



## **Tonight's The Night!**

### **MINDI ABAIR IS COMING TO TOWN**

Tonight, we are thrilled to be bringing Mindi Abair back to Punta Gorda for a jazzy night of holiday music at the Punta Gorda Event Center. Mindi - a crowd favorite of Punta Gorda - will also be featuring Vincent Ingala, Lindsey Webster and Adam Hawley in a fabulous line-up of jazz artists, all performing in Mindi's "I Can't Wait For Christmas" tour.

Tickets can still be purchased online via Ticketmaster (fees apply) or by calling the Event Center directly during operating hours on 941.833.5442. We heartily thank Gettel of Charlotte County and the Punta Gorda/Englewood Beach Convention and Visitors Bureau for their support, allowing us to bring a show of this caliber to our city.

We can think of no better way of getting into the Holiday Spirit than this event. Mindi Abair is a true fan of this area and has long wanted to bring her holiday tour here – and finally it is happening. Hope to see you there tonight!

### **HOLIDAY BUSINESS OVER BREAKFAST**

Tomorrow is one of our favorite events of the year – our Holiday Business over Breakfast at the PGI Civic Association on Shreve Street, Punta Gorda, hosted by Gator Wilderness Camp School. Not only are they cooking, but they are also going to "sing for their supper," so to speak, to get us all in the Holiday mood. Want to join us? Simply call 941.639.3720 before 1 pm today to register.

### **ANOTHER POP-UP EVENT THIS FRIDAY**

Last week, we hosted a Pop-UP event for two businesses whose building was destroyed in Hurricane Ian, making their Holiday sales' plans sketchy, at best. It was such a great day that we will be welcoming **HipNotique, Waterside Wreaths & Gifts** and **Eggstra Special** – eggshell art at it's finest - to sell their wares in our office from 10 am to 4 pm on Friday, December 16 at 252 West Marion Avenue, Punta Gorda. Cash and credit cards are accepted. Stop by and shop! Thank you as well for your continuance of support of local businesses this holiday season.

## **GARDENS AGLOW**

Another great holiday event is Gardens Aglow at the Peace River Botanical & Sculpture Gardens on Riverside Drive. Each year this event gets bigger and brighter with thousands of lights and special activities over the course of 12 nights of celebration, including a walking tour amongst twinkling and animated light displays, snowmaking machines with selfie photo spots, visits from the Big Man and Mrs. Claus, hot chocolate, Smores and so much more. Gardens Aglow continues operate December 11-14 and 18-21 from 6-9 pm. Tickets may be purchased in advance from [www.peacerivergardens.org](http://www.peacerivergardens.org)

We continue to send out emails to our database group, alerting them with valuable information about resources, progress and which businesses are open for business. If you want to be added to receive this list, please send your email address to [chamber@puntagorda-chamber.com](mailto:chamber@puntagorda-chamber.com) and you'll be added. If your business is a Chamber Member (or not), we'll add your details to the list free of charge! Our offices are open 9-4. We'll also be happy to direct you to additional assistance that we are aware of that is being offered to our community residents and businesses.

Together we are one great community.

This Season, please remember to support our local business community, who are indeed the backbone of our area. They need

your patronage more than ever right now, so please **KEEP IT LOCAL.**

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