a space presenting contemporary and modern exhibitions, was for decades the home of Sarasota High School.

The 1928 Collegiate Gothic-style building was extensively restored and repurposed and opened its doors in 2019. sarasotaartmuseum.org celebrate the work and production of students, faculty and alumni. Six on-campus galleries host solo, group and thematic exhibitions that include locally, nationally and internationally known artists. With rotating programming, there is always a new exhibition. artist talk. lecture or event to attend. As one of the most visible and active avenues of engagement with the broader Sarasota community, the galleries' goal is to celebrate art as a vital part of the human experience and make the case for why creativity matters.

SARASOTA ART MUSEUM

sarasotaartmuseum.org (941) 309-4300

Xaviera Simmons: The structure the labor

> The Sarasota Art Museum.

Jorge Enrique Fernandez Villalba's Peru at Art Center Manatee.

the foundation the escape the pause On view until November 2022

Steven and William Ladd: Lead With a Laugh On view through Feb. 5. 2023

Hank Willis Thomas: Ernest and Ruth (Exuberant Pink) On view through August 2023

Molly Hatch: Staccato On view through September 2024

Journeys to Places Known and Unknown: Moving Images by Janet Biggs and peter campus Oct. 2, 2022-Jan. 15, 2023

National Scrollathon: Florida Oct. 16, 2022-Feb. 5, 2023

Richard Benson: The World is Smarter Than You Are Feb. 5-May 7, 2023

Sara Berman's Closet Feb. 5-May 7. 2023

A Beautiful Mess Feb. 25-June 25, 2023

The New Black Vanguard: Photography Between Art and Fashion May 28-Sept. 17, 2023

Stephanie Woods May 28-Sept. 17, 2023

Color|Joy|Eric Carle June 11-Sept. 17, 2023

Chakaia Booker July 16-Oct. 29, 2023

Carlos Bunga July 23-Oct. 29, 2023

SARASOTA STUDIO ARTISTS ASSOCIATION srgartists.com

Complementing Sarasota's rich history of arts and cul-



ture, this growing community of artist studios provides an interactive experience for visitors to meet artists, learn about their creative inspiration, and directly purchase exceptional art.

Second Saturday **Open Studios** October 2022-May 2023, 11 a.m.-3 p.m.

SARTO ARTIST COLLÈCTIVE

sartq.com

SARTQ, Sarasota's local popular artist collective whose name underscores their connection to the region. was founded and formed in early 2008 by local artists Tim Jaeger and Joseph Arnegger. The collective

quickly expanded and gained the attention of many local enthusiasts. SARTO aims to maintain a network of accomplished Sarasota artists, manage exhibitions and events, and collaborate with the community.

SARTQ Print Party at Art Central

Nov. 5, 2022, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

SUNCOAST BLACK **ARTS COLLABORATIVE**

suncoastblackarts collaborative.org

The Suncoast Black Arts Collaborative advocates for greater exposure to artists of African descent throughout the Suncoast Arts community. Visions in Black is a juried art exhibition celebrat-

ing the talents of artists who reside in the state of Florida.

Visions In Black Exhibitions Jan. 31-Feb. 25, 2023

TOWLES COURT ART DISTRICT towlescourt.com

Stop by and visit working artists in their studios, located in a historic courtyard of old Sarasota. For more info on each artist. visit the website. Personalized individual appointments are also available.

VENICE ART CENTER

veniceartcenter com (941) 485-7136

During the 1970s and 1980s, the Venice area experienced tremendous growth. It became apparent that the original Art Center sorely needed renovation. The name was changed to "The Venice Art Center, Inc." and by 1993 "The Friends of the Venice Art Center" had been created to assist with programs and funding. Following groundbreaking in January 1996, construction was completed by October. With increased classroom space available, a vigorous, supportive membership and new. flexible display galleries, the Venice Art Center proudly carries the aim of the 1958 founders "to stimulate and encourage the appreciation of art" into the future.

WOMEN CONTEMPORARY ARTISTS

womencontemporary artists.com (941) 266-1869

Women Contemporary Artists presents their annual art exhibition at Art Center Manatee, 209 Ninth St. W., Bradenton, April 25-May 19, 2023. Opening reception is April 27 from 5 to 7 p.m.

COURTESY

CENTER MANATEE

HISTORY SCIENCE & NATURE

Are you one of those who can find "heaven in a wild flower," as poet William Blake wrote? Sure, if you take a tour of Marie Selby Botanical Gardens.

Or maybe you find your answers to life's big questions elsewhere, while studying a mysterious seahorse at Mote Marine Aquarium, or even gazing into the eyes of a tiger at Sarasota's Big Cat Habitat. Perhaps a look at local history is your approach to understanding the human drive to explore and build. There are multiple sites to peer into the world of the pioneers of early Florida here. You can even branch out—way out—into the universe at a planetarium or two.

Or maybe, you just want to take a walk in one of the many parks in our system, large or small. The information here can help you get started.

FOR INFORMATION ON HISTORY, SCIENCE AND NATURE EVENTS, VISIT SARASOTAARTS.ORG.

THE ELLING EIDE CENTER ellingoeide.org

ellingoelae.org (941) 921-4304

Opening in 2016, The Elling Eide Center Research Library and Preserve provides scholars and students with opportunities to research Chinese/East Asian culture, history and art in a pristine nature preserve. The Center also hosts conferences, special lectures, and tours.

Arboretum Tour at The Elling Eide Center Every Tuesday at 10 a.m.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF SARASOTA COUNTY hsosc.com

(941) 364-9076

Visit the Bidwell-Wood House, built in 1882, where you can experience what life was like on the Florida frontier in the 19th century, and Crocker Memorial Church, which has been used for community gatherings for over a century. Lectures, tours and special events.



Marie Selby Botanical Gardens presents a Tiffany exhibit in 2023.

Sarasota Jungle Gardens

MARIE SELBY BOTANICAL GARDENS selby.org

(941) 366-5731

Marie Selby Botanical Gardens provides 45 acres of bayfront sanctuaries connecting people with air plants of the world, native nature and our regional history. Selby Gardens is composed of the 15-acre Downtown Sarasota campus and the 30-acre Historic Spanish Point campus in Osprey. The children's rainforest is a delightful, natural space for discovery, exploration, learning and play at the downtown location. The Conservation Foundation of the Gulf Coast.

Seeing the Invisible: An Augmented Reality Contemporary Art Exhibition Continuing through summer 2023 Historic Spanish Point campus

The 2022 Orchid Show: *Capturing the Perfect Shot* Oct. 15-Dec. 4, 2022 Downtown Sarasota campus

Rainforest Masks of Costa Rica Jan. 7-22, 2023 Downtown Sarasota campus

Tiffany: The Pursuit of Beauty in Nature

Feb. 12-June 25, 2023 Downtown Sarasota campus

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mote.org (941) 388-4441

Discover our wondrous oceans and meet the scientists working to save them at Mote Aquarium. Hands-on activities, lectures, eco-boat tours. Learn about your favorite sea creatures, have all of your ocean questions answered, and have an opportunity to feed and interact with some of Mote's Animal Ambassadors.

Interacting at Mote Marine.

SARASOTA COUNTY PARKS, RECREATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES

scgov.net/parks.

Over 150 park sites, including spectacular public beaches, playgrounds, boat ramps, natural areas with hiking

and biking trails, athletic fields, recreation centers and historic facilities. Plenty of opportunities for birding and wildlife observation and miles of unpaved trails for hiking, biking and horseback riding, plus concerts, farmer's markets, family events, guided walks and informative talks.

FRIENDS OF OSPREY JUNCTION TRAILHEAD ojtfriends.com

Osprey Junction Trailhead is a 10-acre Sarasota County Park natural area with woods, ponds and walking trails located next to The Legacy Trail, a paved, non-motorized, multi-purpose recreational trail extending from Venice to Sarasota.

ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES

ANNA MARIA ISLAND HISTORICAL SOCIETY amihs.org

BIG CAT HABITAT
 bigcathabitat.org
 (941) 371-6377

© THE BISHOP MUSEUM OF SCIENCE AND NATURE bishopscience.org (941) 746-4131

CONSERVATION FOUNDATION OF THE GULF COAST conservation foundation.com (941) 918-2100

CROWLEY MUSEUM & NATURE CENTER crowleyfl.org (941) 322-1000

VENICE HERITAGE veniceheritage.org (941) 237-0478

POWEL CROSLEY ESTATE bradentongulfislands .com/crosley-estate (941) 722-3244

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SARASOTA GARDEN CLUB

sarasotagardenclub.org (941) 955-0875

© SARASOTA JUNGLE GARDENS sarasotajungle gardens.com (941) 355-5305

DON'T MISS THIS...

Mote Marine resident manatees Hugh and Buffett eat lunch daily around noon (they munch on 72-84 heads of romaine lettuce every day) for the delight of aquarium visitors.

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CONTINUING EDUCATION CLASSES & LECTURES

According to auto magnate Henry Ford, "Anyone who stops learning is old, whether at twenty or eighty. Anyone who keeps learning stays young." Congratulations, Sarasota, on being forever young.

Staying alert to the possibilities of learning here is easy. If you long to keep up to date on current affairs, sign up for classes with OLLI (Osher Lifelong Learning Institute) or drop by a Sarasota Institute of Lifetime Learning (SILL) talk from an expert. Ready to finally take up a pen to write, a brush to paint or an instrument to play after a busy career spent in another field? Art demonstrations and workshops, musical training and classes covering everything from watercolor to languages to history abound. (Best of all: no term papers to write.)

You can be as casual or intense about adding to your knowledge as you like. Dip in, dip out, or find a focus. It's all out there waiting.

New College of Florida

FOR INFORMATION ON CLASSES AND LECTURES, VISIT SARASOTAARTS.ORG.

THE ELLING EIDE CENTER ellingoeide.org (941) 921-4304

The Elling Eide Center Research Library and Preserve opened its doors in the fall of 2016. It provides scholars and students with opportunities to research Chinese/ East Asian culture, history, and art in a pristine nature preserve. The Center also hosts conferences, special lectures, and tours. "Dreaming in Premodern China" Oct. 20, 11 a.m.

"The Meaning(s) of Birds on Spirit Jars (Hunping)" Nov. 10, 2022, 11 a.m.

Arboretum Tour at The Elling Eide Center Every Tuesday at 10 a.m.

LIBRARY FOUNDATION FOR SARASOTA COUNTY

sarasotalibraryfoundation.org (941) 404-3139

The mission of the Library Foundation for Sarasota County is to secure the future of our libraries as an indispensable community resource. Their annual "Love Our Libraries Author Luncheon" will feature an author TBA on Feb. 10, 2023.

NEW COLLEGE OF FLORIDA New Topics

New Topics Lecture Series ncf.edu/alumni/new-topics (941) 487-4153

A dynamic five-part lecture series showcasing regional and national speakers from a broad range of disciplines exploring topical and contemporary issues. The series runs October through April and is open to the public.

OLLI (Osher Lifelong Learning Institute)

OSHER LIFELONG LEARNING INSTITUTE (OLLI)

Ringling College Museum Campus olliringlingcollege.org (941) 309-5111

OLLI provides lifelong learners with a community where they can engage in learning for the joy of learning. OLLI offers classes with topics as varied as music, art, history, science, current events, languages and more without the pressure of credits or grades.

RINGLING COLLEGE LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

Town Hall Lecture Series rclassociation.org (941) 309-5100

Since its inception in 1981, the Town Hall lecture series has featured the world's leading spokespeople in world affairs, government, economics, business, social welfare, medicine and arts and entertainment. "Bringing influencers from the world stage to our stage in Sarasota." Maria Ressa Jan. 17, 2023,10:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.

Michael Phelps Feb. 6, 2023,10:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.

Admiral James Stavridis Feb. 27, 2023,10:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.

José Andrés March 13, 2023, 10:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.

Thomas Friedman April 3, 2023, 10:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.

SARASOTA INSTITUTE OF LIFETIME LEARNING (SILL)

sillsarasota.org (941) 365-6404

Now in its 51st year, this lecture series provides information on and discussion of the arts and contemporary global issues. Led by knowledgeable experts with a deep understanding of their respective fields of interest, the lectures are held in Sarasota, Lakewood Ranch and Venice.



DID YOU KNOW?

Nobel Peace Prize winner Maria Ressa (here Jan. 17, 2023, in the Town Hall series) has been honored for her journalistic work by *TIME* as both a "Person of the Year" and one of its "100 Most Influential People." rclassociation.org



Maria Ressa will speak in Ringling College Library Association's Town Hall Series.



Chef Jose Andres will speak in Ringling College Library Association's Town Hall Series.



Everybody loves a festival, and with its welcoming year-round balmy weather, the Sarasota area is the perfect spot for many of them.

Some focus on music, like the Bradenton Blues Festival, an annual sellout along Bradenton's Riverwalk. Others, like the Embracing Our Differences exhibit in Bayfront Park, combine both the visual arts and meaningful words inspiring understanding and diversity. This being a beachfront community, there's even an annual sand sculpting competition that draws thousands of visitors to Siesta Key to watch lovely, if ephemeral, art being created.

Best of all, these events are fun for all, from young to old, and many of them are absolutely free. Enjoy.

FOR INFORMATION ON FESTIVALS AND FAIRS, VISIT SARASOTAARTS.ORG

Fresh Fridays
First Friday of every month
Downtown Sarasota
did-sarasota.com

③ **Music on Main** First Friday of every month Main Street, Lakewood Ranch mylwr.com

Sarasota Celtic Music Festival Oct. 14-16, 2022 Motorworks Brewing, Bradenton celtoberfest.org

The Bay Grand
 Opening Festival
 Oct. 14-23, 2022
 The Bay Park, Sarasota
 thebaysarasota.org

 Wulticolor Festival at the Bay
 Oct. 22, 2022
 The Bay Park, Sarasota thebaysarasota.org

© Pavement Music Festival Oct. 28-31, 2022 Venice Airport Fairgrounds chalkfestival.org

Siesta Key Crystal
 Classic: Master Sand
 Sculpting Competition
 Nov. 11-14, 2022
 Ocean Boulevard, Siesta Key
 siestakeycrystalclassic.com

St. Armands Fall Art Festival and Sidewalk Sale Nov. 12-13, 2022, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. starmandscircleassoc.com Bradenton Blues Festival Dec. 2-3, 2022 Bradenton Riverwalk Pavilion bradentonbluesfestival.org

Avenue of Art
Exhibition
Through Dec. 31, 2022
Burns Court, Sarasota
chalkfestival.org

Embracing Our Differences Embracing Our Differences International Art Exhibit Jan. 18-March 12, 2023 Sarasota's Bayfront Park embracingourdifferences.org

The Gabe Stillman Band will perform at the Bradenton Blues Festival in December 2022

DID YOU KNOW?

The Siesta Key Crystal Classic sand sculpting competition welcomes professionals from around the world who create their sand masterpieces in just 24 sculpting hours (over four days). As many as 40,000 people attend each year. siestakey crystalclassic.com

ALWAYS WITH HEART & MIND



Downtown Sarasota (941) 366-4800 | WilliamsParker.com



ARTS COMMUNITIES & SPECIAL INTERESTS

If you're new to Sarasota or just visiting, you may find yourself pleasantly surprised at the plethora of ways to indulge your cultural leanings. If you live here year-round, chances are you're already familiar with some of the many organizations that exist due to members' and participants' special enthusiasms.

Have a yen to learn the art of Japanese flower arrangement? You can do that here. Want to meet with others of your own heritage—French, Polish, Italian and more—to share and celebrate what's unique about it? You can do that, too. Like to delve into the inner workings of humans' psychology, or do you prefer the extravagant, often thrilling spectacle that is the circus? Well, here in this longtime circus city, you can certainly do that, too.

You may end up with a fully booked calendar of experiences—and that's more than OK.

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ALLIANCE FRANCAISE DE SARASOTA

afsarasota.com (941) 955-0700

For almost 30 years, the Alliance has been serving the area for "all things French": language studies, cultural and social events, and discussion groups.

THE C.G. JUNG SOCIETY OF SARASOTA

cgjungsarasota.org (941) 952-8188

Encouraging personal growth and raising the consciousness of individuals of all ages, The Society's lectures, workshops and small groups focus on the works inspired by the psychology of C.G. Jung.

THE CIRCUS ARTS CONSERVATORY circusarts.org

(941) 355-9805

The Circus Arts Conservatory's mission is to engage and educate students using unique and innovative learning programs; to measurably improve the quality of life for individuals in care communities; and to advance the extraordinary legacy and A Summer Circus Spectacular performance from the Circus Arts Conservatory.

DID YOU KNOW?

Circus Sarasota was cofounded by longtime circus performers Dolly Jacobs and Pedro Reis (who are married) in 1997. But the history of its Sailor Circus program training youth in the circus arts dates back even farther, all the way to 1949. circusarts.org heritage of the circus. The Circus Arts Conservatory's mission underscores its commitment to sharing the entertainment, education and enrichment that circus arts provide.

COASTAL CALLIGRAPHERS GUILD

coastalcalligraphersguild.org

Coastal Calligraphers Guild is an active guild of calligraphers and lettering artists of all skill levels. Learn and discuss a wide variety of calligraphic arts at monthly meetings (September-June) and at two annual major workshops given by internationally recognized calligraphers.

The Meandering Book with Laura Stevenson Oct. 2, 2022, 1 p.m.

Envelope Addressing 101 with Erica McPhee Nov. 6, 2022, 1 p.m.

CCG Christmas & Holiday Party Dec. 4, 2022, 1 p.m. Valentine Making with Laurie Yeandel & Penny Schwan Jan. 8, 2023, 1 p.m.

The Carolingian Hand with Laurie Yeandel Feb. 5, 2023, 1 p.m.

Tangled & Illuminated Manuscript Lettering with Susan Moen March 5, 2023, 1 p.m.

Decorative & Renaissance Borders with Janet Furr April 2, 2023, 1 p.m.

The Uncial Hand | Part 1 with Fred Reckker & Jim Bennett May 7, 2023, 1 p.m.

The Uncial Hand | Part 2 with Fred Reckker & Jim Bennett June 4, 2023, 1 p.m.

CREARTE LATINO CULTURAL CENTER

creartelatino.org (941) 737-7191

A cultural exchange channel and creative hub between Latino/Hispanics and the community at large, CreArte Latino celebrates and teaches Latino/Hispanic language and culture through theater, dance, music and literature for children, adults and families.

DISCOVER SARASOTA TOURS

discoversarasotatours.com (941) 260-9818

Discover Sarasota Tours is a locally owned tour company offering entertaining, interactive and informative air-conditioned trolley or van tours about the people, places, and stories of Sarasota's rich cultural past and present. Tours include Art Crawl Gallery Tour, Public Art Tour.

FLORIDA WEST COAST BEAD SOCIETY

floridawestcoastbead society.com

Formed to promote and inspire creativity in the art of beadwork, the Society welcomes enthusiasts who want to share ideas, skills, and interest in beads.

HERMITAGE ARTIST RETREAT

hermitageartistretreat.org (941) 475-2098

The Hermitage is a multidisciplinary artist retreat dedicated to championing bold and impactful new work and supporting artists' creative processes. Audiences are offered a "sneak peek" into the works and minds of these brilliant artists through the Hermitage's community programs.

Hermitage Artist Sunset Programs

Oct. 7, 2022, 6 p.m. Oct. 14, 2022, 5:30 p.m. Oct. 21, 2022, 5:30 p.m. Oct. 28, 2022, 5:30 p.m. Nov. 17, 5 p.m.; Dec. 2, 5 p.m. Dec. 9, 5 p.m.; Dec. 15, 4 p.m. Dec. 16, 5 p.m.

Hermitage @ Booker Artist Series

Nov. 4, 2022, 5:30 p.m.

Hermitage Sunsets @ Selby Gardens Artist Series Jan. 26, 2023, 5 p.m.

March 16, 2023, 5 p.m. March 16, 2023, 6:30 p.m. May 18, 2023, 6:30 p.m.

Hermitage Greenfield Prize Weekend

April 14-16, 2023, event times vary

IKEBANA INTERNATIONAL SARASOTA CHAPTER Iisarasota.com

Discover ancient Japanese floral arranging at workshops, lectures and exhi-

bitions from September

through May.

MANASOTA WEAVERS GUILD

manasotaweaversguild.com

Open to anyone interested in the arts of loom weaving, tapestry, spinning, knitting and related fiber arts, the



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Guild holds monthly meetings, special workshops, and exhibitions.

THE POLISH-AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF SARASOTA, INC.

polishsarasota.org (941) 313-2243

Through educational, charitable and musical activities, the organization informs and promotes the history, heritage and culture of Polish-Americans. Yearly classical music concerts present the great composers of Poland.

Annual General Casimir Pulaski Day Celebration Oct. 9, 2022, 1 p.m.

Polish Independence Day Luncheon & Awards Nov. 6, 2022, Noon

Hermitage Sunsets at Selby Gardens Series. **Kupiński Guitar Duo Concert** Feb. 26, 2023, 3 p.m.

SARASOTA ITALIAN CULTURAL EVENTS (SICE)

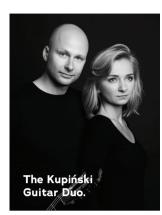
sicesrq.com

SICE celebrates and explores the rich Italian culture through lectures, films, wine tastings and more.

"WW II & Italy's Re-Construction" Dec. 6, 2022, 11 a.m.

DID YOU KNOW?

The Hermitage Artist Retreat on Manasota Key was, for a time during the 1930s, promoted as a nudist colony resort, Sea Island Sanctuary. The site was first settled back in 1907, making it truly a part of 'Old Florida.'



Meet Sarasota Opera Artists Feb. 8, 2023, 11 11 a.m.

Sophia Loren Retrospective Festival January-March 2023, Lakewood Ranch Cinema

SARASOTA PEN WOMEN

sarasotapenwomen.org (941) 735-1888

Sarasota Pen Women are creative souls—writers, artists, photographers, musicians, composers and other creative adventurers in the arts. Monthly meetings are held to "encourage, recognize and promote" creative work of its members.

WEDU PBS

wedu.org (941) 375-9435

As Florida's West Central PBS station, WEDU provides quality arts, education, news and public affairs content and community outreach. Their mission is to educate, explore, and engage to inspire a lifetime of learning and discovery.

WSLR+FOGARTYVILLE

wslr.org/fogartyville (941) 894-6469

Fogartyville is a special gathering place for those

who truly appreciate music and community. Fogartyville is Sarasota's premier listening room, but concerts aren't all they do. They also host other arts and cultural events, education forums, talks and film screenings.

Stay Prayed Up (Southern Circuit film screening) Oct. 18, 2022, 7 p.m.

Shamarr Allen and The Underdawgs Oct. 27, 2022, 7:30 p.m.

The Black Feathers Oct. 28, 2022, 8 p.m.

Grant Peeples (performance and mullet fry) Nov. 4, 2022

13th Annual Very Merry Jerry Day Nov. 6, 2022, 4 p.m.

Joe Crookston Nov. 11, 2022, 8 p.m.

The Slambovian Circus of Dreams Nov. 13, 2022, 8 p.m.

Outta the Muck (Southern Circuit film screening) Nov. 15, 2022, 7 p.m.

David Jacobs-Strain and Bob Beach Nov. 18, 2022, 8 p.m.

Laney Jones and the Spirits Dec. 2, 2022, 8 p.m.

Home From School (Southern Circuit film screening) Feb. 21, 2023, 7 p.m.

Mama Bears (Southern Circuit film screening) March 21, 2023, 7 p.m.

Hazing (Southern Circuit film screening) April 18, 2023, 7 p.m.





The City of Sarasota's public art program officially launched in the late 1980s, but even before that, sculptures adorned the lawns at John and Mable Ringling's mansion, Ca'd' Zan, and the streetscape of St. Armands Circle. Today, over 100 artworks (including Dennis Kowal's aerospace aluminum *Enigma* at Gulfstream Park, above) grace our downtown and surrounding neighborhoods, in parks, plazas, traffic medians and on the walls of public and private buildings. With the impending Public Art Master Plan launching in 2023, the city is entering an exciting new chapter, looking forward to the future of public art in our city.



Below: *Victory* by Erik Jones, the Bold Building at Fruitville Road and Adelia Avenue.



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