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WINTER 2018 WILL BE A CULTURAL SEASON FOR THE RECORD BOOKS IN THE PALM BEACHES
In-The-Know Travelers are leaving their Coats at Home for an Arts-Filled Winter in The Palm Beaches

Lake Worth, December 18 – Winter 2018 will be one for the record books – and in the temperate Palm Beaches that means a record array of art and cultural experiences. Palm Beach County, Florida’s Cultural Capital®, beckons visitors to shake off that winter coat and enjoy unforgettable experiences in a beautiful setting.

Palm Beach County is so rich in art and culture that it offers a Cultural Concierge service to curate your visit. This free service from the Cultural Council of Palm Beach County guides tourists in planning their cultural activities.

“In The Palm Beaches, beautiful weather and breathtaking tropical scenery make a backdrop for experiencing the arts in a new way,” said Bama Lutes Deal, Ph.D., the Cultural Concierge who can enhance your stay with customized recommendations, which could include some of the following experiences.

December

- Gilded-Age holiday decorations, an exhibition in honor of World War I aviators, and afternoon tea at the historic **Henry Morrison Flagler Museum** in Palm Beach
- **Delray Beach’s** famous 100-Ft. Christmas tree, street decorations, Artists Alley and the new arts warehouse district
- The world premiere of Terry Teachout’s “Billy & Me” at **Palm Beach Dramaworks**, through December 31 in West Palm Beach
- Miami City Ballet’s new production of Balanchine’s “Nutcracker” designed by Isabel and Ruben Toledo, at the **Kravis Center** in West Palm Beach December 28-30
- Sandi, a giant sand-sculpture Christmas Tree at the waterfront in **Downtown West Palm Beach**, surrounded with holiday activities including **Clematis By Night** on December 21 – all in the **West Palm Beach Arts and Entertainment District** with West Palm Beach’s famous murals and the new **Culture Lab at CityPlace**
- Kwanzaa Celebration at the **Spady Museum** in Delray Beach, December 30
- The annual Salute to Vienna New Year’s Eve concert at the **Kravis Center** in West Palm Beach
- “A Man for All Seasons: The Art of Winston Churchill” at the **Society of the Four Arts** in Palm Beach, through January 14

January

- **Palm Beach Chamber Music Society** presents the Escher String Quartet in the Gold Room at **The Breakers Hotel**, January 4 in Palm Beach
- A special concert on January 12 by former Metallica guitarist Jason Newsted, whose art is exhibited at the **Cultural Council of Palm Beach County**, at the Cultural Council in Lake Worth
- Renee Fleming at the **Kravis Center**, January 13 in West Palm Beach
- The **Palm Beach Modern + Contemporary** art show, January 11-15 in West Palm Beach
- 29th Annual Downtown Delray Beach Festival of the Arts, January 20-21
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- **The Society of the Four Arts** presents jazz/pop crossover vocalist and songwriter Joelle Lurie and the Joelle Lurie Quartet, January 24 in Palm Beach
- **FOTOFusion 2018**, the 23rd Annual International Festival of Photography and Digital Imaging at the **Palm Beach Photographic Centre** in West Palm Beach, January 23-27
- **Palm Beach Opera** presents Puccini's "Tosca," January 26-28 at the **Kravis Center** in West Palm Beach
- **The Society of the Four Arts** presents the New York Philharmonic String Quartet, January 31 in Palm Beach

February

- The world-famous **Lake Worth Street Painting Festival** on February 24-25, plus the new **CANVAS Outdoor Museum™** show murals throughout Downtown Lake Worth
- **Miami City Ballet** Program 2: Jerome Robbins Centennial Celebration, at the **Kravis Center** in West Palm Beach, February 2-4
- BalletBoyz perform at the **Duncan Theatre**, February 2-3 in Lake Worth
- Contre Tiempo Urban Latin Dance Theater at the **Kravis Center** in West Palm Beach, February 9-10
- **Palm Beach Jewelry, Art and Antiques** show, February 14-20 at the Convention Center in West Palm Beach
- George Benson: An Exclusive Evening of Classic Music and Greatest Hits at the **Kravis Center**, February 17 in West Palm Beach
- **Artigras Fine Arts Festival** at Abacoa, February 17-19

Ongoing and not to be missed --

- Through February 25, the **Cornell Museum of Art in Delray Beach's Old School Square** presents the Looking Glass Exhibition
- **RaWk: The Art of Jason Newsted**, at the Cultural Council of Palm Beach County in Lake Worth through February 1
- Albert Paley sculptures in the "**Paley on the Avenue**" exhibition in **Downtown Boynton Beach**
- The Contemporary Photography Forum at the **Boca Raton Museum of Art** through February 8

About Florida's Cultural Capital®

The Palm Beaches is a collection of 39 cities and towns stretching from Boca Raton to Jupiter and Tequesta, with 47 miles of pristine Atlantic Ocean beaches and sophisticated art and culture. The destination has more than 200 cultural organizations that produce 42,000 events, exhibitions and performances annually.

The Cultural Council of Palm Beach County is the official support agency for arts and culture in The Palm Beaches, Florida's Cultural Capital®. Headquartered in the historic Robert M. Montgomery, Jr. Building in Downtown Lake Worth, the Council presents exhibitions and performances featuring artists who live or work in Palm Beach County. The building also serves as a VISIT FLORIDA-designated Florida Certified Tourism Information Center, a helpful resource for visitors. The Council's complimentary Cultural Concierge program provides visitors with expert recommendations, custom itineraries and enhanced access to local events, talent and venues. Call 833-PBC-ARTS or visit palmbeachculture.com/concierge.

For more information, including a complete calendar of cultural activities in The Palm Beaches, visit palmbeachculture.com.