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GASSED UP FOR SUPERCAR WEEK

Establishing The Palm Beaches as the go-to hub for car enthusiasts, the 9th annual **SUPERCAR WEEK** rides into town January 5-13, 2019. The largest South Florida event of its kind, SuperCar Week is a one-mile waterfront exhibition of the greatest automobiles in the world. The adrenaline-fueled spectacular will also be making pit stops at several cities during its nine-day run. Neil London, President/ Executive Producer of SuperCar Week, believes it's his mission to "define Palm Beach County as a significant auto enthusiasts and motorsports travel destination."

SuperCars in West Palm Beach

SuperCar Week is nine days of both free to the public and invite-only VIP events held throughout The Palm Beaches. It all culminates at the beautiful **West Palm Beach Waterfront** on **Flagler** which is transformed into a cityscape of jaw-dropping vehicles. Last year over 100,000 visitors experienced the high-octane fun of this unique showcase. This year SuperCar Week includes the SuperCar Horsepower exhibition, opening day of the **International Polo Club** season in **Wellington**, events at **Palm Beach International Raceway** in **Jupiter** as well as **Palm Beach Gardens, Boca Raton, Delray Beach, Palm Beach** and **West Palm Beach.** On January 13, the waterfront becomes an automobile paradise. Car fanatics can stroll down SuperCar Street, Muscle Beach, Green Street for Electrics, Corvette Court, Viper Blvd., Mustang Manor, ArtCar Avenue and more! Topping it off, two one-hour television shows are being produced in conjunction with London's **ICTV1 Network** by **RevmaMedia** for **Discovery Network's** new **Motor Trend Channel**, previously the Velocity Channel. Race over to supercarweek.com for more!

TREVOR NOAH TAKES TROPICAL DIP

Trevor Noah takes on South Florida in a recent episode of ***The Daily Show with Trevor Noah***. The popular **Comedy Central** show filmed a week's worth of "Undesked" shows in Palm Beach County and Miami. October 30th's episode opened with a comedic segment featuring Noah jumping in the water in front of "Winter White House" **Mar-A-Lago**, thinking he's caught a glimpse of President Trump. The crew from **Viacom Inc** hired boats from **Jupiter Dive Center**, including a 38-foot catamaran and a 20-foot boat used as camera and support boats and a dinghy to be used in the segment. The boats departed from the **City Docks** in **West Palm Beach** and the **Riviera Beach Municipal Marina**, moving south down the **Intracoastal Waterway** to film directly in front of Mar-A-Lago – as close as they could possibly get. Watch the episode at cc.com/shows/the-daily-show-with-trevor-noah.

Noah in front of Mar-A-Lago

TITANS IN THE PALM BEACHES

Dwayne "The Rock" Johnson's desire to motivate global audiences to reach their potential for greatness has given rise to a new athletic competition. Men and women across the country step inside the "Titan arena" and achieve the impossible in NBC's **The Titan Games**. Their production team recently visited The Palm Beaches to film the daily life of one local **West Palm Beach Fire Rescue** employee who will push her body to the limits in the head-to-head challenges on the show. Producer Bryan Riches shared, "Can't thank the AWESOME folks at the WPB Fire Department enough for letting us film with them. The second the alarm went off, everyone stopped what they were doing with us and took the call--you're all in phenomenal hands!" The series will premiere on Thursday, January 3, 2019 with recurring episodes every Thursday at 8pm. For more information, use the hashtag #TheTitanGames on social media or visit nbc.com/the-titan-games.

OTTERBOX ADVENTURES TO PBC

Summerjax, a full-service production company known for working with brands like Disney, Roxy, Hollister, and Fender, chose The Palm Beaches as their location of choice for a new series of promotional material for **Otterbox** protective cellphone cases, the #1 most trusted brand in smartphone protection. Summerjax took product and lifestyle shots at some of Palm Beach County's most visually appealing parks, including **Phil Foster Park** in **Riviera Beach** and **Riverbend Park** and **Jupiter Beach Park** in **Jupiter**. **Palm Beach County Parks & Recreation** naturalists were instrumental in helping the Summerjax team find an ideal spot in 666-acre Riverbend Park. To learn more, visit summerjax.com.

SUBMIT FOR YOUR BIG BREAK

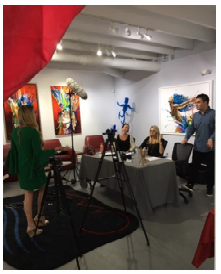
It's festival submission season in Palm Beach County! Deadlines are quickly approaching for several 2019 festivals for students and seasoned professionals alike. The **Boynton Beach Short Film Festival**, held from April 30-May 5, 2019, celebrates edgy, inspirational storytelling. The deadline for submissions is December 30, 2018. The **Boca Raton Jewish Film Festival** will run from March 10-March 31, 2019, and the screening committee is hard at work selecting another outstanding lineup of feature, documentary and short films. **The Palm Beaches Student Showcase of Films** is the Florida's largest competition and awards show for student filmmakers, screenwriters and digital media artists. The deadline for submissions is January 25, 2019, and finalists will be honored at an electrifying award show on April 5 at **Lynn University** in **Boca Raton**. See more at pbfilm.com/film-festival-in-palm-beach-county.

DANISH DOCTOR IN DANISH DOC

The Palm Beaches recently hosted **Danish** production company **Filmforsyningen** in various parts of the County. The Filmforsyningen crew, a 3-man team lead by director Torben Glarbo, are in their second year of production on a documentary about **Dr. Else Marie Bukdahl**, a leading expert on Baroque art. Dr. Bukdahl is a visiting professor at **Florida Atlantic University** since 2007 and former president of the Royal Danish Academy of Fine Arts. The Filmforsyningen team filmed Dr. Bukdahl's lecture on symbolism in Baroque art at the university, in addition to filming a graduate roundtable discussion and interviews at various locations throughout the area including **Delray Beach** and the **Everglades**. The documentary will uncover stories from Dr. Bukdahl's life and impressive academic career. See more about the production team at filmforsyningen.dk.

ART IN THE HEART OF DELRAY

A totally unique and eclectic new gallery has opened in **Delray Beach** and offers something for everyone. **The Heart of Delray Gallery** is a 14,000 square-foot space featuring art of all kinds: paintings, sculpture, photography, jewelry, antiques and more. There are private studios that are rented to individual artists and a private garden space with a magnificent fountain, making it an ideal location for a cocktail party or other events. The space also serves as a studio for two productions. Gallery owner Daniel Cianciotto produces an art competition series, ***America's Fine Artist***, which will stream on YouTube in late December. ***The Brooklyn Café***, a syndicated TV/radio talk series hosted by Dawn and Freddy S., is also filmed at the gallery. Visit TheHeartofDelrayGallery.com for more.



On Set in Gallery

THE PALM BEACHES TV NOW AIRING IN NEW PUBLIC SPACES

The Palm Beaches TV is now airing in **CityPlace**! The Satellite is a pop-up gallery and event space produced by the **Cultural Council of Palm Beach County** where visitors can watch The Palm Beaches TV to learn more about the experiences to be had in the area. The channel offers high-quality, tourism-related, family programming that can also be seen at the Palm Beach International Airport on two screens in the Baggage Claim area, and as a designated channel in every cabin of Bahamas Paradise Cruise Line's Grand Classica ship. In addition, The Palm Beaches TV airs in guest rooms at the Marriott Singer Island, the PGA National Resort & Spa, the DoubleTree (Palm Beach Gardens) and in public venues such as the Palm Beach Convention Center, the Cultural Council and the lobby of the Brazilian Court Hotel. Owned and operated by Olympusat, Inc., the channel is available anytime, anywhere on **Roku** and by visiting **ThePalmBeaches.TV.**

WATCH IT. SHARE IT. LIVE IT.

The Satellite Pop-Up at CityPlace

ZOOMING IN ON THE DELRAY LIFESTYLE

Cotton & Company, a real estate marketing agency out of Stuart, recently ventured to The Palm Beaches to highlight some of the top reasons to live in **Delray Beach** as they promote the upcoming ***Ocean Delray*** oceanfront residences. As John Farina, President/CEO of US Construction told BusinessWire, "Delray Beach has become one of the most sought-after coastal towns in the United States." The production team captured lifestyle images with their talent enjoying a variety of local restaurants and hotspots, including those along Atlantic Avenue and the Pineapple Grove Arts District. Ocean Delray will replace Wright By The Sea, becoming the first oceanfront condo building offered in decades since the last was built in 1974. Check out more of Cotton & Company's previous work at thecottonsolution.com.

Wright By The Sea

G-STAR GATHERS MORE ACCOLADES

G-Star School of the Arts will need a bigger trophy case as the national awards keep pouring in. The PBC high school for film, animation and performing arts received two prestigious awards from **2019 Best High Schools – Niche.com**, a comprehensive ranking of public and private schools. The newest accolades are **Best High Schools for the Arts in America** and **Best College Prep High Schools in America**. The Niche 2019 Rankings are based on academic and student life data from the U.S. Department of Education along with test scores, college data, parent and student reviews, and ratings from millions of Niche users. The new honors join other national awards for G-Star including Best High Schools in America (*US News & World Report*), America's Most Challenging High Schools (*The Washington Post*) and The Number One High School for Film in the World (*Raindance Film Festival, London*). See more at gstarschool.org.

DIRECTOR KICKS OFF CULTURE SERIES

The **Cultural Council of Palm Beach County's** 14th annual **Culture & Cocktails** kicked off with **Doug Liman**, a film director and television producer behind a long line of box office hits including *The Bourne Identity*, *Mr. & Mrs. Smith* and *Edge of Tomorrow.* Doug was interviewed at the event by his mother Ellen Liman, painter and owner of the Liman Gallery Palm Beach. As Doug told *The Palm Beacher* magazine, "My mom has always been my best agent." The theme of this year's Culture & Cocktails is "legends", as each of the five featured guests have outstanding achievements in their field. Another Hollywood exec will be featured on February 24, 2019 when **Charles S. Cohen** takes the stage at **The Colony Hotel**. See more at events.palmbeachculture.com.

Doug Liman

HOLLYWOOD GLAM ON DISPLAY

Take a journey back in time and see true old Hollywood glam with ***Star Power: Edward Steichen's Glamour Photography***. The 80-image photo retrospective is currently on display at **The Flagler Museum** and continues through January 2019. In 1923, painter and fine art photographer Edward Stecihen accepted the prestigious position of chief photographer for Condé Nast publications ***Vogue*** and ***Vanity Fair***. During his 15 years at the magazines, he photographed celebrities such as Walt Disney, Marlene Dietrich, George Gershwin, Greta Garbo and many more. While Steichen is considered to be one of the most prolific and influential figures in the history of photography, few of his portraits have been exhibited, until now. For information on the exhibit and guided tours, visit theflaglermuseum.com.

Gloria Swanson

PAHOKEE SHOWCASED IN NEW DOC

Director/Producers **Bhawin Suchak** and **Ira McKinley** with **Social Change in Mind Productions** (with help from Youth FX) are currently filming a documentary in **Pahokee** titled ***Outta The Muck***. The documentary will explore the town from the perspective of the Dean family who has lived there for generations. Ira has a special connection to the community, where he used to visit family while growing up. "It has been especially nice to reconnect with family in the area through the process of making this film," said Ira. "The landscape in the Glades is incredibly beautiful, and we have captured some amazing footage." The film is currently in production with support from **Sundance, Southern Documentary Fund** and **ITVS**. "In addition to showcasing the documentary at festivals, on television and streaming online, we hope to incorporate a broad plan to screen in historic black communities across the country," said Bhawin. See more at itvs.org/films/outta-the-muck.

McKinley & Suchak On Location

LOCATION SPOTLIGHT
FASHION LOCATIONS

As we head into season, the winter photoshoots are all about fashion and accessories against a spectacular Palm Beach County backdrop.

West Palm Beach

Urban and city vibes are easy to find downtown **West Palm Beach**, with an ever-growing selection of art walls to choose from, as well as the fountain area near the **Harriet Himmel Theatre** and the row houses surrounding **CityPlace**. Lifestyle images are an easy fit on **Flagler Drive** with its curving sidewalk and roadway. Train station shots range from the modern Brightline to the vintage angles at the Tri-Rail Station.

A more industrial backdrop is found at the **Boynton Beach Art District**, also referred to as BBAD. The area is an artist destination with murals rotating after several weeks; the look is always fresh and fun. Coastal images are found at **Ocean Inlet Park** where coral rocks and docks are found on the Intracoastal Waterway and large black boulders on the beach. There are myriad coastal options in this eclectic town by the sea.

Boynton Beach

Wellington

Wellington is the place to capture angles for polo, equestrian and western labels. With miles of split rail fencing and horses on every corner, Wellington is the go-to for paddocks, stables and tack rooms with a range that spans utility to high-end luxury and everything in between. The many bridle trails in the community make perfect backdrops along with undeveloped natural areas at the **Peaceful Waters Sanctuary**.

Need more options? Find the perfect backdrop for your production online via the Film & Television Commission's extensive Locations Database at pbfilm.com.

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SACRED HEART CAPTURES EVERGLADES

Sacred Heart Students

52 intrepid students from **Sacred Heart School** in **Lake Worth** explored the **Loxahatchee National Wildlife Refuge** for ***The Everglades: Through the Eyes of Children***, a photo project with **The Everglades Foundation** and the **Norton Museum of Art**. Ten area professionals came along to teach them how to frame images while observing such animals as alligators and egrets. "The students are shooting from their vision," said Candace Tamposi, principal of Sacred Heart School. "Some of them have never seen the Everglades. It's a big deal and the kids are proud of their work." The best 24 will be displayed on January 24 at **Findlay Galleries** in **Palm Beach** with the top three students receiving their very own cameras! Sacred Heart students follow a STEM curriculum with an emphasis on science and environmental education. Learn more at sacredheartschoollakeworth.com.

BEYOND PRODUCTION

Students in Control Room

Rose Lee, Executive Producer of **The Rose Lee Show**, has been leading the disability mentoring at **Archer Disability Foundation** since 1999. The foundation works to present mentoring events that benefit students with disabilities and job seekers by introducing the skill sets needed for a variety of employment opportunities. "Caregivers of persons with disabilities know how difficult it will be for their child to enter the workplace with only 17% employment rate for persons with disabilities. Parents like myself struggle to meet their personal employment and career goals, while addressing their parental responsibilities," said Rose Lee. Recently the foundation took a group of students to **Palm Beach County's Ch. 20** station to experience a day in the life of working in a TV environment. Students acted as on-camera hosts, worked in the control room and had real hands on experiences to explore production as future career option. See more at archerdisabilityfoundation.org.

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