



Friday, August 10, 2012

The Dome Farm and Flea Market Venice

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San Marco Plaza Farmers Market

9:00 AM San Marco Plaza, 8215 Natures Way, - (941) 961-0559

More than 35 local farms and vendors selling their goods. Flowers, pottery, seafood, herbs and much more. Benefits the Humane Society of Manatee.

Bead Show

10:00 AM Hilton Garden Inn, 8270 North Tamiami Trail, Sarasota -
Merchandise available at the Show.

Indigo Blue "Happy Hour"

4:00 PM Hotel Indigo Sarasota, 1223 Boulevard of the Arts, Sarasota - Music

Fish Fry'days

4:00 PM Bentleys Boutique Hotel, 1660 S Tamiami Trail, Osprey - (941) 966-2121
Hugh Fish Sandwiches \$9.

Opening Reception, "Curiosities: Rick Valicenti & 21st Century Thirst"

5:00 PM - Selby Gallery, 2700 N. Tamiami Trail, Sarasota - (941) 359-7563

Reception for opening of exhibit by Rick Valicenti, award-winning graphic artist. Exhibit on display Aug. 10 - Sept.

The Venturas, Friday Fest at the Van Wezel

5:00 PM - Van Wezel Performing Arts Hall, 777 N. Tamiami Trail, Sarasota - (941) 953-3368

The Van Wezel Performing Arts Hall's free, family-friendly outdoor summertime music series is back and better than ever! This summer, kick back on the Sarasota Bayfront and listen to outstanding bands play a range of musical styles that will please the whole family.

Wine Tasting at Casa Italia

6:00 PM - Casa Italia 2080 Constitution Blvd., Sarasota - (941) 924-1179

Discover the artful wines of Italy and Spain at Casa Italia's inaugural monthly wine tasting. On Friday, August 10th, from 6 to 8 pm join owners Raj and Nita Mathur, along with wine specialists for a delicious wine tasting. Cost for this event is \$10 per person.

Live from Downtown, it's Friday night!

6:00 PM - Downtown Sarasota, Downtown, Sarasota - (941) 366-7040

Every Friday enjoy shopping, dining & live entertainment showcases. Visit Palm Ave., Main Street, First Street and Whole Foods Market Center.

Hermitage Stars Host Open Studios and Beach Readings

6:30 PM - Hermitage Artist Retreat, 6660 Manasota Key Road, Manasota Key - (941) 475-2098

Winners of the Hermitage Artist Retreat's State Teachers' Artist Residency (STAR) will present a program at the Manasota Key gulf front campus. Activities include presentations by five artists who are visual artists, writers & playwrights. A planned program begins with open studios and house tours, followed by beach readings.

"Friday Free Concert" - Venice

7:00 PM - Centennial Park, 200 West Venice Avenue, Venice - (941) 484-6722

Family Night at Ed Smith Stadium

7:00 PM - Ed Smith Stadium Complex, 12th Street & Tuttle Ave., Sarasota -

The Baltimore Orioles invite the public to "Family Night at Ed Smith Stadium" on Friday, August 10, as the Gulf Coast League Orioles take on the GCL Rays in a free game starting at 7:00 p.m. This is the only scheduled night game of the team's 2012 season.

Caroline Rhea at McCurdy's Comedy Club

7:00 PM McCurdy's Comedy Club, 3333 N. Tamiami Trail, Sarasota - (941) 925-3869

Stay at The Players

7:30 PM The Players Theatre, 838 N. Tamiami Trail, Sarasota - (941) 365-2494

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Perfect Wedding at Florida Studio Theatre

8:00 PM Florida Studio Theatre, 1241 N. Palm Ave., Sarasota - (941) 366-9000

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The Underground

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Saturday, August 11, 2012

2012 Ready, Set, Grow! Infant to Kindergarten Family Fair

Westfield Sarasota Square Mall, 8201 S. Tamiami Trail, Sarasota – 941 366 2686x302

The United Way of Sarasota County Success By 6 Initiative is hosting a free fair for all families in our community in partnership with the Early Learning Coalition. This fair focuses on young children to provide an informational forum. The Fair is free of charge.

Downtown Sarasota Farmers Market

7:00 AM - Sarasota Farmers Market, Lemon Avenue & Main Street, Sarasota - (941) 225-9256

Market with 70-plus vendors and 5,000 square feet of produce, plants, food stands and much more. Area around intersection of Main Street and Lemon Avenue.

Downtown Venice Farmers Market

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Every Saturday morning, 8 a.m. to noon, local farmers, fishermen, craftsmen, bakers, artists and others gather at the Venice Farmers Market in the heart of historic downtown Venice.

Miracle Swimming Beginning Class for Adults

9:00 AM - Wetherington Boys and Girls Club, 3100 Fruitville, Sarasota - (941) 921-6420

For perhaps the first time, you will be in a class with others who feel the same way you do: "How do I learn to feel safe in deep water? How do I stop myself from panicking when I'm out of my depth? How can I enjoy putting my face in water and floating and getting out of a float, front and back?"

Old Miakka Farmers Market, Crowley Museum

9:00 AM Crowley Museum and Nature Center, 16405 Myakka Rd., Sarasota - (941) 322-1000
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Gentle Yoga

9:00 AM Venice Holistic Center, 251 S Tamiami Trail, Venice - (941) 323-8033

Arts and Craft Show - Venice

10:00 AM - Venice Community Center, 326 Nokomis Ave, Venice - (239) 823-3542
Lots of Vendors Free parking, Free Entry, Food Vendor on site. Come hungry to eat & shop.

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Siesta Key Farmers Market

8:00 AM 5124 Ocean Blvd., Siesta Key -

The Siesta Key Farmers Market offers delicious spring greens, herbs and a variety of produce. Shoppers can also find a vast assortment of local, organic products and a Taste Of The Village with area restaurants serving farm fresh items from their menus.

The Siesta Farmers Market brings raw foods, fresh fruits and vegetables, home-baked pastries and breads, fresh cut flowers, specialty cheeses, coffees, soaps, jellies, and seafood, together with music, entertainment and more.

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Drag Queen Brunch at Sangria Tapas Bar

11:00 AM Sangria Tapas Bar & Restaurant, 1532 Main St, Sarasota -

Join Sarasota's favorite Drag Queens for a Sunday Brunch that will have you laughing your sins away allowing you to start the week off with a clean soul! Enjoy a delicious buffet style brunch and try our signature Mimosas and Bloody Marys! Full Bar available.

PIG ROAST

12:00 PM BLU QUE ISLAND GRILL, 149 AVENIDA MESSINA, Siesta Key - (941) 346-0738

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Jazz Open Jam Session

3:00 PM Hotel Indigo Sarasota, 1223 Boulevard of the Arts, Sarasota -

Musicians and jazz lovers gather in Hotel Indigo Sarasota's H2O Bistro.

Very Merry Jerry at WSLR

3:30 PM - WSLR Studio, 525 Kumquat Court, Sarasota - (941) 894-6469

Groove to the tunes of the late Grateful Dead frontman, and listen to bands Bluestar, Ship of Fools and the Clearwater based Uncle John's Band. There will be food vendors and children's activities.

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ADULT SKATE NIGHT!

7:30 PM - Stardust Skate Center, 2571 12th St, Sarasota - (941) 365-6888

Adult Skate Night! Every Sunday Night at Stardust Skate Center 7:30pm to 10pm Great DJ - Great Music - Great Food Admission is \$7 plus skate rental Song Requests are always welcome!

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Monday, August 13, 2012

Mariachi Band

5:30PM Weekly until Mon Jul 29 2013. - Mi Pueblo , 8405 Tuttle Ave, Sarasota - (941) 359-9303

Mariachi night at mi Pueblo Mexican Restaurant a local favorite for traditional Mexican food and atmosphere since 1999.

Calling All Night Owls and Early Risers! View the Perseid Meteor Shower at Red Bug Slough Preserve

2:00 AM - Red Bug Slough Preserve, 5200 Beneva Road, Sarasota - (941) 861-5000

Join Environmental Specialist Jeff Weber for a night viewing of the Perseid Meteor Shower at Sarasota's Red Bug Slough Preserve from 2:00 – 3:30 AM on Monday, August 13, 2012 (which is late Sunday night). Grab a cup of coffee and bring an old blanket or a folding chair to enjoy one of nature's night sky spectaculars. Viewing will be at its peak on this date during this time period, when participants can expect to see up to 30-60 shooting stars per hour!

Boot Camp at Warm Mineral Springs

6:30 AM - Warm Mineral Springs, 12200 San Servando Ave, -

Five intense early morning sessions with Certified Personal Trainer and fitness expert Carla Peralta.

The Players New Play Festival

7:30 PM - The Players Theatre, 838 N. Tamiami Trail, Sarasota - (941) 365-2494

The New Play Festival is August 13th-18th, 2012 at 7:30pm. Tickets: \$8 individual/3 for \$21/All six for \$36 To purchase tickets call 941-365-2494 or visit <http://theplayers.org/>

Being My Own Best Friend

9:30 AM – Women's Resource Center - Venice, 701 Center Road, Venice - (941) 366-1700

Learn healthy ways to deal with transition and frustration while building self esteem and your skills for a positive outlook to become who you want to be!

Awakening Spirit Yoga

10:00 AM Venice Holistic Center, 251 S Tamiami Trail, Venice - (941) 323-8033

Margarita Monday's

11:00 AM Bentleys Boutique Hotel, 1660 S Tamiami Trail, Osprey - (941) 966-2121

Small Space Florida Gardening

12:00 PM Venice Holistic Center, 251 S Tamiami Trail, Venice - (941) 323-8033

SQ Foot Raised Bed Gardening, Vertical Gardening, Containers, Easy Irrigation Techniques, Rain Barrels, What to Grow How and When in Our Area and much more. Lunch and Learn 11:45 – 1:00 includes fresh produce lunch call 323 8033 for info this is drop in and we will let you know topics as created. We will have guest presenters as we go along and topics will match what the class would like to learn.

.50 CENT WING NIGHT

12:00 PM BLU QUE ISLAND GRILL, 149 AVENIDA MESSINA, Siesta Key - (941) 346-0738

Meditative Yoga

5:30 PM Women's Resource Center of Sarasota County, 340 S. Tuttle Ave., Sarasota - (941) 366-1700 Tone the mind, body and soul with mindful breath work, reflective poses and plenty of meditative moments. Please bring a mat.

Isagenix Wellness Presentation

6:00 PM Hotel Indigo Sarasota, 1223 Boulevard of the Arts, Sarasota - (941) 302-1867

Are you ready to discover a new level of health and vitality? Join us for an informational session on how to regain & maintain optimum health and wellness through organic nutrition.

"Mr. and Mrs. Bridge," Monday Night Movies at the Ringling

7:00 PM - Historic Asolo Theater, 5401 Bay Shore Rd., Sarasota - (941) 359-5700

An entertaining, deeply moving and magnificently acted film (starring Joanne Woodward and Paul Newman) drawn from Evan S. Connell's novel, about a '40s-era Kansas City family and told through a series of delightful vignettes about business, devotion, love, the war, and family.

Game Show Trivolution (trivia)

8:30 PM Applebee's, 3255 University Parkway, Sarasota -

Do you like trivia? Game Shows? Why not play both at the area's premier trivia and game show night every Monday at the Applebee's on University Parkway.

Tuesday, August 14, 2012

Boot Camp at Warm Mineral Springs

6:30 AM Warm Mineral Springs, 12200 San Servando Ave, -

Five intense early morning sessions with Certified Personal Trainer and fitness expert Carla Peralta.

FREE Running Clinic

4:00 PM Siesta Key Physical Therapy, 5147 Ocean Blvd. , Siesta Key - (941) 870-5811

Free clinic and consultation with Physical Therapists Dave and Kristy Ochsendorf. If you have been experiencing pain or injury, have barefoot or "minimalist" questions, would like training advice, or if you need specific stretching or strengthening exercises this is your opportunity to meet with the very friendly and intelligent Doctors of Physical Therapy. This clinic is right before the Manasota Track Club's Tuesday Night Beach Run on Siesta Key!

Taco Tuesdays

4:00 PM - Bentleys Boutique Hotel, 1660 S Tamiami Trail, Osprey - (941) 966-2121

\$2 Taco Tuesdays - Each Taco comes with minced beef seasoned with cumin & chili pepper. All toppings are 25c ea. Crumbled cheddar cheese, lettuce, diced tomatoes.

\$15 SMOKED PRIME RIB NIGHT

5:00 PM BLU QUE ISLAND GRILL, 149 AVENIDA MESSINA, Siesta Key - (941) 346-0738

Kids' Summer Beach Runs, Siesta Key Beach

5:30 PM - Siesta Beach Pavilion, 948 Beach Road, Siesta Key -

Sarasota County Parks and Recreation's Kids' Summer Beach Runs will take place every Tuesday through Aug. 14, beginning near the pavilion, 948 Beach Road, Siesta Key A one-time registration fee of \$1 lets children compete in all the beach runs. Registration begins at 5:30 p.m.

"All Shook Up," Golden Apple Dinner Theatre

6:00 PM. - Golden Apple Dinner Theatre, 25 N. Pineapple Ave., Sarasota - (941) 366-5454.

Summertime Wine Dinner - Crow's Nest - Venice

6:30 PM - The Crows Nest Marina Restaurant, 1968 Tarpon Center Drive, Venice - (941) 484-9551 Welcome back Executive Chef

Mike Leopold when you taste some 1990 vintage California Cabernets paired with Mike's creative cuisine. For those with an appreciation for aged wines from our cellar. Featured 1990 wines include: Rodge Monte Bello, Chateau Montelena Estate, Alta Mura and Opus One \$125.

Wednesday, August 15, 2012

Boot Camp at Warm Mineral Springs

6:30 AM Warm Mineral Springs, 12200 San Servando Ave, -

Five intense early morning sessions with Certified Personal Trainer and fitness expert Carla Peralta. Aug. 13-17 Also July 16-20 and Sept.

Bees, Chickens, Fruits, and Vegetables: A Workshop on Backyard Food Production

9:00 AM - Peter's Garden, 7614 Linden Ave, Sarasota - (941) 408-3374

Get ready for the new growing season by learning how to produce more of your own food! Peter Burkard, author of *The Real Dirt: An Organic Grower's Journey and the Values that Inspired It*, will share with you his secrets gleaned from four decades of experience growing food on the West Coast of Florida. Peter will provide advice on growing vegetables and herbs, caring for fruit trees, rainwater harvesting and drip irrigation, and raising happy, healthy plants.

Celebrate National Relaxation Day at Tommy Bahamas Restaurant, Bar & Store

11:00 AM - Tommy Bahamas Restaurant and Bar, 300 John Ringling Blvd, Lido Key & St. Armands - (941) 388-9853 Tommy Bahamas is leading the charge on one issue everyone can agree on – the right to relax! The lifestyle brand that was founded on the principal make life one long weekend is in the midst of a campaign to make National Relaxation Day on August 15th an official U.S.

AJC Summer Lunch & Learn

11:00 AM - Michael's on East, Sarasota -

AJC (American Jewish Committee) presents Dina Siegel Vann, Director of AJC's Latino and Latin American Institute, at its final lunch & learn of the summer. She will discuss "Iran's Impact on Latin America and its Jewish Communities." Cost is \$25 for the lunch and lecture.

ALL YOU CAN EAT RIBS \$20

12:00 PM - BLU QUE ISLAND GRILL, 149 AVENIDA MESSINA, Siesta Key - (941) 346-0738

Exploring Meditation

3:00 PM - Venice Holistic Center, 251 S Tamiami Trail, Venice - (941) 323-8033

Exploring Meditation: 3:00 – 4:30 Learn the latest in brain research how mindfulness meditation improves focus, concentration, memory retention, relaxation and the ability to find joy in life's ups and downs! Meditation Instruction, practice, class, tea and snack!

Wednesday Evening Swims - Warm Mineral Springs

5:15 PM - Warm Mineral Springs, 1220 San Servando Ave., North Port - (941) 426-1692

Evening swims at Warm Mineral Springs every Wednesday - the Spa will be open.

Kids' Summer Beach Runs, Brohard Beach

5:30 PM - Brohard Beach, 1600 Harbor Drive, Venice - (941) 861-5000

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Sarasota International Folk Dancers (aka "Sarasota Grapeviners")

7:00 PM - Bayfront Community Center, 750 Van Wezel Way, Sarasota - (941) 379-6302

We are a recreational dance group of international folk dancers, also known as the "Sarasota Grapeviners." Come and join us to enjoy wonderful music and participatory dance from Greece, Macedonia, Israel, Turkey, and more! Both men and women are welcome...

Tomorrow's World - Unitarian Universalist Church - Venice

7:00 PM - Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Venice, 1971 Pinebrook Rd, Venice - (941) 408-1729 13 wks, fascinating videos by MIT's charismatic Prof. Jeffrey Grossman re the new futures that science will create; discussion to follow.. Laymen's language.

Thursday, August 16, 2012

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6:30 AM Warm Mineral Springs, 12200 San Servando Ave, -

Five intense early morning sessions with Certified Personal Trainer and fitness expert Carla Peralta

Thirsty Thursday's

11:00 AM - Bentleys Boutique Hotel, 1660 S Tamiami Trail, Osprey - (941) 966-2121

Connection Cafe - Women's Resource Center

11:45 AM - Women's Resource Center of Sarasota County, 340 S. Tuttle Ave., Sarasota - (941) 366-1700

LADIES NIGHT

12:00 PM BLU QUE ISLAND GRILL, 149 AVENIDA MESSINA, Siesta Key - (941) 346-0738

Art After 5

5:00 PM The John and Mable Ringling Museum of Art, 5401 Bay Shore Road, Sarasota - (941) 359-5700
Art after 5 - 5 p.m. – 8 p.m.

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Bluegrass Jam, Bee Ridge Park

7:00 PM - Bee Ridge Park, 4430 S Lockwood Ridge Rd, Sarasota, , Sarasota -
Free bluegrass jam every Thursday night in Bee Ridge Park, at the corner of Lockwood Ridge Road and Wilkinson in Sarasota. Open to all; just bring your instrument.

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The Westfield Sarasota Square Mall Home, Health & Family Expo

10:00 AM - Westfield Sarasota Square Mall, 8201 S. Tamiami Trail, Sarasota - (941) 320-3216

Guest Reader: Richard Blanchard

10:30 AM - Elysian Fields, 1273 Tamiami Trail S, Sarasota - (941) 361-3006
Richard considers himself an instrument of spirit, helping relieve unresolved issues of pain and loss.

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Towles Court Art Walk

6:00 PM - Towles Court Art District, 1938 Adams Lane, Sarasota - (941) 374-1988
All galleries, restaurants, and businesses are open for the Towles Court Art Walk every third Friday from 6-10p.m. You will find various styles and mediums of art in a unique and beautiful setting.

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Flea Market and Collectibles Fair

10:00 AM Sarasota Municipal Auditorium, 801 N. Tamiami Trail, Sarasota - (941) 954-4165

Antiques, books, collectibles, jewelry, fossils, discount postage and much more. Fifty-plus vendors display their merchandise for sale. Saturday 10– 5; Sunday 10–4.

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Intuitive Arts Fair

10:30 AM - Elysian Fields, 1273 Tamiami Trail S, Sarasota - (941) 361-3006

Astrology, Psychic, Tarot & More! Purchase 2 or more readings & receive a 10% discount on all store merchandise.

Junior Stars of Tomorrow - Carreno Dance Festival

11:00 AM - Sarasota Opera House, 61 N Pineapple Ave., Sarasota - (941) 366-8450

JUNIOR STARS OF TOMORROW One Performance Only A Breathtaking Display of Stellar Potential in the Dance World! Followed by Luncheon in the Opera House Courtyard, 1:00 p.m.

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Another SRQ Singles Meet & Mingle

4:30 PM - Sam Snead's American Grill, 1830 S. Osprey Ave., Sarasota - (941) 312-1291

SRQ Singles, Baby Boomers in Paradise gather for a Saturday happy hour and mega-mingling, in an upscale atmosphere, at Sam Snead's Grill & Tavern. Admission \$7, cash please, name tags provided. Cash bar, complimentary nibbles from their new menu.

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8:00 AM 5124 Ocean Blvd., Siesta Key -

The Siesta Key Farmers Market offers delicious spring greens, herbs and a variety of produce. Shoppers can also find a vast assortment of local, organic products and a Taste Of The Village with area restaurants serving farm fresh items from their menus.

The Siesta Farmers Market brings raw foods, fresh fruits and vegetables, home-baked pastries and breads, fresh cut flowers, specialty cheeses, coffees, soaps, jellies, and seafood, together with music, entertainment and more.

Miracle Swimming Ultra Beginning

9:00 AM - Serendipity Racquet Club, 3600 Torrey Pines Boulevard, Sarasota - (941) 921-6420

Description of Ultra Beginning If you describe your fear as being "off the Richter Scale," our Ultra Beginning class is for you. There is no one who fails to learn to float and swim if they're able to learn to float in a very shallow pool. Go at your own pace.

The Dome Farm and Flea Market Venice

9:00 AM Flea Market, intersection of S.R. 776 and Rutgers, Venice Fl. 34291, Venice - (941) 376-0969 Best and Oldest Farm and Flea market in south Venice, Plus new 100 space Event center now open for community events, we help support.

Flea Market and Collectibles Fair

10:00 AM Sarasota Municipal Auditorium, 801 N. Tamiami Trail, Sarasota - (941) 954-4165

Antiques, books, collectibles, jewelry, fossils, discount postage and much more. Fifty-plus vendors display their merchandise for sale. Saturday 10-5; Sunday 10-4.

Drag Queen Brunch at Sangria Tapas Bar

11:00 AM Sangria Tapas Bar & Restaurant, 1532 Main St, Sarasota -

Join Sarasota's favorite Drag Queens for a Sunday Brunch that will have you laughing your sins away allowing you to start the week off with a clean soul! Enjoy a delicious buffet style brunch and try our signature Mimosas and Bloody Marys! Full Bar available.

PIG ROAST

12:00 PM BLU QUE ISLAND GRILL, 149 AVENIDA MESSINA, Siesta Key - (941) 346-0738

Glenridge Performing Arts Center Presents The Ditchfield Family Singers

2:00 PM - Glenridge Performing Arts Center, 7333 Scotland Way, Sarasota - (941) 552-5325

BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND! The Ditchfields showcase a wide variety of musical styles from the artists that dominated the American

music scene for over 5 decades. Featured in this show are favorites from Bing Crosby, Frank Sinatra, Ella Fitzgerald, Judy Garland, Mel Torme, Nat King Cole, Tony Bennett, Doris Day, Dean Martin and many more!

Jazz Open Jam Session

3:00 PM Hotel Indigo Sarasota, 1223 Boulevard of the Arts, Sarasota -
Musicians and jazz lovers gather in Hotel Indigo Sarasota's H2O Bistro.

"All Shook Up," Golden Apple Dinner Theatre

4:30 PM - Golden Apple Dinner Theatre, 25 N. Pineapple Ave., Sarasota - (941) 366-5454

Countdown to the Blues

5:00 PM - Sarasota Guitar Company, 2111 Cortez Road West, Bradenton

ADULT SKATE NIGHT!

7:30 PM Stardust Skate Center, 2571 12th St, Sarasota - (941) 365-6888

Adult Skate Night! Every Sunday Night at Stardust Skate Center 7:30pm to 10pm Great DJ - Great Music - Great Food Admission is \$7 plus skate rental Song Requests are always welcome!

CONTINUING EVENTS AND HAPPENINGS

Summer Safaris at Big Cat Habitat & Gulf Coast Sanctuary

4:30 PM Weekly on Sun, Wed, Thurs, Fri, and Sat until Sun Oct 07 2012. - Big Cat Habitat & Gulf Coast Sanctuary, 7101 Palmer Blvd, Sarasota - (941) 371-6377

Summer Safari is a rare opportunity to see exotic animals up close and personal. Our pledge is to provide love, respect and a safe haven for life to all our magnificent animals.

Random Acts Venice Theatre Cabaret in the Pinkerton

8:00 PM Weekly on Thurs, Fri, and Sat until Sat Aug 25 2012 - Venice Theatre, 140 W. Tampa Ave, Venice - (941) 488-1115 July 19 – August 25, 2012, Thurs-Saturday 8:00 pm Sarasota's infamous guerilla theatre has a new home in VT's Pinkerton Theatre! Random Acts – also known as ADT* – is an evening of edgy songs, monologues, and scenes. Not for the faint of heart.

Talley's Folly

8:00 PM Weekly on Tues, Wed, Thurs, and Fri until Fri Aug 24 2012. - Florida Studio Theatre, 1241 N. Palm Ave., Sarasota - (941) 366-9000 Pulitzer Prize Winner. From celebrated playwright Lanford Wilson, Talley's Folly tells the story of unlikely soul mates Matt and Sally. On a moonlit night in 1944 Missouri, the pair discovers the humor and vulnerability of true intimacy.

Perfect Wedding at Florida Studio Theatre

3:00 PM Florida Studio Theatre, 1241 N. Palm Ave., Sarasota - (941) 366-9000

On the morning of his wedding, Bill wakes up in his honeymoon suite with a dreadful hangover and an unknown woman in his bed.

It's a race against time as he has to either get her out or make up a plausible story before his fiancée and future mother-in-law arrive. Desperate times call for desperate measures in this hysterical romp of a love story gone wrong.

Yoga

9:00 AM Weekly on Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs, and Fri until Fri Mar 01 2013. - Women's Resource Center of Sarasota County, 340 S. Tuttle Ave., Sarasota - (941) 366-1700

Gentle yoga focuses on stretching, breathing and relaxation. Appropriate for beginners and men and women are welcome. Please bring a mat.

"Mythic Creatures of China," Art Exhibit, Ringling Museum of Art

8/17/2012 10:00 AM Daily until Sun Jul 28 2013 - The John and Mable Ringling Museum of Art, 5401 Bay Shore Road, Sarasota - (941) 359-5700 Chinese artists have portrayed animals in ceramics across thousands of years of the country's continuous history. These animals captured the imaginations of Chinese potters as they sought to portray animals they had seen and others they could only imagine. Drawn from the Ringling's collection of Chinese ceramics, these animals will tickle your fancy with their stories, legends and vibrancy.

"Deco Japan: Shaping Art and Culture, 1920-1945," Art Exhibit, Ringling Museum, Sarasota

10:00 AM Daily until Sun Sep 30 2012 - John and Mable Ringling Museum of Art, 5401 Bay Shore Rd., Sarasota - (941) 359-5700
Selected by Dr Kendall Brown, the nearly 200 works shown here highlight the Levenson collection -- the world's premier collection of Japanese art in the Deco style. These pieces include spectacular examples of metalwork, ceramics, lacquer, glass, wood furniture, jewelry, textiles, graphic design on paper, painting and woodblock prints; they range from fine art objects made to impress the public at national art exhibitions to goods mass produced for the modern home. The exhibition combines a dynamic range of compelling objects with fresh scholarly perspective to pull viewers into this rich period in world history and visual culture.

A Horse & A Ring at The Ringling Museum

10:00 AM Daily until Mon Sep 17 2012 - John and Mable Ringling Museum of Art, 5401 Bay Shore Rd., Sarasota - (941) 359-5700
In the Circus Museum's Tibbals Learning Center A Horse & A Ring From the earliest days of circus as an organized entertainment, the relationship between horse and rider has been an essential element of the traveling show. Bareback acts defined the circus' 42' diameter ring to allow a horse to gallop at a rate that would create enough centrifugal force to allow the artist to balance on its back. From the physical demands of the bareback rider to the nuanced relationship of a dressage performance, the depiction of horse acts has always been a popular theme in circus advertising.

"Preserving Eden," Exhibit of Clyde Butcher's Photographs, South Florida Museum

8/10/2012 10:00 AM, Repeats daily until Sun Aug 26 2012. - South Florida Museum, 201 10th Street West, Bradenton, Surrounding Areas - (941) 746-4131

"Preserving Eden, Clyde Butcher's Florida Photographs," on display April 20-Aug. 26 at the South Florida Museum in Bradenton. In photographing Florida, a land dominated by rich color, why does Clyde Butcher choose to work in black and white?

"Sanford Biggers: Codex," Art Exhibit, Ringling Museum of Art

10:00 AM Daily until Sun Oct 14 2012 - The John and Mable Ringling Museum of Art, 5401 Bay Shore Road, Sarasota - (941) 359-5700
Codex presents the latest work by internationally renowned installation artist, Sanford Biggers. Using a complex system of imagery including star maps, dance notations, the Buddhist lotus composed of a slave ship diagram and cloud forms made out of raw cotton, Biggers explores the Afrofuturist notion of "Harriet Tubman as astronaut" as she led slaves to their freedom guided by the stars. See this exhibition during regular Museum hours, 10 a.m.

"Summer Showcase" Exhibit, Dabbert Gallery

11:00 AM Daily until Sat Sep 29 2012 - Dabbert Gallery, 76 S. Palm Ave., Sarasota - (941) 955-1315
Opening of new exhibit, "Summer Showcase," displaying the work of 17 artists from around the world, including James Griffin, Barbara Krupp and Robert Bazter.

Harry's "20 under \$20"

2:00 PM Daily until Fri Aug 17 2012 - Harry's Continental Kitchens ~ Restaurant, 5600 Gulf of Mexico Drive, Longboat Key - (941) 383-0777
The Patio Bistro Menu (served Tues-Sat from 2-6)...Happy Hour done Harry's style featuring fabulous fair and luscious libations at practical prices. Experience the unique Spanish Tapas, the Insalata Mediterranean, Macadamia Nut Encrusted Sea Scallops, the amazing House Burger, and even a New York Strip steak all for under \$20.

Sunday Prime Rib Dinner at Fleming's

4:00 PM Fleming's Prime Steakhouse, 2001 Siesta Drive, Sarasota - (941) 358-4963

Offered at the special price of \$29.95* per guest for a limited time, with a perfect wine pairing for \$40** per bottle It's the end of a long summer weekend, and who has time to prepare a special meal? Our chefs do, and it's the perfect occasion for your family to spend some quality time together.



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