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ACROSS PALM BEACH COUNTY

BY SKYE SHERMAN

Center Stage

» Last fall, the **Maltz Jupiter Theatre** expanded its educational footprint with the opening of the **Roe Green Education Center**, an 8,500-square-foot facility that broadens opportunities for aspiring performers of all ages. Home to the Goldner Conservatory, the new center features a professional dance studio and collaborative learning spaces as well as a green-screen studio, audio recording booth, and library just steps from the theater's rehearsal halls and stages. Class offerings range from ballet, hip-hop, and musical theater to podcasting, film acting, and audio engineering, with need-based scholarships and programs for neurodivergent learners aiming to make the arts more accessible. The result is a year-round creative hub where students can learn, perform, and grow alongside working professionals. (jupitertheatre.org)



COURTESY OF MALTZ JUPITER THEATRE



THE MALTZ JUPITER THEATRE HAS OPENED THE ROE GREEN EDUCATION CENTER, HOME TO THE GOLDNER CONSERVATORY.



ART SUPPORT

» National arts nonprofit **YoungArts** and design school **Istituto Marangoni Miami (IMM)** have unveiled a new annual scholar-

ship supporting the next generation of fashion and design talent. The scholarship provides full tuition to an exceptional YoungArts artist to advance their education in fashion or interior design at IMM. The inaugural recipient is photographer **Christopher Barker**, a Palm Springs native and recent graduate of G-Star School of the Arts.

Selected by a panel of industry professionals, Barker was recognized for his imaginative blend of photography, digital art, and fascination with the cosmos. Working primarily with his phone, tripod, and editing apps like *Ibis Paint X* and *Prequel*, he creates striking self-portraits that explore themes of identity, self-worth, and aspiration.

The scholarship reflects the organizations' shared commitment to providing emerging artists the education, mentorship, and industry connections needed to build lasting careers in creative fields. (youngarts.org, immiami.edu)

LOYALTY PAYS

» Learning has its perks at **Lynn University**.

The Boca Raton institution recently introduced **Blue-print Rewards**, an innovative loyalty program that lets students earn scholarships and perks by participating in extra-curricular experiences like service projects, wellness programs, student leadership, community engagement, and more. By completing activities tied to career-readiness skills like collaboration, adaptability, and problem-solving, students can earn up to \$6,750 throughout their college career, plus rewards including campus-store discounts, funding toward a study tour in the United States or abroad, exclusive merch, and even a free graduate course. Students track their progress through an app, building a Student Engagement Transcript that showcases their accomplishments and can be shared with future employers. It's a modern take on student success that recognizes that some of life's most valuable lessons happen outside classroom walls. (lynn.edu)



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WEST PALM BEACH'S SKYLINE CLIMB IS IN HIGH GEAR

BY SKYE SHERMAN

A wave of waterfront towers is helping to transform West Palm Beach's North Flagler Drive into what some are calling "Billionaires' Corridor." But the luxury residential boom isn't confined to the waterfront, with projects like Nora House and Mr. C Residences illustrating the growing demand for amenity-rich urban living even west of the water.

"Over the past several years, we've made strategic investments in public safety, infrastructure, parks, mobility, and quality of life that have helped position West Palm Beach as one of the country's most desirable places to live," says West Palm Beach Mayor Keith A. James. "The interest we're seeing from world-class residential developers is a testament to that momentum and reinforces our vision of building a vibrant, thriving city for generations to come."

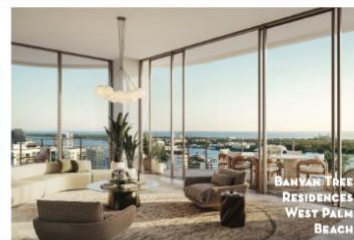
So why are ultra-high-net-worth buyers clamoring to spend up to \$50 million for condos in West Palm, the city originally meant to house those building higher-profile Palm Beach?

"They're getting the best of all worlds: a luxury, lock-and-leave lifestyle with resort-level amenities in a city that has emerged as a major financial and business hub," says Kendall Corso, director of luxury sales at Douglas Elliman and sales executive at Banyan Tree Residences West Palm Beach. "Palm Beach remains highly constrained, particularly when it comes to new construction, and building a custom home or undertaking a major renovation can take years. Instead, many buyers are looking just across the bridge and finding exceptional value, brand-new products, and a more effortless way to live."

Here, we present a snapshot of some of the developments redefining West Palm's waterfront and beyond.



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BANYAN TREE RESIDENCES WEST PALM BEACH

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WATERFRONT

Mandarin Oriental Residences, West Palm Beach

5400 N. Flagler Drive
Mandarin Oriental's first residential-only development in South Florida will bring 87 bespoke residences to a private shoreline. (mandarinorientalwestpalmbeach.com)

Alba Palm Beach

4714 N. Flagler Drive
Offering boutique waterfront living and luxe extras such as a spa and private dock. (albapalmbeach.com)

The Ritz-Carlton Residences, West Palm Beach

1745 N. Flagler Drive
The famed hotel brand's signature service and five-star amenities will soon grace the Intracoastal. (theresidenceswestpalmbeach.com)

Olara

1919 N. Flagler Drive
Only at Olara: a restaurant by chef José Andrés, a private marina, and 80,000 square feet of leisure amenities. (olarawestpalmbeach.com)

Shorecrest

1865 N. Flagler Drive
Interiors by Rottet Studio and a partnership with Equinox highlight this 98-key tower by Related Ross. (shorecrestwpb.com)

La Clara

1515 S. Flagler Drive
Indoor-outdoor lifestyles are de rigueur at this 25-story tower by Great Gulf with architect of record Stantec and Hariri Pontarini Architects. (laclarapalmbeach.com)

South Flagler House

1355 S. Flagler Drive
Designed by Robert A.M. Stern, these towers by Related Ross pair classically inspired architecture with private club-caliber amenities. (southflaglerhouse.com)

Forté on Flagler

1309 S. Flagler Drive
This 41-residence tower has private elevator entry, oversize terraces, and resort-style service. (fortewpb.com)

Maison d'Or

3705 S. Flagler Drive
Just 39 waterfront residences make up this boutique "House of Gold" across from Mar-a-Lago. (livemaisondor.com)

DOWNTOWN

Nora House

1105 N. Dixie Hwy.
"Live above it all" at the Nora District's first residential address. (norahouse.com)

One West Palm

550 N. Quadrille Blvd.
Jeff Greene's long-awaited two-tower complex features residences, class A offices, a hotel, restaurants, and retail.

Banyan Tree Residences West Palm Beach

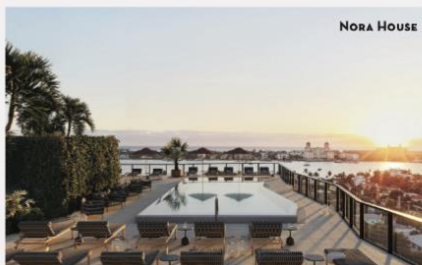
400 Hibiscus St.
The hospitality brand's first residential foray into the United States boasts 88 corner residences. (banyantreeresidenceswpb.com)

The Berkeley

550 S. Australian Ave.
Offering two- to five-bedroom residences overlooking Clear Lake. (theberkeleypalmbeach.com)

Mr. C Residences

320 Lakeview Ave.
The 27-story tower will sport branded residences, a hotel, a restaurant and café, and a rooftop members' lounge. (mrcresidenceswpb.com)



NORA HOUSE

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