

# WHAT'S NEW



*in Greater  
Fort Lauderdale*



Greater Fort Lauderdale/Broward  
County Convention Center

## NEW ON THE MEETING SCENE

The first phase of the newly reimagined and expanded **Greater Fort Lauderdale/Broward County Convention Center** is now complete and features 800,000 square feet of total space, a 350,000-square-foot exhibit hall, Water Taxi access and more. Its superb location puts groups minutes away from Fort Lauderdale-Hollywood International Airport, 3,500 hotel rooms (within 1.5 miles), golden beaches and a walkable waterfront downtown filled with cosmopolitan dining and nightlife. Groups can take advantage of a **\$10 million giveaway in meeting space** for qualifying events at the new convention center.

## NEW HOTELS

Comfort meets sophistication at the dual-branded **Marriott Fort Lauderdale Airport at Dania Beach** and **AC Hotel Fort Lauderdale Airport**, featuring thoughtfully designed open spaces, meeting rooms, restaurants, bars and an infinity pool with cabanas. (350 Rooms, Opened Sept. 2021)

**Hillsboro Beach Resort**, located on exclusive Hillsboro Mile, features Intracoastal dockage with watersports, serene private beach, resort pool and the oceanfront restaurant ROI. (99 Rooms, Opened Oct. 2021)

**AC Hotel Fort Lauderdale Beach** boasts ocean views, an open kitchen for specialty culinary events, a library, an expansive resort-style pool with cabanas and dining services, and 1,000 square feet of meeting space. (171 Rooms, Opened Feb. 2022)

## NEW DINING AND NIGHTLIFE

Gulfstream Park debuted the **Carousel Club**, fusing open-air entertainment and the thrill of world-class thoroughbred horse racing. This first-of-its-kind, trackside venue features memorable moments for 1,500 guests with lawn games, elevated mixology, top DJs, live entertainment, culinary pop-ups, Instagram-worthy elements and much more.

Flagler Village is now home to **Mama Hank's**, a kitchen and full-liquor speakeasy lounge, located behind a 400-pound bulletproof vault door.

**DUNE by Laurent Tourondel** features elevated dining and innovative cuisine by the Michelin-starred chef, located inside the Auberge Beach Residences and Spa.

Fort Lauderdale hotspot **YOLO** has reopened after a multimillion-dollar renovation to the restaurant and O Lounge next door.

## NEW DINING AND NIGHTLIFE

**Ya Mas!** on Las Olas Boulevard transports guests to a lively taverna found on Mykonos or Santorini.

**Moréa** is a Mediterranean oceanfront dining oasis on Fort Lauderdale beach featuring a gorgeous waterfront patio and bar and a breathtaking two-story glass wall installation.

**Sunset Club Rooftop Bar & Lounge** is now open at Costa Hollywood Beach Hotel.

**The Angeles**, now open in downtown Fort Lauderdale, is a church transformed into a two-story nightclub and a 220-seat restaurant called Holly Blue. The venue can accommodate 700 people, including 75-100 in the VIP area overlooking the dance floor.

**The Katherine** opened in downtown Fort Lauderdale and showcases the cuisine of James Beard-nominated chef Timon Balloo, reflecting his Chinese, Indian and Trinidadian roots.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- **San Gennaro Feast**  
March 17-20
- **Florida Renaissance Festival**  
Through March 20
- **Dania Beach Arts & Seafood Celebration**  
April 2-3
- **Tortuga Music Festival**  
April 8-10
- **Fort Lauderdale Air Show**  
April 30-May 1
- **National Senior Games**  
May 10-23
- **Weekley Brothers Davie Pro Rodeo**  
June 25
- **Fort Lauderdale 4th of July Spectacular**  
July 4



## ATTRACTION UPDATES

The **Museum of Discovery & Science** in Fort Lauderdale welcomes STEM Exhibit Plant Pioneers: Journey to Space through May 16.

**The Parker**, formerly Parker Playhouse, welcomes guests for concerts, dance, comedy and more after its stunning \$30 million remodel.

The **Pompano Beach Amphitheater** welcomes guests for concerts and events after a \$3.5 million renovation.

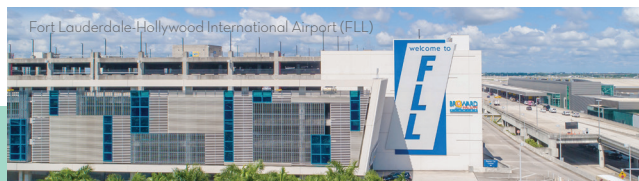
The first phase of **The LOOP** (Las Olas Oceanside Park System) debuted in the Central Beach area of Fort Lauderdale beach. The \$65 million parks project offers authentic experiences and encompasses Las Olas Oceanside Park, Las Olas Intracoastal Promenade Park and The Sunset Terrace at the Las Olas Beach Garage.

## NEW ON THE CRUISE SCENE

Cruise lines sailing in 2022 from Port Everglades:

- Celebrity Cruises
- Cunard Line
- Holland America Line
- Princess Cruises
- Royal Caribbean International
- Silversea Cruises
- Viking Ocean Cruises

Balearia Caribbean provides high-speed ferry service to Bimini and Grand Bahama.



## NEW FLIGHTS

**Fort Lauderdale-Hollywood International Airport (FLL)**

is offering new flights on a variety of airlines:

- Avelo Airlines: New Haven, Connecticut
- Flair Airlines: Ottawa, Toronto, Kitchener-Waterloo and Montreal
- Norse Atlantic Airways: Oslo, London and Paris
- Frontier Airlines: Atlanta, Buffalo, Islip, Orlando, Philadelphia, Providence, Stewart, Trenton, Albany, Rochester, New York, Green Bay, Portland, Maine. [Details here.](#)

## ON THE HORIZON

### SPRING 2022

**The Bite Eatery**, the first food hall in Pompano Beach, a 250-seat venue featuring The Beach Bar, a central full-liquor bar and nine food vendors.

**Four Seasons Hotel & Residences Fort Lauderdale** overlooks Fort Lauderdale beach and features two restaurants, a spa, Beach Butlers, ballroom/meeting facilities and more. (189 Rooms, Opens in March)

On May 10-23, Greater Fort Lauderdale welcomes the **National Senior Games presented by Humana**, the world's largest multi-sport championship event for adults ages 50+.



### SUMMER 2022

The Florida Panthers organization's revitalization of the **War Memorial Auditorium** brings a new community ice facility and 144,000-square-foot sports and entertainment venue for live music and events, as well as the team's new state-of-the-art practice facility with seating for fans.

### FALL 2022

Completion of a \$47 million renovation and expansion of the historic **Fort Lauderdale Aquatic Center**, featuring a 27-meter dive tower and "Top of the Tower" tours with scenic views of the Intracoastal Waterway and Fort Lauderdale beach.

### WINTER 2023

The Ritz-Carlton Yacht Collection's **Evrima** ship will sail from Port Everglades.

### SPRING 2023

The **Victory Entertainment Complex** in Fort Lauderdale's historic Sistrunk neighborhood featuring a distillery, cigar bar, wine and whiskey lounge and rooftop area.



### FALL 2023

Port Everglades will launch **Disney Cruise Line** from a reimagined cruise terminal and Azmara Cruises' Onward ship will set sail as well.

### 2025

Completion of the \$1.1 billion expansion of the **Greater Fort Lauderdale/Broward County Convention Center**. Highlights include waterfront ballrooms, a six-acre outdoor waterfront plaza and an 800-room, five-story headquarters hotel for a total of 1.2 million square feet.

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