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**Riverwalk Arts & Entertainment District Welcomes Autumn
with Delightful Cultural Events in September**

Fort Lauderdale, Fla. – Aug. XX, 2015 – As summer comes to an end, Riverwalk Arts & Entertainment District is celebrating autumn with exciting cultural activities in September. 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 offering many events and activities for all ages, including:

A unique way to experience history right on the New River, Fort Lauderdale Historical Society's new **Historic Boat Tours** will take place on Saturdays, Sept. 12, 19 and 26 from 9:30–11:30 a.m. The tours begin with a 1-hour boat tour along the New River. Guests then disembark and tour the New River Inn, featuring the King Cromartie House and 1899 Replica School House. The maiden voyage is on Sept. 12. For reservations or more information, visit www.fortlauderdalehistoricalsociety.org or call 954-463-4431.

Al Jarreau and Jeffrey Osbourne, two legendary voices, join for one incredible concert on Saturday, Sept. 19, 8 p.m. at the Broward Center for the Performing Arts. A smooth crooner with a flair for scat singing, Jarreau has released jazz, pop and R&B records across four decades. He is joined by Osbourne, who rose to fame from drummer, to lead vocalist, to first-rate solo artist, where he dominated the charts with Top 40 hits. \$49.50–\$74.50 per ticket. 201 SW 5th Ave, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33312. For more information and to purchase tickets, visit <http://browardcenter.org/events/detail/al-jarreau-jeffrey-osborne>.

Birder extraordinaire Paddy Cunningham presents the **Birding Class: Hawks Galore** at the historic Bonnet House Museum & Gardens estate on Sunday, Sept. 20 from 2–5 p.m. The cost is \$20 for Bonnet House Members and \$25 for non-members. 900 N Birch Rd, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33304. To register and for more information, visit <http://bonnethouse.org/adult-workshops/> or call 954-703-2606.

A fourth-generation South Floridian from the William Freeman family of original homesteaders, Patsy West presents **Stranahan Stories: "From Bathing to Swimming"** on Monday, Sept. 21, 11 a.m.–noon. A curator, ethno-historian and author, West owns a bathing and swimsuit collection totaling over 150 suits circa 1910 to present. This Historic Stranahan House Museum event is free and open to the public, and will take place at the Fort Lauderdale Woman's Club, 20 S Andrews Ave, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301. For more information, visit www.stranahanhouse.org/events.

Family Day: Arts and Technology at NSU Art Museum Fort Lauderdale on Saturday, Sept. 26 from 11 a.m.–2 p.m. is a fun-filled event for all ages. Museum educators present technology-inspired art workshops; the Broward County Main Library Youth Services department offers an art and technology story time; and Broward County

Sheriff's Office Bomb Squad presents a robotic demonstration. Free for children 12 and under. RSVP at moareservations@moafl.org or 954-262-0204. 1 E Las Olas Blvd, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301. For more information, visit <http://nsuartmuseum.org/event/family-day-art-and-technology/>.

These and many more September 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.