

WHAT TO DO, WHERE TO GO

Upcoming events

■ **Lisa Williams** - "Lisa Williams: Life Among the Dead" comes to the **Barbara B. Mann Performing Arts Hall** on Wednesday, Sept. 24. As an internationally acclaimed medium and clairvoyant, Williams has an amazing ability to communicate with loved ones and friends who have passed on to the "other side." Born in England, she was discovered by Merv Griffin and has her own hit show "Lisa Williams, Life Among the Dead," which is going into its second season on Lifetime TV. In addition to appearing on "Good Morning America," "Oprah" and "The Jimmy Kimmel Show," Williams has just completed her first book published by Simon and Schuster. Although many of her readings are in front of large audiences, she also does personal readings and is a trained Reiki and Crystal Healer. Tickets are available at the box office, by calling (239) 481-4849 or online at www.bbmnpah.com. For groups of 20 or more, call Lois at (239) 489-3033, ext. 3122.



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■ **Blood, Sweat & Tears** - Tickets for Edison College's sixth annual **Edison POPS @ Sunset** concert, featuring the legendary jazz/rock band **Blood, Sweat & Tears**, are now on sale. Tickets can be purchased through the Edison POPS Web site, www.edisonpops.com. Tables of 10 are \$400, and reserved seats are \$40. Tables and reserved seats can be purchased online until Oct. 20. General admission tickets are \$20 and can be purchased online up to the day of the event. The sixth annual Edison POPS @ Sunset concert is scheduled the evening of Saturday, Oct. 25 on the grounds of Edison College, 8099 College Parkway in Fort Myers. Additional information is available through the Edison POPS Web site or by calling (239) 489-9085.

■ **Lakeside Bash** - Country music sensation **Sugarland** will headline the second annual "Sam Galloway Ford Lakeside Country Bash" at Lakes Park on Nov. 8. The Lakes Park Enrichment Foundation, Lee County Parks and Recreation and Gator Country 101.9 FM are planning the outdoor concert with international concert promoter AEG Live. Tickets for the concert are \$35 in advance and \$40 at the gate, with proceeds benefiting the Lakes Park Enrichment Foundation. Tickets are on sale at all Ticketmaster retail outlets and www.ticketmaster.com, or avoid ticket surcharges by purchasing at Gator Country, Lakes Park or Estero Community Center. For updates and additional information on the upcoming concert, listen to Gator Country 101.9 or visit www.lakesparkenrichmentfoundation.com

■ **Animal Magnetism** - Join

Arts for ACT Gallery, located at 2265 First Street in the River District, Fort Myers from 7-10 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 3 for "**Animal Magnetism**" by **Ken Hoffman** from Peoria, Ill. Hoffman, professor emeritus of art from Bradley University, has had his paintings exhibited in Paris, Germany, Poland, Australia, Ireland, and Argentina. He is currently represented by Walter Wickiser Gallery and Amos Eno Gallery, both in New York City. For the past 15 years, the anthropomorphic subject matter of his animal portrait paintings has been the central focus of his work; he strives to convey animal-people expressions, revealing to the viewer how close humans are to animals.

■ **The Glass Menagerie** - The Tennessee Williams' classic opens the season for the **Florida Repertory Theatre** Oct. 3-12. This tale is one of the most beloved and moving stories of the 20th century, and is Florida Rep's World Classic Initiative for 2008 as well as Lee County Library's One Book One Community. Set in a humble St. Louis apartment, it is the story of fading Southern gentility in the wake of Depression-era realities. Tickets are on sale through the box office, (239) 332-4488. Visit Florida Rep online at www.floridarep.org

■ **The Producers** - The Cypress

Lake High School Center for the Arts theater department is performing the hit musical "The Producers" Nov. 20-22.

■ **Art show - The Naples Art Association** will present the **Non-Juried All Artist Members Show of Shows** exhibition from Oct. 24 to Nov. 9. All NAA artist members as of July 1, 2008, are eligible to submit one piece. Works will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis determined by when registrations are received. Applications are due by 4 pm on Friday, Sept. 26, and must be accompanied by a completed entry form and a check for \$35. Artwork receiving is Oct. 18 and 19.


■ **Call for artists** - The new **daas Gallery** encourages all artists, local and international, to be part of this uniquely diminutive collection. A juried collective exhibition of small format pieces. Artists may submit their work by Friday, Nov. 14 for an opening on Friday, Dec. 5. Submission pieces can not to exceed 12 inches on any side. Each artist may submit up to two pieces. Veron Ennis, the curator of the Ferrari Gallery in Cape Coral, will jury this "tiny" collection. Entry forms are available at the gallery. The gallery is open from Tuesday to Friday from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. and Saturdays 10 - 3 p.m. Visit www.daasgallery.com for more information.

■ **Art Walk** - Eleven historic River Dis-

trict art galleries and venues have united to form **Art Walk**, a free downtown art celebration, on the first Friday of each month from 6 pm until 10 pm. beginning on Oct 3. Participating groups in the year-round event will include Art of the Olympians, Art League of Fort Myers, Arts for ACT Gallery and Boutique, Community Art Showcase in the Harborside Event Center, daas Gallery, Southwest Florida Museum of History, Howl Gallery, La Casa Del Arte Gallery, Sidney & Berne Davis Art Center, Space 39 Gallery, and Union Street Artist Company. Along with the art galleries, restaurants and other businesses will support the monthly trek. Opening receptions will be held at many of the galleries, along with refreshments and music. Friday Night Live, the popular weekly concert series in the Patio de Leon, will provide a musical interlude between 5 and 8 p.m. as art patrons wander from one art stop to the next.

■ **Best Little Whorehouse - Broadway Palm Dinner Theater** presents "**The Best Little Whorehouse in Texas**" beginning Thursday, Sept. 25 and running through Nov. 15. A sizzlin' good time is coming when Miss Mona and her "ladies" from the heart of Texas entertain politicians, cowboys and even a college football team after their victory. When her legendary house of ill-repute is ordered to be closed down by the governor, Miss Mona and her girls take on the establishment in this rip-roaring, high octane production! Includes the songs Hard Candy Christmas and The Aggie Song. Performances are Wednesday through Sunday with selected matinees. Dinner is at 5:30 p.m. and the evening shows begin at 7:30 p.m. for this production. For reservations and show information, visit www.BroadwayPalm.com, call (239) 278-4422 or stop by the box office at 1380 Colonial Blvd.

■ **Call for artists - The Alliance for the Arts** announced a call for artists for "**Too Hot to Handle: A Political Issues Show**" to be held Oct. 10-Nov. 15. The juried show is open to all artists in the categories of sculpture, painting (including oil, acrylic, collage, watercolor, and mixed media), photography, prints and drawings. Only original artwork will be accepted. An entry consists of one to three artworks. A non-refundable entry fee for members is \$25 for up to three entries or \$10 for one. For non-members, the fee is \$35 for up to three entries or \$15 for one. Work must be dropped off by Oct. 6 for consideration. The Alliance for the Arts is located at 10091 McGregor Blvd. Hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday. For a complete prospectus and entry form please visit www.artinlee.org or



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