



THE BEACHES OF
**FORT MYERS
AND SANIBEL**

What to do the week of Feb. 4-10, 2019

Nature & Sealife cruise, Tarpon Bay Explorers, Sanibel

Daily – Enjoy a naturalist-led excursion through the tranquil waters of Tarpon Bay, located in the J.N. “Ding” Darling National Wildlife Refuge. Look for manatees, dolphins birds and more. Touch tanks also included.

\$23 adults, \$15 children, 11 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. daily, reservations recommended, Tarpon Bay Explorers, 900 Tarpon Bay Road, Sanibel, 239-472-8900, tarponbayexplorers.com

Thank God for Indie Mondays, Sidney & Berne Davis Art Center, downtown Fort Myers

Feb. 4 – Join host Eric Raddatz and co-host Melissa Tschari DeHaven for short indie films, music, comedy and fun. Learn how the Fort Myers Film Festival views submissions for independent films and participate in the selection process.

\$10 adults (\$8 seniors and students), 6:30 p.m. doors open, 7 p.m. show starts, Sidney & Berne Davis Art Center, 2301 First St., downtown Fort Myers. 239-333-1933, sbdac.com

‘Guerilla Girls: Rattling Cages Since 1985,’ Rauschenberg Gallery, FSW campus, Fort Myers

Through March 23 – An internationally-renowned feminist advocacy and art collective, the Guerrilla Girls maintain anonymity while confronting and addressing systemic problems of gender and racial parity in the art world. Attacking art institutions for discriminatory and inequitable practices on their own gallery walls, the Guerrilla Girls have designed a participatory chalkboard installation for visitor “complaints” and covered the Bob Rauschenberg Gallery floor-to-ceiling with an immersive selection of the group’s most notable public art/protest poster campaigns.

Free, Bob Rauschenberg Gallery at Florida SouthWestern State College, 8099 College Parkway S.W., Building L, Fort Myers, 239-489-9313, rauschenberggallery.com

Garden tours, Berne Davis Gardens, downtown Fort Myers

Tuesdays through May 21 – A project of the Fort Myers-Lee County Garden Council that features council member-led tours through areas of bromeliads, hibiscus, rare and tropical fruit, native plants and a bonsai display.

Free admission and parking, 10 a.m.-1 p.m., Berne Davis Gardens, 2166 Virginia Ave., Fort Myers, 239-332-4942, fmlcgardencouncil.com

'Saturday Night Fever' and 'Midlife 2!,' Broadway Palm Dinner Theatre, Fort Myers

'Saturday Night Fever' Feb. 5-9 – Based on the 1977 film, a young man from Brooklyn tries to escape his problems and dance his way to a better life. He hits the dance floor every weekend at the discotheque, where he tries to win the admiration of the crowd, and his crush.

'Midlife 2' Feb. 5-9, 14-17, 19-23 – The follow up to “Mid-Life The Crisis Musical,” “Midlife 2!” is a hilarious look at the aches, pains and joys of getting older.

Ticket prices and times vary, Broadway Palm Dinner Theatre, 1380 Colonial Blvd., Fort Myers, 239-278-4422, broadwaypalm.com

'Tenderly: The Rosemary Clooney Musical,' Florida Repertory Theatre, downtown Fort Myers

'Tenderly: The Rosemary Clooney Musical' Feb. 5-10, 12-15, 17, 19-24 – This new musical follows Rosemary Clooney's rise to Hollywood stardom and a breakdown that nearly ended her career. The show features over 20 tunes, including “Come On-A My House,” “Hey There,” “Sisters,” “Mambo Italiano” and more.

Ticket prices and times vary, Florida Repertory Theatre, 2268 Bay St., Fort Myers, 239-332-4488, floridarep.org

Crafts for kids, Miromar Outlets, Estero

Wednesdays – Toddlers to age 12 can participate in fun activities at WINK Playland. *Free, 10 a.m.-noon, Miromar Outlets, 10801 Corkscrew Road, Estero, 239-948-3766, miromaroutlets.com*

Working Waterfront Tour, Ostego Bay Marine Science Center, Fort Myers Beach

Wednesdays through March 6 – Learn about Florida's "Pink Gold" and the largest shrimping fleet in Florida. Visit commercial fishing docks, see how shrimp are processed and visit the museum with hands-on exhibits, touch tank and estuarine aquariums. Reservations required.

\$20 ages 18 and older, \$10 ages 6-18, free ages 6 and under, 9 a.m.-noon, Ostego Bay Marine Science Center, 718 Fisherman's Wharf, Fort Myers Beach, ostegobay.org, 239-765-8101

Haunted History Tour and River District History Tour, downtown Fort Myers

Wednesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays – The Haunted History Tour is a paranormal tour of historic downtown Fort Myers. The River District History Tour acquaints visitors with the colorful personalities of the founders of Fort Myers. Reservations required. *\$14, Haunted History Tour, 8 p.m. Wednesdays and Saturdays; \$13, River District History Tour, 6 p.m. Thursdays and 10:30 a.m. Saturdays. All True Tours Historical Walking Tours begin and end at the Franklin Shops, 2200 First St., downtown Fort Myers, 239-945-0405, truetours.net*

Beach Concert- Lovers Key State Park, Fort Myers Beach

Feb. 7 – Hosted by Friends of Lovers Key. Beach barbecue and local singer/songwriter sunset performances.

Free, 4:15 p.m., regular entrance fees apply, Lovers Key State Park, 8700 Estero Blvd, Fort Myers Beach, 239-463-4588

'Marian, or the True Tale of Robin Hood,' Alliance for the Arts, Fort Myers

Feb. 7-10, 14-17 – A gender-bending, patriarchy-smashing and hilarious take on the classic tale of Robin Hood and his/her Merry Men.

Ticket prices and times vary, Alliance for the Arts, 10091 McGregor Blvd., Fort Myers, 239-939-2787, artinlee.org

Mystery Walk, downtown Fort Myers

Feb. 8 – The second Friday of the month means it is time for the Mystery Walk. Search for clues throughout downtown and enter for a chance to win prizes at this family-friendly event.

Free, 6-8 p.m. Mystery Walk check-in at the corner of First and Hendry streets in front of Iberia Bank, myriverdistrict.com

Koreshan Unity celebrates 125 years, Koreshan State Park, Estero

Feb. 9 – Celebrate the 125th anniversary of the Koreshan Unity settlement at Koreshan State Park and its move from Chicago to Estero. Guided tours, Koreshan baking and cooking at the Cast Iron Café, nature tours, food vendors and more will be on the schedule.

8 a.m.-noon, Koreshan State Park, 3800 Corkscrew Road, Estero, 239-949-2379, friendsofkoreshan.org

Flavors of Matlacha Island Tour, Matlacha

Saturdays through April 6 – This adventure combines Matlacha's commercial fishing history with its colorful artistic charm. Enjoy samples of local fish and other tastes of Matlacha. Bring water, hat, sunglasses and sunscreen. Reservations required.

\$18, 10-11:30 a.m., Leoma Studio, 4547 Pine Island Road NW, Matlacha, 239-945-0405, truetours.net

Movies Under the Stars, Coconut Point, Estero

Feb. 9 – See "La La Land" at Movies Under the Stars on the lawn by Florida Blue at Coconut Point. Bring a blanket, lawn chair and pets are welcome. Movies begin at dusk.

6-8 p.m., Coconut Point, 23106 Fashion Drive, Estero, 239-992-9966, simon.com/mall/coconut-point/news-and-events

Garden Festival, Edison and Ford Winter Estates, Fort Myers

Feb. 9-10 – More than 40 garden vendors from all over the state will have exotic, tropical and native plants and trees for sale. The festival will feature live music, Millennial Brewing Company will have a special beer brewed for Edison and Ford, and several food trucks will be on-site. There will also be kids gardening activities for the little gardeners.

Free festival (does not include tours), 9 a.m.-5 p.m., 2350 McGregor Blvd., Fort Myers, 239-334-7419, edisonfordwinterestates.org

Edison Festival of Light Junior Parade, Fort Myers

Feb. 10 – This smaller version of the Edison Festival of Light Grand Parade features kids and their families smiling and waving from floats, wagons, marching bands and more.

2:30-4:30 p.m., free, parade starts at First and Heitman streets in downtown Fort Myers, 239-334-2999, edisonfestival.org