



## What to do the week of March 11-17, 2019

### **Boston Red Sox, Minnesota Twins spring training in Lee County**

#### **Boston Red Sox home games**

**March 12** – Detroit Tigers vs. Boston Red Sox

**March 13** – Minnesota Twins vs. Boston Red Sox

**March 16** – Atlanta Braves vs. Boston Red Sox

*1:05 p.m., JetBlue Fenway South, 11500 Fenway South Drive; tickets, 877-733-7699,*

*<https://www.mlb.com/redsox/tickets/spring-training>*

#### **Minnesota Twins home games**

**March 11** – Detroit Tigers vs. Minnesota Twins

**March 14** – Washington Nationals vs. Minnesota Twins

**March 15** – Baltimore Orioles vs. Minnesota Twins

*1:05 p.m., CenturyLink Sports Complex, 14100 6 Mile Cypress Parkway; tickets, 800-338-*

*9467, <https://www.mlb.com/twins/tickets/spring-training>*

### **Shell crafting, Sanibel Community House, Sanibel**

**Mondays** – Shell crafting lessons are held for all ages, children must be accompanied by an adult. Shell crafters are on site for visitors to spend as much time as they want to learn, view and purchase.

*10 a.m.-1p.m., Sanibel Community House, 2173 Periwinkle Way, Sanibel, 239-472-2155, [sanibelcommunityhouse.net](http://sanibelcommunityhouse.net)*

### **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](http://tarponbayexplorers.com)*

**'Guerilla Girls: Rattling Cages Since 1985,' Rauschenberg Gallery, Fort Myers**

**Through March 23** – Attacking art institutions for discriminatory and inequitable practices on their own gallery walls, the Guerrilla Girls, a feminist advocacy and art collective, 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 guided tours through areas of bromeliads, hibiscus, rare and tropical fruit.

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

**Cruise to Tarpon Lodge and Calusa Indian Mounds, Pine Island**

**Tuesdays** – Cruise to Pine Island for lunch at the historic Tarpon Lodge, then take a guided walking tour of the Calusa Indian Mound Trail. While on Pine Island Sound, get an up-close look at the fish shacks and observe fish and marine life during the trawling net segment of this cruise experience. Reservations required.

*\$35 child, \$45 adult, lunch is additional, 10 a.m. cruise departs from McCarthy’s Marina, 11401 Andy Rosse Lane, Captiva and returns at 3 p.m., 239-472-5300, captivacruz.com*

**Songwriters on the plaza, downtown Fort Myers**

**March 12** – Held on the second Tuesday of the month, sponsored by the Lee County Library System and the Americana Community Music Association, this songwriter showcase features performances by Carolyn and David Stanley, Mary Dahl, and Pete and Silvia Popravak. Concerts take place at the outdoor amphitheater on Cornog Plaza. Bring a chair or a blanket.

*Free, 6-7:30 p.m., Cornog Plaza, 1651 Lee St., Fort Myers, 239-533-4636, leegov.com/library*

**'And the winner is ...,' Laboratory Theater of Florida, downtown Fort Myers**

**March 14-16** – The comic story of Tyler Johnes, a self-obsessed movie star, who is finally nominated for an Oscar, then dies the night before the awards. Determined to know if he wins, he bargains with a heavenly gatekeeper to return to earth for the big night.

*Ticket prices and times vary, Laboratory Theater of Florida, 1634 Woodford Ave., Fort Myers, 239-218-0481, laboratorytheaterflorida.com*

**'Guys and Dolls,' Broadway Palm Dinner Theatre, Fort Myers**

**March 13-17, 19-23, 26-30** – The story of the unlikely romance between Miss Sarah Brown, a pure-at-heart urban missionary, and a slick Broadway gambler, Sky Masterson. *Ticket prices and times vary, Broadway Palm Dinner Theatre, 1380 Colonial Blvd., Fort Myers, 239-278-4422, [broadwaypalm.com](http://broadwaypalm.com)*

**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](http://miromaroutlets.com)*

**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 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](http://truetours.net)*

**Music Walk, downtown Fort Myers**

**March 15** – The River District comes alive on the third Friday of the month as local and regional musicians line the streets. Free with many venues featuring additional attractions and specials. *Free, 6-10 p.m., [myriverdistrict.com](http://myriverdistrict.com)*

**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](http://truetours.net)*

### **2019 Southwest Florida Birding Seminar**

**March 15-16** – Join local and national birding experts for this two-day event exploring the science and value of birds in Southwest Florida and beyond. Seminar advanced registration required to attend a field trip. Due to high demand, each individual may sign up for one field trip only. [Click here to register](#). Field trip selection link:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/NQ9JMTX>

*\$35, Florida Gulf Coast University, 10501 FGCU Blvd. South, Fort Myers, contact Jason Boeckman at 239-204-1125 or [jboeckman@leegov.com](mailto:jboeckman@leegov.com), Facebook: 2019 Southwest Florida Birding Seminar*

### **Fort Myers Beach 20<sup>th</sup> annual St. Patrick's Day parade**

**March 16** – Estero Boulevard will be the parade route from 10-11 a.m., starting at Santini Marina Plaza and ending at the Church of the Ascension. This section of Estero Boulevard will be closed for an hour starting at 9:45 a.m.

*239-591-8803, [fortmyersbeach.org/events/st-patricks-day-parade](http://fortmyersbeach.org/events/st-patricks-day-parade)*

### **Downtown Fort Myers St. Patrick's Day Celebration**

**March 17** – The downtown Fort Myers family-friendly block party runs from noon-10 p.m. Live entertainment, free entertainment and more.

*239-321-7104, [fortmyersriverdistrictalliance.com](http://fortmyersriverdistrictalliance.com)*

### **Fifth annual St. Patrick's Day Trolley Event, Cape Coral**

**March 17** – Board the Paddy's Day trolley for an Irish-inspired pub crawl. Trolley tickets are \$17 in advance and the event is sponsored by the South Cape Hospitality and Entertainment Associations.

*3-9 p.m., 239-900-4028, Facebook: 5<sup>th</sup> annual St. Patrick's Day Trolley Event*

### **Baby leprechaun races, Miromar Outlets**

**March 17** – Join Miromar Outlets for this fun event in which babies must crawl past the finish line to compete for prizes in WINK Playland. Registration at 11 a.m.

*10801 Corkscrew Road, Estero, 239-948-3766,*

### **St. Patrick's Day Bash, Shell Factory & Nature Park, North Fort Myers**

**March 17** – Free admission to the park from noon-6 p.m. with live entertainment, corned beef and cabbage and green beer.

*2787 N. Tamiami Trail, North Fort Myers, 239-995-2141, [shellfactorynaturepark.com](http://shellfactorynaturepark.com)*