



## WEEK OF JANUARY 27 – FEBRUARY 2, 2020

### *From the Desk of the City Manager*

Another very busy week at City Hall, below are a few highlights.

#### **Alleyway Tree Trimming in Portions of the Royal Poinciana Neighborhood**

As part of the ongoing Royal Poinciana Neighborhood Utility Project, crews are steadily working their way south from Sheridan Street to Hollywood Boulevard. In preparation for their arrival in the Johnson Street to Pembroke Road phase, the Department of Public Works crews will be out beginning tomorrow (Friday, January 31<sup>st</sup>) trimming trees and landscaping in alleyways from Johnson Street to Pembroke Road between Dixie Highway and US 1. Property owners are being asked to remove personal items and vehicles to ensure a clear path for crews and equipment. Tree trimming is expected to last through the month of February.

#### **North Beach Utilities Conversion**

The North Beach Utilities Conversion Project is to harden the utilities on the Barrier Island in the North Beach area just outside the Community Redevelopment District. The project's scope includes undergrounding of utilities, road resurfacing and pavement restoration, and new street lights. FPL is on schedule to provide the City's Department of Design and Construction Management (DCM) with preliminary cost estimates for their portion of the undergrounding in February. The same holds true for Comcast and AT&T.

Utility hardening will take place on the following streets between A1A and Surf Road: Balboa Street, Walnut Street, Desoto Street, Palm Street, Elm Street, Oak Street, Franklin Street, and Freedom Street.

Additionally, DCM has retained a surveying firm who has been tasked with providing a base survey to FPL for use in their design. Once all the locations have been surveyed, construction documents will be provided detailing the necessary roadway modifications to accommodate equipment, hardscape, landscaping and the lighting improvements.



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**Hollywood On The Go General Obligation Bond Parks Projects Update**

Bicentennial Park - Precision Playgrounds have installed the new playground equipment and swings and are planning for the installation of the final surface of rubber mulch. Staff has posted a Request for Proposals to resurface the entire walking path. Once a proposal is approved, the work will commence.

**David Park Community Center** – Bliss Products is the construction vendor for this project. The playground installation permit has now been approved and site preparation is underway. Construction is on schedule to begin by February 10<sup>th</sup>.

**Joe DiMaggio Park** - Top Line Recreation, Inc. is the construction vendor for this project. Craven Thompson & Associates Inc. completed the boundary and topographic survey of the park on Monday, January 27<sup>th</sup>. The survey results have been shared with Top Line Recreation so they may now begin the playground installation permitting process.

**Montella Park** - Rep Services Inc. is the construction vendor for this project. Sealed drawings have been submitted to the Broward School Board Facility and Construction Division, a requirement due to the property agreement with the County. The schoolboard's "share structure requirement" differs from the City's standard requirements so staff is working closely with Rep Services to continue to move forward.



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**General Fund Social Service Agency Grants Program**

The General Fund Social Service Agency Grant Program provides funding support to various non-profit organizations that provide services to our community in one of the eight focus areas:

- early childhood education
- STEAM-focused education (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, Mathematics)
- health, wellness or nutrition
- shelter and housing
- respite care and elder services
- diversity and cultural outreach
- training and career planning and development
- veteran services

Grant applications are reviewed and recommendations for funding are made by the Community Development Advisory Board. The application deadline for this next fiscal year is February 6<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 p.m. I encourage all to submit their applications as soon as possible to the Office of Budget & Performance Management here at City Hall.

**Financial Services Department**

Our accounting staff, in collaboration with external auditors, Treasury and Payroll, continue to work on the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report and audit requests. They also issued 1099 forms and filed the required returns with the State of Florida, with assistance from Procurement and Contract Compliance. Financial Services and Treasury are also collaborating with Hollywood Fire Rescue to update the fire rate study. One important change I am looking forward to incorporating this year are the Fire Rescue and Inspection Non-ad Valorem Assessment exemptions for permanently and totally disabled veterans and first responders. This proposed exemption will parallel the current property tax ad-valorem exemption that is already in place here in Hollywood.



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**Hollywood Police Department Update**

The Antonio Brown Case garnered national media attention and kept HPD staff extremely busy. I would like to acknowledge the professionalism of the entire force on this high profile case. In fact, ESPN television personality Steven Smith specifically spoke about the professionalism demonstrated by the Department. The Command Staff cordially invites the public to the next "Coffee With A Cop," which will be held at Starbucks, 3305 Sheridan Street on Tuesday (February 4<sup>th</sup>) at 10:00 a.m. This is a fantastic opportunity for the community to interact with our officers, and address any issues specific to their neighborhood. All are welcome to attend.

**Human Resources Update**

Continuing education of our employees continues to be a priority. Staff participated in multiple courses including SUNSational Customer Service, Accountability for Results, and the HeartSaver CPR/AED training. Last year, approximately 100 City employees were certified or recertified in the life-saving HeartSaver training. HR staff partnered with Community Marketing and Economic Development (CMED) to host Junior Achievement Career Bound students from Blanche Ely High School. The workshop included Career Success Skills, showcased some of the entry level City positions, and discussed volunteer opportunities available in our community.

**Commission Fiscal Strategy Workshop**

The City Commission and the City's Executive Management team held a half day workshop to kick-off the City's planning for the 2021 fiscal year budget. Our Assistant City Manager for Finance and Administration Adam Reichbach and the budget team compiled an engaging presentation designed to align the City's budgeting priorities with the goals identified in the newly adopted Strategic Plan. The workshop featured an economic overview by Professor Ned Murray from FIU's Jorge M. Perez Metropolitan Center and a detailed presentation on planning for a resilient future by Hollywood Resident Dr. Nancy Gassman, who serves as the Assistant Public Works Director for the City of Fort Lauderdale. Through robust discussion and input, the Commission provided important insight into their policy priorities for the upcoming year.



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Finally, I would like to take a moment to thank all the engaged residents who came out to the Commission in the Community Open Forum on Wednesday evening in west Hollywood. The discussion was lively and included topics such as Vacation Rentals, the Yellow Green Farmers Market, the Former Sunset Golf Course property, and Paddle boarding on Hollywood Beach. The forum lasted for several hours as all in attendance were heard. Feedback from the meeting will be considered and incorporated as staff continues to move forward with our strategic plan.



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### **QUIPS**

#### **Office of Communications, Marketing and Economic Development ROI**

CMED staff attended the NAIOP Commercial Real Estate Development Association, 2020 Economic Outlook Chapter Meeting and the City sponsored "Invest: Greater Fort Lauderdale 2020 Launch Conference."

Economic Development staff participated in the third session of the Workforce Development Strategies Online Course, hosted by the IEDC (International Economic Development Council). Staff learned about occupational analysis, industry and regional cluster-based strategies, and the importance of innovation in growing and sustaining industries.

An informational 1<sup>st</sup> quarter update on the Commercial Property Improvement Program (CPIP) is in the works. Ten new applications have already been submitted in the first quarter of FY2020 and to date, there has been \$61,667.51 allotted for improvements that are either completed or underway.

CMED staff coordinated a visit by Blanche Ely High School students from the Junior Achievement Career Bound Program. The students enjoyed breakfast at City Hall while learning all about the inner workings of municipal government. A mock commission meeting in the chambers gave the students a hands-on experience. Human Resources staff held an interactive presentation on career success skills which focused on first impressions, dressing for success, handshaking, introductions, and job interviewing. The students were also taken through the employment application process and were encouraged to register for volunteer and internship opportunities. Junior Achievement of South Florida was recently named the Distinguished Organization of the Year by FAU's Research Park, whose focus is innovation, invention and entrepreneurship to accelerate economic development and prosperity. The City of Hollywood is proud to be considered a significant catalyst for economic development by Junior Achievement of South Florida due to our ongoing support to connect business and education.

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On January 26<sup>th</sup>, staff met with several current and future Greater Hollywood Chamber of Commerce (GHCC) members at the CIRCLE of Women Industry Group, held at their Downtown Hollywood headquarters. Staff also attended the GHCC Education Community Meeting at Sheridan Technical College on January 29<sup>th</sup>, along with principals from numerous Hollywood schools, representatives from our community's businesses, and Ann Murray, District 1 Broward County School Board Member.

As a part of the Neighborhood Pride Program, the City of Hollywood's Office of Communications, Marketing & Economic Development is excited to launch its first series of Work Skills Training Scholarship Programs through its partnership with Broward College. The goal of the Work Skills Training Scholarship Program is to provide access to work skills that enable residents to gain new skills that could assist in obtaining employment opportunities. Registration is now open for the following courses and are provided at no cost to residents located in 33020, 33021, 33023, 33024, 33312: Microsoft Excel Certificate, Microsoft Excel Data Analysis, Lean Six Sigma White Belt, and Lean Six Sigma Yellow Belt. More information on registration and available courses can be found at <https://choosehollywoodfl.eventbrite.com>.

Communications staff conducted refresher training sessions for website liaisons to review how they can add department or office events to the City website calendar. Staff also made several website updates to the Development Services webpage, and is working on building the First Time Homebuyers Purchase Assistance webpage. Staff is currently in production on the next issue of New Horizons.



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#### **Office of Communications, Marketing and Economic Development ROI – (continued)**

Communications staff met with the organizers of the Free Our Seas Art Festival to offer marketing and outreach assistance for their upcoming event. The City partners with the organization in an efforts to promote and gain volunteers for the event that will take place on Saturday, April 25<sup>th</sup> at the Marine Environmental Education Center on Hollywood Beach. Last year's event was very successful, attracting more than 4,000 attendees for a family friendly day full of environmentally friendly activities.

As Census outreach continues, staff has scheduled banners to be hung city-wide next week that include important information regarding the 2020 Census. Communications staff compiled information to generate email notifications this week that were sent to email subscribers.

Designers created social media and website graphics for multiple upcoming events, created programs for the Commission in the Community Open Forum and drafted an informational brochure related to boat docks.

Production staff finished recording footage for a video featuring the new lifeguard towers on Hollywood Beach. Staff also took photos at the Commission Fiscal Strategy Kick Off on Thursday.

#### **Stay In The Know. Here's Where To Find The Information:**

- Subscribe to the City's twice weekly Notify Me "News and Announcements" eblast: <http://www.hollywoodfl.org/list.aspx>
- Follow the City's Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn, YouTube and Instagram accounts
- Read the City Manager's Weekly Report: <http://www.hollywoodfl.org/127/City-Managers-Weekly-Report>
- Visit the City's website for timely information and event calendars
- Watch the City's Government Access Channel, Comcast 78 or ATT U-Verse Channel 99
- Look for the next edition of the City's quarterly magazine New Horizons in your mailbox in February



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**Office of Human Resources**

There are currently 30 open career opportunities posted on the City's Job Employment page. Interested individuals with a desire to contribute to public service for the betterment of our community may apply here: <https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/hollywoodfl>.

This week, two employees applied for tuition reimbursement through the City's tuition reimbursement program to further the skillsets and education of our City employees:

Mondy Claude, Public Utilities, MPA-Public Administration  
Yardira Kau, City Attorney office, AS-Paralegal Studies

Other employees currently in the program include:

Bazile, Keith, Public Utilities, BA-Sustainability and Environment  
Claude, Mondy, Public Utilities, MPA-Public Administration  
Collazo, Joshua, Public Works, BA-Public Administration  
Jones, Alessa, Public Utilities, BA-Finance  
Kau, Yadira, Attorney office, AS-Paralegal Studies  
Robinson, Roy, Code/Development Services, AS-Criminal Justice

We wish all much success in their continued devotion to learning and educational achievements.



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**Police Department**

Last week was especially busy, due to the Antonio Brown Case getting national attention. I would like to address the professionalism of the Hollywood Police Department, which was once again noticed and recognized on national television. CNN, ESPN, Associated Press etc.



Steven Smith's nationally televised broadcast on ESPN, where he speaks of the professionalism and restraint demonstrated by the Hollywood Police Department.

The Hollywood Police Explores are continuing their training and getting ready for their yearly competition held at Port Everglades in March 2020. This week their training consisted of building clearing and communications. We wish them luck.



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**Parks and Recreation and Cultural Arts**

**Community Meeting Schedule – Master Plan**

Join us in the master planning process for the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Arts master Plan 2030. This process will be facilitated by Barth and Associates, our contractor working on the project. PRCA staff will be there to hear your ideas to answer any questions about the process.

We want your thoughts and feedback on our community direction. Each workshop will have a brief presentation on the process and time for community input. This is one of the first steps in the development of the plan. Each meeting will have the same format and are located at various times and locations across the city.

***Tuesday, February 4***

*Fred Lippman Multi-Purpose Center*

2030 Polk Street, 10:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

*Boulevard Heights Community Center*

6770 Garfield Street, 2:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

*Driftwood Community Center*

3000 North 69<sup>th</sup> Avenue, 5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

***Wednesday, February 5***

*Hollywood Beach Culture and Community Center*

1301 South Ocean Drive, 7:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.

*Kay Gaither Community Center*

6291 Funston Street, 10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a. m.

*Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Community Center*

2400 Charleston Street, 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

***Thursday, February 6***

*Washington Park Community Center,*

5199 Pembroke Road, 10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.



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**CURRENT**

**Free Gardening Classes  
Saturday, February 1**

Join your neighbors to learn how to grow your own fruits and vegetables. Classes will take place the first and last Saturday of each month through September. The next class will take place at 10:00 a.m. at the Oak Lake Park Community Garden, 3190 North 56<sup>th</sup> Avenue in West Hollywood.

Space is limited and open to gardeners ages 16 and up. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Please RSVP your attendance by calling 954.921.3404.

**Dream Car Classic  
Sunday, February 2**

The monthly Downtown Hollywood Dream Car Classic takes place along Hollywood Boulevard between 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> Avenues from 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. The Dream Car Classic features dozens of classic cars, trucks and other one-of-a-kind vehicles on display. Attendance is free. There is a \$20.00 charge for those who wish to have their vehicles on display.

To pre-register for the Dream Car Classic, email Joe Bevelacqua at [jbevsvr@msn.com](mailto:jbevsvr@msn.com) and include your vehicle's make and model. Vehicles also will be registered the morning of the show as space permits. Participation is limited to 85 vehicles with awards for the Top 30 vehicles and the People's Choice Award. For additional information on the Dream Car Classic, please contact us at 954.825.1027.

**WEEK OF JANUARY 27 – FEBRUARY 2, 2020****CURRENT – (continued)****Hollywood Hot Glass  
Ongoing**

Hollywood Hot Glass is one of the largest interactive glass studios on the East Coast featuring the Hot Glass Class. Our experienced glass artisans make learning the basics a fun and engaging process. Come take part in our Hot Glass Class, experience and see firsthand what it's like to be a glass blower for a day. We also specialize in private lessons, field trips, corporate events, birthday parties, and much more. We are open Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday from 2:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. at ArtsPark. For additional information visits us at [www.hollywoodhotglass.com](http://www.hollywoodhotglass.com) or contact us at 954.732.7231.

**Hollywood Metal Studio  
Ongoing**

Hollywood Metal Studio is one of the few metal studios in Miami. Ana Esther Soued spearheaded the start-up and development of the studio at the Arts Park 8 years ago. She designs and creates unique one-of-a-kind custom jewelry, utilitarian and decorative pieces in silver, gold, precious and semi-precious stones. Esther teaches metal works in its finest expression on a one-to-one basis and in group classes to adults and young professionals.

Her classes are fun and dynamic, and she encourages and guides her students in their own process of discovering their creativity and potential as artists. For additional information, please contact us at 305.450.5125. Website: [anaestherdesigns.com](http://anaestherdesigns.com).



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**Jen Clay Textile & Animation Artist Studio Ongoing**

Jen Clay is a local Broward artist and with a MFA and BFA in sculpture. She works to create textiles through fabric manipulation and rug making techniques. Her practice includes creating stop motion animations and sews costumes for installations and video works. Feel free to come by for demonstrations in Claymation and rug making and see what projects she is working on.

In 2015 her short film, *Schools*, was accepted into Visionaria in Milan, Italy. Clay was voted "Best Emerging Artist" for 2016 by the New Times of Broward and Palm Beach. In 2016 Clay's Outdoor Projection Series was awarded a Knight Challenge Award for two years of programming. Upcoming projects include *Dual Roles* at Hollywood Art and Culture Center for June 2018 and an interactive installation at Young at Art Museum in November 2018. Studio open hours are Monday, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday from 5:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.





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### **UPCOMING**

#### **Technical Advisory Committee**

##### **Monday, February 3**

The Committee will meet at 1:30 p.m. at 2600 City Hall, Room 215 to discuss:  
Site Plan Review for a 20 unit residential development.  
Site Plan Review for a 30 unit residential development (Washington Flats).

Pre-Application Conceptual Overview (PACO) items will be discussed following TAC items. For more information, please contact the Department of Development Services, Planning and Urban Design Division, 954.921.3471, option 3

#### **Food Trucks at ArtsPark**

##### **Monday, February 3**

Bring a blanket or a beach chair and a hearty appetite to the Food Trucks at ArtsPark. Monday evening from 5:30 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. Select from over 20 different food trucks. Admission is free. Menu prices vary. Visit <http://burgerbeast.com/arts-park/> for this week's truck line-up.

#### **Public Flood Risk Open House**

##### **Thursday, February 6**

All Broward County residents and business owners are invited to attend an upcoming Public Flood Risk Open House to learn about their flood risk, view Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) newly updated preliminary flood insurance rate maps (FIRMs) and find out how the information may impact their property. A variety of specialists will be available to answer questions about flood insurance, engineering, and more.

The open house will be held in Hollywood at the Anne Kolb Nature Center Mangrove Hall at 751 Sheridan Street from 4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. No appointments are necessary but if you're going, be sure to bring elevation certificates for your property if possible. There are alternate dates and locations outside of Hollywood. For additional information, please visit <https://webapps6.broward.org/NewsRelease/View.aspx?intMessageID=12054>

**WEEK OF JANUARY 27 – FEBRUARY 2, 2020****UPCOMING – (continued)****ArtsPark Movie Night****POSTPONED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE**

The Friday Night Movie at the ArtsPark at Young Circle has been postponed until further notice. The City's existing media partner responsible for movie licensing no longer provides for outside showings of popular movies. Staff is working to enter into a new agreement with an authorized licensing company. The Friday Night Movie at ArtsPark will return once a new contract is put into place. We thank you for your patience and understanding.

**CanadaFest****Friday, February 7 through Sunday, February 9**

Canadafest, the popular musical festival and trade show is taking place at the ArtsPark at Young Circle in downtown Hollywood in February. Festivities kick off at 7:00 p.m. on Friday evening and continue from 10:00 a.m. until 9:00 p.m. on Saturday and 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Sunday.

Attendees can enjoy an impressive list of performers and artists and discover the Canadian culture through music and dance. For additional information, please call 954.921.3500.

**Hollywood Beach Sweep Clean-Up****Saturday, February 8**

Help keep Hollywood Beach beautiful by volunteering for the Hollywood Beach Sweep Clean-Up on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of each month, from 7:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. at Charnow Park, 300 Connecticut Street and the Hollywood Beach Boardwalk.

Volunteers meet to collect litter and cigarette butts from the sandy beach. Volunteers are asked complete the registration form found on the City's website under Beach Sweep. Children, ages 8 and older, are welcome to participate when accompanied by an adult. Gloves and garbage bags are provided to all volunteers along with safety instructions. Remember to dress appropriately, wear sunscreen and bring a completed registration form with you.

**WEEK OF JANUARY 27 – FEBRUARY 2, 2020****UPCOMING – (continued)****5<sup>th</sup> Annual "Be Mine" Dog Show Scholarship Fundraiser  
Saturday, February 8**

Bring your prized pooch, your human friends and family for a Valentine's celebration full of fur-friendly fun. The 5<sup>th</sup> Annual "BE MINE" Dog Show will be held from 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. at Stan Goldman "Hollywoof" Dog Park at 800 Knights Road in Hollywood. Dogs will compete in categories such as: Best Trick, Best Dress/Look-A-Like, Most Obedient, Best Talent and more. The free family event will have raffle prizes, vendors and a silent auction with proceeds to benefit the Hollywood Council of Civic Associations' Pete Brewer Scholarship Fund for graduating Hollywood high school seniors.

There is an entry fee of \$5.00 per dog, per category and proof of current vaccinations is required. Donations, vendors and volunteers are still needed. To volunteer or for additional information on the event, please visit [www.hccacentral.org](http://www.hccacentral.org), call 954.662.3612 or visit the Facebook page: Be Mine Annual Dog Show.

**Downtown Hollywood ArtWalk  
Saturday, February 15**

Do some shopping, grab a bite to eat, or pop into an art gallery while enjoying art, cultural entertainment, live music and the murals at the *Downtown Hollywood ArtWalk* from 6:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m. A *FREE Guided Mural Tour* begins at 6:00 p.m. at the Visitor Center Information Booth at the corner of 20<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Hollywood Boulevard. Learn the stories behind the art and artists! The *Downtown Hollywood Artisan Market at Artwalk* on Harrison Street between 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> Avenue, features pop-up shops, artist showcases, handmade items, local purveyors, vintage shopping and fun!

At 8:00 p.m. artist Daniel Pontet, accompanied by Jeff Lee of Resurrection Drums, entertains the crowds at 2001 Van Buren Street with Impulse Art, a fusion of music and foot painting. For additional information, please contact the Hollywood Community Redevelopment Agency at 954.924.2980 or visit [www.FloridasHollywood.org/ArtWalk](http://www.FloridasHollywood.org/ArtWalk).

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Saturday, February 15**

The Chris Hixon Memorial 5k, will honor the memory of Chris Hixon: a friend, Coach, Father and great human being. All proceeds will support the Chris Hixon Athletic Scholarship foundation. The race is from 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. at Charnow Park at 300 Connecticut Street on Hollywood Beach. Register for 5K, virtual 5K or kids fun run at <https://runsignup.com/Race/Events/FL/Hollywood/ChrisHixonMemorialRun>

Immediately following the race medals will be awarded to all finishers followed by a Celebration of Life.

**Valentine's Celebration with Self-published Authors  
Sunday, February 16**

The Friends of the Stirling Road Branch Library, in partnership with the Posnack JCC is proudly presenting a "Valentine's Celebration with Self-published Authors" at 11:00 a.m. at 3151 Stirling Road. Bagels and coffee will be served.

Hear these self-published authors read an excerpt from their work and describe their process of writing and publishing. Fiction, Non-Fiction, Vampires, Mysteries, Histories, and Memoirs – Our Local Authors Have Everything Covered! Come support the writers among us! Contact us at 954.351.7550 for additional information

**Global Meditation  
Sunday, February 16**

We practice and teach a form of meditation that relaxes the mind and nurtures a healthy balance between our inner and outer worlds. Through numerous social service activities and partnerships, we promote spiritual understanding, leadership with integrity and elevated actions towards a better world. Global Meditation takes place at ArtsPark at Young Circle in Downtown Hollywood from 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. For additional information please call 954.962.7447 or visit:

<https://www.facebook.com/brahmakumarishollywood/>.

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Saturday, February 22**

Sponsors and golfers wanted for the Bulldog Golf Tournament that benefits the athletics program at South Broward High School. There will be prizes, beverages and snacks, luncheon and banquet, raffles, auction, and more. The shotgun start at Orangebrook Golf and Country Club 400 Entrada Drive is at 8:00 a.m.

Find out more at <https://www.sbhsdawgpound.com/resources/south%20broward%20golf%20flier%200%202020%20rev.pdf>

**Mardi Gras  
Sunday, February 23**

"Let the Good Times Roll" as Mardi Gras returns to Downtown Hollywood. This family friendly event will feature a walking parade, crawfish boil, king cakes, plenty of beads, King and Queen costume contest, live music, artisan vendors, children's activities and much more. Mardi Gras takes place from 1:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. in Downtown Hollywood at 1920 Hollywood Boulevard.

**Talented 10<sup>th</sup> Poetry Slam  
Tuesday, February 25**

The City of Hollywood's African American Advisory Council invites high school students to participate in a poetry/spoken word night at Hollywood City Hall, 2600 Hollywood Boulevard from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Refreshments and networking in the City Hall 2<sup>nd</sup> floor lobby begins at 5:30 p.m.

Students are encouraged to write their poems based on the topic "African Americans and the Vote." Students will recite their poems during the event in front of the community audience. First place winners will receive an "iPad Mini," the second place winner will receive a "Samsung Tablet," and the third place winner will receive a "Kindle Tablet" courtesy of the Liberia Economic and Social Development and AT&T Pioneers. Poems must be submitted prior to the event. For Poetry Slam details and contest rules, visit: <http://www.hollywoodfl.org/1081/Talented-10th-Poetry-Slam>.