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NEIGHBORHOOD GUIDE: OUR FAVORITE SPOTS IN FLAGLER VILLAGE

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Flagler Village ramps up its art and creative appeal, and the neighborhood develops.





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In a few years, Fort Lauderdale's Flagler Village, which encompasses FATVillage (for Flagler Art Technology), will be home to the All Aboard Florida passenger rail station, but it's already the center of Fort Lauderdale's increasingly less auto-dependent future. Today, it's a blossoming urban neighborhood of art and culture, not to mention beer, tacos, and an overall hip vibe. Fort Lauderdale, anyone?

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Good Deals: Properties in Flagler Village average \$290 per square foot, compared to \$380 in downtown

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Fort Lauderdale and \$300 in Victoria Park.

Broker to Know: Jaime Sturgis, sales director at Metro 1 Broward. <u>305-571-9991</u>, <u>isturgis@metro1.com</u>

In the Hood

Best Night Out: The former FATVillage Art Walk has merged with a neighboring art walk on Third Avenue to become the Flagler Village Art Walk, complete with a circulating trolley, on the last Saturday of each month from 7 to 11 pm.



MAC Fine Art gallery.

Where the Art Is: While you're stepping out for Art Walk, check out gallery MAC Fine Art (833 NE Fourth Ave., 954-990-5420) and artist Henning Haupt's studio (823 NE Fourth Ave.). Also stop in at The Guild 5 Forty Five (545 NW First Ave., 954-448-8816), as this creative and photography house opens its industrial-chic space during art walks to local artists, be they filmmakers, painters, or dancers.

Annual Bash: The Girl's Club is an alternative and contemporary art space that develops the careers of female artists and acts as a resource for others in the arts. The Girls' Club started the annual Art Fallout, Broward County's largest art walk, held every October. 117 NE Second St., 954-828-9151

Design and Architecture: Glavovic Studio, helmed by architect Margi Nothard (724 NE Third Ave., 954-524-5728), and landscape design firm Cadence (435 N. Andrews Ave., 954-766-4572) both often hold open houses during the monthly gallery night, with an exhibition specially curated for the art walks. Also check out GS Talks, an occasional speaker series at Glavovic Studio.



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Don't Miss: Food in Motion is a monthly nighttime farmers market taking place every second Friday of the month at Peter Feldman Park. Lots of food trucks show up, too. *310 NE Sixth St.*

Always Something to Do: A media company with a bit of extra space, <u>C&I Studios</u> hosts a range of community events, from movie nights to yoga, and even has a fully stocked bar. "People just didn't know where to go. Now they do," says founding Director Josh Miller. *541 NW First Ave.*, <u>954-357-3934</u>

Best Coffee: Brew Urban Cafe, Fort Lauderdale's answer to Panther Coffee, has two Village-adjacent locations, one in Victoria Park (638 N. Federal Hwy.) and the other at Next Door at C&I Studios. 537 NW First Ave., 954-357-3934

Vinyl: An old-fashioned record store, <u>Radio-Active Records</u> also has a Tumblr that's like a tour through album-art history. *845 N. Federal Hwy.*, <u>954-762-9488</u>

Best Beer Selection: Just across the railroad tracks, <u>Laser Wolf</u> has a broad selection of obscure beers, and is popular with locals stopping in after work. *901 Progresso Dr.*, #101, <u>954-667-9373</u>

Indie Music: Obscure bands cut their teeth at Jump the Shark, an independent music venue. *810 NE Fourth Ave.*, *954-667-4126*

Grub: Of the few actual restaurants in Flagler Village, <u>The Whole Enchilada</u> is one of the best. Check out its Taco Tuesdays specials. *745 N. Federal Hwy.*, *945-306-6218*

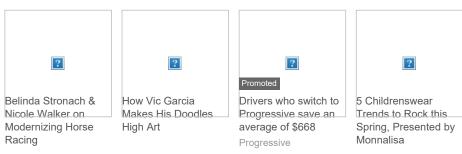
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