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Riverwalk Arts & Entertainment District is Flowering with Cultural Opportunities in May, Including Segway Tours, Mother’s Day Brunch Special at Marti’s and War Horses

Fort Lauderdale, Fla. – April XX, 2015 – Cultural fun is blooming at the Riverwalk Arts & Entertainment (A&E) District in May. This month, The District partners – Broward Center for the Performing Arts, NSU Art Museum Fort Lauderdale, Florida Grand Opera, Fort Lauderdale Historical Society, Historic Stranahan House Museum and Bonnet House Museum & Gardens – are excited to offer many events and activities for all ages, including:

Creatively blending theater arts with the wonders of scientific exploration, “**Doktor Kaboom’s Live Wire! Electricity Tour,**” on stage Friday, May 8 at 7 p.m. at the Parker Playhouse, is an original interactive science comedy show. Co-commissioned by The Kennedy Center, the show explores the fundamentals of electrical energy and the history of humanity’s adventures into its potential. For more information, visit <http://browardcenter.org/>.

Fluent Spanish speakers, as well as those looking to brush up on their Spanish, will enjoy Bonnet House Museum & Gardens’ **Spanish Language Tour** on Saturday, May 9 from 10–11:30 a.m. The Spanish Language Tour is offered the second Saturday of every month in groups of 15 to allow for questions and discussion. Reservations can be booked at www.bonnethouse.org.

A great way to discover Fort Lauderdale and its storied history, the **Heart of Fort Lauderdale Segway Tour** is offered every Saturday and Sunday beginning May 9 and 10 from 9–10:30 a.m. A Segway Fort Lauderdale representative will train guests to ride a Segway, which is fun and easy to use. The 1½-hour tour includes fun facts and stories of a bygone era, as well as many scenic spots ideal for photo taking, including Historic Stranahan House, mid-century modern architectural highlights, the Cooley Massacre site and more. After the ride, the tour includes a self-guided or docent tour of the Fort Lauderdale History Center campus and Historic New River Inn. Reservations are required at 954-304-5746. To learn more, visit www.fortlauderdalehistoricalsociety.org.

On **Mother’s Day**, Sunday, May 10 from 10 a.m.–2 p.m., **Marti’s New River Bistro** at the Broward Center for the Performing Arts will treat moms to a complimentary mimosa to help celebrate their special day. Marti’s offers modern American cuisine with indoor and outdoor seating, and spectacular views. Marti’s serves a delightful weekend brunch with menu items featuring inspired new takes on traditional favorites such as Nutella French toast and a Bistro BLT with candied bacon. The inventive menu also includes crisp potato cakes topped with smoked salmon and lemon yogurt whip, jumbo lump crab cake eggs Benedict and southern fried chicken and maple waffles, as well as eggs and omelets made to order. Marti’s is open for brunch every Saturday and Sunday from 10 a.m.–2 p.m. While reservations are encouraged, walk ups are welcome. For reservations, call 954-660-6333 or book on OpenTable. For more information, visit www.browardcenter.org/visit/dining/martis.

The spirits are waiting for guests of Historic Stranahan House Museum's and Water Taxi's **River Ghost Tours**, offered Sundays, May 3, 24 and 31 at 7:30 p.m., weather permitting. The hour-long tour includes a visit inside Stranahan House and a boat ride on the New River. The cost is \$25 per person and reservations are required at 954-524-4736. The tours are also offered as a private event for 10 or more people. For more information, visit www.stranahanhouse.org.

The first museum exhibition to focus on the Danish avant-garde group Helhesten (The Hell-Horse), **“War Horses: Helhesten and the Danish Avant-Garde During WWII”** will be on view starting Sunday, May 17 at NSU Art Museum Fort Lauderdale. The exhibition includes 120 paintings, works on paper and sculptures by artists such as Ejler Bille (1910–2004), Henry Herrup (1907–1983), Asger Jorn (1914–1973), Carl-Henning Pedersen (1913–2007) and others. For more information, visit <http://nsuartmuseum.org>.

These and many more May activities are highlighted on The District's vibrant, award-winning consumer website, www.riverwalkae.com, a one-stop resource for those planning a trip to Fort Lauderdale or locals who want to see what's happening in the area.

About Riverwalk Arts & Entertainment District

Riverwalk Arts & Entertainment District is a unique partnership of arts and entertainment organizations located along the New River in downtown Fort Lauderdale with the express mission of promoting cultural tourism in South Florida. Presenting over 1000 individual events each year, The District attracts well over 1 million visitors annually. Partners of The District Consortium include Broward Center for the Performing Arts, NSU Art Museum Fort Lauderdale, Florida Grand Opera, Fort Lauderdale Historical Society, the Historic Stranahan House Museum and Bonnet House Museum & Gardens. It is supported by the Broward County Board of County Commissioners as recommended by the Broward Cultural Council and the Greater Fort Lauderdale Convention & Visitors Bureau. For more information about The District and its partners, visit www.riverwalkae.com.

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Editor's Note: The 2014–2015 comprehensive The District calendar listing all confirmed events and high-res images are available upon request.