



What To Do the week of Sept. 12-18, 2022

Each Monday, the [Lee County Visitor & Convention Bureau \(VCB\)](#) lets you know What To Do in Fort Myers and surrounding neighborhoods.

Let us know: Events, along with high-res images, can be submitted for consideration by emailing [Jackie Parker](#), VCB communications manager. Deadline is 5 p.m. Tuesday before the week of publication. Thank you!

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**WHAT TO DO
EVENTS LISTING**
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Island Hopper Songwriter Fest, Sept. 16-25, Captiva Island, downtown Fort Myers and Fort Myers Beach

The 10-day music festival features performances by some of the country's most talented singer-songwriters and kicks off on Captiva Island, Sept. 16-18, then moves to downtown Fort Myers, Sept. 19-22, and ends with a weekend on Fort Myers Beach, Sept. 23-25. Most shows are free, with the exception of a few ticketed experiences.

More than 80 singer-songwriters will perform over 100 shows. Keep current on festival news with the [Island Hopper app](#) or islandhopperfest.com. Also, check out The Sanibel Captiva Guide Podcast for a local's take on Island Hopper at thesancapguide.com/category/podcast.

[Gary LeVox](#), frontman for Rascal Flatts, is the headliner and is scheduled to perform at 5 p.m. Sept. 25 poolside at the Pink Shell Beach Resort & Marina on Fort Myers Beach. Tickets for the LeVox concert are available on the Island Hopper app or at islandhopperfest.visitfortmyers.com/artist/gary-levox.

Be sure to download the app to be entered for a chance to win a two-night stay at Pink Shell during the final

weekend of Island Hopper, tickets to the LeVox concert and a \$200 gift card.



Monday, Sept. 12

Magic Workshop for teens, Cape Coral Lee County Public Library, Cape Coral

Teens 12-17 are invited to learn magic tricks from award-winning magician Joey Evans. This free workshop is 4:30-5:30 p.m. Monday. *Cape Coral Lee County Public Library, 921 S.W. 39th Terrace, Cape Coral, 239-533-4500, leelibrary.librarymarket.com*



Tuesday, Sept. 13

Rockin' on the River presents The Fixx, Caloosa Sound Amphitheater, Fort Myers

Classic alternative group The Fixx performs at the first free concert of Rockin' on the River. Tickets must be reserved online and a limited number of VIP & Super VIP tickets can be purchased. 7-11 p.m. Tuesday. *Caloosa Sound Amphitheater, 2101 Edwards Drive, Fort Myers, 239-314-3729, caloosasoundamp.com*



Wednesday, Sept. 14

Kuniko Yamamoto - Origami Stories: Samurai Spirit, Florida Gulf Coast University, Fort Myers

Experience a samurai range of stories from folk tales, personal stories, history, traditional music, origami and a bit of magic with performer Kuniko Yamamoto. Free, 6-

7:30 p.m. Wednesday. *Wasmer Art Gallery, 10501 FGCU Boulevard South, Fort Myers, [eventbrite.com](https://www.eventbrite.com)*



Thursday, Sept. 15

Untold Stories Tour, Mound House, Fort Myers Beach

Learn about an intriguing cast of characters who called Mound House home, from farmers to casino owners to scientists and developers. 2 p.m. Thursday, \$15 adults, free for Mound House members. *Mound House, 451 Connecticut St., Fort Myers Beach, 239-765-0865, [moundhouse.org](https://www.moundhouse.org)*



Friday, Sept. 16

September Music Walk, downtown Fort Myers

Downtown Fort Myers comes alive on the third Friday of the month as local and regional musicians line the streets. From jazz and blues to rock, many genres can be heard and vary each month. Free, 6-10 p.m. *River District Alliance, 2247 First St., Fort Myers, 239-313-5129, [myriverdistrict.com](https://www.myriverdistrict.com)*



Saturday, Sept. 17

International Coastal Cleanup, Lovers Key State Park, Fort Myers Beach

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Saturday, Sept. 17

Free Family Art Lab, Alliance for the Arts, Fort Myers

Drop in for free, hands-on family fun, 10 a.m.-noon Saturday. Explore something new every month, like art making, gallery activities, games and more. *Alliance for the Arts, 10091 McGregor Blvd., Fort Myers, 239-939-2787, artinlee.org*



Friday, Saturday & Sunday, Sept. 16-18

Vintage Market Days, Lee County Civic Center, North Fort Myers

Vintage Market Days is an upscale, open-air vintage-inspired event that has been featured in "Country Living" as one of "7 Flea Markets and Barn Sales not to miss." Ticket prices vary. *Lee County Civic Center, 11831 Bayshore Road, North Fort Myers, [Facebook: Vintage Market Days](https://www.facebook.com/VintageMarketDays)*

Ongoing events



Wet Walk, Six Mile Cypress Slough Preserve, Fort Myers

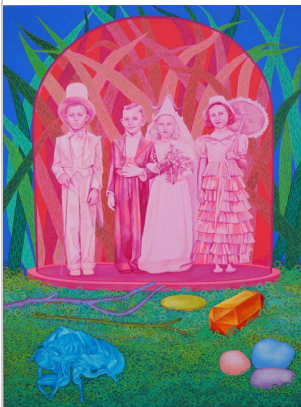
Get up close and personal and experience the beautiful wetlands. Led by trained guides, these walks follow a restricted, water-filled, sinuous trail through thick green ferns, towering cypress trees and chattering

woodpeckers. Water levels may reach chest high, depending on recent rainfall. Wet walks are held twice a day, at 9:30 a.m. and 1 p.m., lasting about two and a half hours. Sept. 14, Oct. 1, 8, 15, 19, 22 and 29. \$15 for Friends of Six Mile Cypress Slough Preserve members, \$25 for nonmembers. Reservations required at sloughfriendswetwalks@yahoo.com Six Mile Cypress Slough Preserve, 7751 Penzance Blvd., Fort Myers, 239-533-7550, sloughpreserve.org



Organic garden tours, Shangri-La Springs, Bonita Springs

Join Shangri-La Springs organic garden manager Cecelia Morales in a sensory-based walking tour of subtropical, tropical, annual and perennial crops and orchard. Learn about what makes a garden, organic garden methods and permaculture principles. Wear closed-toes shoes, sun protection such as hats, sunglasses, sunscreen and bring a refillable water bottle. The hourlong tour takes place Tuesdays and Wednesdays at 10 a.m. \$15, reservations required. *Shangri-La Springs, 27750 Old 41 Road, Bonita Springs, 239-949-0749, shangrilasprings.com*



"Nexus," FGCU Art Faculty Exhibition, Fort Myers

Part of Florida Gulf Coast University's 25th anniversary celebration, the exhibit shows investigations in social commentary and the environment, with works in paintings, ceramics, prints, sculptures and more. Free and open to the public. Visitors to campus should pick up a parking pass from the parking kiosk along the university's main entry. Through Sept. 29. *Wasmer Art*

Gallery, 10501 FGCU Blvd S Fort Myers, 239-590-7199, fgcu.edu/artgalleries/currentseason/nexus



Shell Crafters, Sanibel Island

Free class, supplies cost between \$3-\$5 and the shell crafters will help you make something special. 9 a.m.-3 p.m., class begins at 10 a.m. *The Community House*, 2173 Periwinkle Way, Sanibel, 239-472-2155, sanibelcommunityhouse.net



ECHO Global Farm Tours, North Fort Myers

Experience farming and gardening at its most creative, with unique demonstrations, plants and techniques being used to help farming families around the world. ECHO is also home to one of the largest collections of tropical food plants in the U.S. Guided walking tours are 90 minutes, 9:30 a.m. Tuesday-Saturday. *ECHO Global Farm*, 17391 Durrance Road, North Fort Myers, 239-543-3246, echonet.org



Yoga by the River, Edison and Ford Winter Estates, Fort Myers

Every Wednesday morning an hourlong yoga class allows you to step away from all of the 21st-century gadgets and focus on the moment. Class taught by Bonnie D'Angelo, a certified yoga instructor. All skill levels welcome. 10-11 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 14, 21 and 28. \$15 for members, \$20 nonmembers and can be purchased online or at ticket counter. Bring a yoga mat, water and towel. Admission to the site is not included. *Edison and Ford Winter Estates*, 2350 McGregor Blvd,

Fort Myers, 239-334-7419,

edisonfordwinterstates.org/calendar/



Butterfly House tours, Monday, Friday and Saturday, Cape Coral

The Tom Allen Memorial Butterfly House is home to many native Florida butterfly species, including the zebra longwing, the state butterfly. Guides explain the different butterflies, their caterpillars and host plants. Donations are accepted. 10:30 a.m. Monday, Friday and Saturday. *Rotary Park, 1340-1372 Rose Garden Road, Cape Coral, 239-549-4606, ccfriendsofwildlife.org/tom-allen-memorial-butterfly-garden*



Saturday coffee roasting demonstration at Dean Street Coffee Roastery, Fort Myers

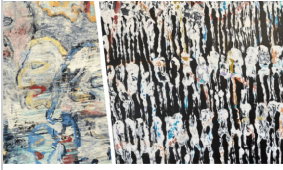
Enjoy an informal talk with the master roaster and see a live, free demonstration of the coffee roasting process. 10 a.m. Saturdays. *Dean Street Coffee Roastery, Luminary Hotel & Co., 2200 Edwards Drive, Fort Myers, 239-314-3853, luminaryhotel.com/taste*



True Tours, River District History Tours, Fort Myers

This Fort Myers walking tour educates and entertains with narratives of local history and acquaints you with the colorful personalities of founders of Fort Myers. Tour at 10:30 a.m. each first and third Saturday of the month. *True Tours, 2200 First St., Fort Myers, 239-945-0405, truetours.net*

Performing arts and exhibits



Alliance for the Arts, Fort Myers

- Hula dance class, Sept. 16
- Exhibit: "Creating Inside Out: The Art of Ian Summers," through Oct. 2

Alliance for the Arts, 10091 McGregor Blvd., Fort Myers, 239-939-2787, artinlee.org



The Belle Theatre, Cape Coral

- "Into the Woods," Sept. 16-25

The Belle Theatre, 2708 Santa Barbara Blvd., Cape Coral, 239-323-5533, thebelletheatre.com



Big Arts, Sanibel Island

- Big Arts Annual Juried Show, Sept. 16-Oct. 23

Big Arts, 900 Dunlop Road, Sanibel Island, 239-395-0900, bigarts.org



Broadway Palm Dinner Theatre, Fort Myers

- "Broadway Thru the Decades," through Oct. 1

Broadway Palm Dinner Theatre, 1380 Colonial Blvd., Fort Myers, 239-278-4422, broadwaypalm.com



Centers for the Arts, Bonita Springs

- Films for Film Lovers: "MacBeth," Sept. 19

Center for Performing Arts, 10150 Bonita Beach Road, Bonita Springs, 239-495-8989,

artcenterbonita.org/performances

- Fire and Ice (make a glass vase), Sept. 15
- Exhibit: "Nature's Blueprint: Biomimicry in Art and Design," through Oct. 20

Center for Visual Arts, 26100 Old 41 Road, Bonita Springs, 239-495-8989, artcenterbonita.org

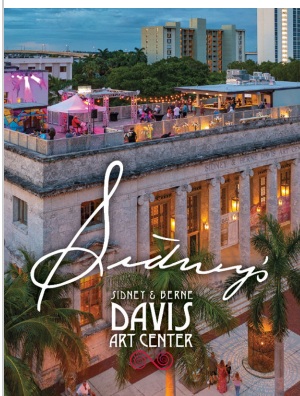


The Laboratory Theater of Florida, Fort Myers

- "The Play That Goes Wrong," Sept. 16-Oct. 9

The Laboratory Theater of Florida, 1634 Woodford Ave., Fort Myers, 239-218-0481,

laboratorytheaterflorida.com



Sidney & Berne Davis Art Center, downtown Fort Myers

- Sidney's Rooftop Sculpture Garden: Own the Platform, Sept. 14
- Art and Poetry Networking Event, Sept. 15
- Sidney's Rooftop Sculpture Garden: DJ Selecta AJ, Sept. 16
- Sound Immersion Ectatic Dance and Singing Bowl Meditation, Sept. 16
- Sacred Geometry Workshop: Genesis, Sept. 17

- Exhibit: "Through: Hurt to Hope - An art-versation by Kinfay/Hopeful Images," Sept. 13-17
- Exhibit: "A Place Beyond the Subconscious," through Sept. 28
- Exhibit: "Fractasia | Sacred Space in a Sacred Age," through Sept. 28

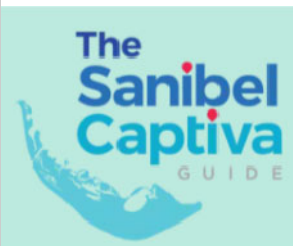
Sidney & Berne Davis Art Center, 2301 First St., Fort Myers, 239-333-1933, sbdac.com

Podcasts



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The Sanibel Captiva Guide Podcast

Sanibel residents Nick and Lori Adams, and son Max, interview the people who make Sanibel and Captiva special. They celebrate the history and experiences of the islands. thesancapguide.com/category/podcast



Otocast audio guide features Fort Myers historic sites

Available in the App Store and Google Play, Otocast features a tour of more than 30 historic sites in Fort Myers. otocast.com



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What'll you have? Guide to local breweries and distilleries

Touring and sampling the Fort Myers area's craft breweries and distilleries is one more way to learn about local products made in Southwest Florida.

CRAFT BREWERIES

- **Big Storm Brewing Co.**, 4721 SE 10th Place, Cape Coral, 239-257-1401, bigbluebrewing.com
- **Ceremony Brewing**, 10441 Packinghouse Lane, Bonita Springs, ceremonybrewing.com
- **Coastal Dayz Brewery**, 2161 McGregor Blvd., Fort Myers, 239-204-9665, coastaldayzbrewery.com
- **Crazy Dingo Brewing Co.**, 8500 Penzance Blvd., Fort Myers, crazydingobrewing.com, FB & Instagram @crazydingobrewing
- **Eight-Foot Brewing**, 4417 SE 16th Place, Unit 11, Cape Coral, 239-984-2655, eightfootbrewing.com
- **Fort Myers Brewing Company**, 12811 Commerce Lakes Drive, Suite 28, Fort Myers, 239-313-6576, fmbrew.com
- **Hopsized Brewing**, 9201 Cockleshell Drive, Unit 13, Bonita Springs, 786-762-5505, hopsizedbrewing.com
- **Millennial Brewing Co.**, 1811 Royal Palm Ave., Fort Myers, 239-271-2255, millennialbrewing.com
- **Palm City Brewing**, 7887 Drew Circle, Suite 130, Fort Myers, 239-292-6880, palmcitybrewingco.com
- **Point Ybel Brewing Company**, 16120 San Carlos Blvd., Suite 4, Fort Myers, 239-603-6535, pointybelbrew.com
- **Riptide Brewing Company's Bonita Springs Brewhouse**, 28120 Hunters Ridge Road, Bonita Springs, 239-949-9945, riptidebrewingcompany.com
- **Scotty's Bierwerks**, 901 E. Industrial Drive, Cape Coral, 239-888-5482, Facebook @scottysbierwerks
- **Tubby Pig Brewpub**, 3732 Cleveland Ave., Fort Myers, 239-362-1670, thetubbypigbrewpub.business.site

CRAFT DISTILLERIES

- **List Distillery - Mr. Tom's Spirits**, 3680 Evans Ave., Fort Myers, 239-208-7214, listdistillery.com
- **Red Horse Distillery**, 11000 Metro Parkway #23, Fort Myers, 239-888-9262, redhorsedistillery.com
- **Wicked Dolphin Rum Distillery**, 131 SW 3rd Place, Cape Coral, 239-242-5244, wickeddolphin.com

Southwest Florida Ale Trail passport – Visit swflaetrail.com or Facebook for information on this fun way to connect with local breweries.

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