

The Great American Beach Party: Saturday, May 24th



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I just love the month of May in the City of Fort Lauderdale! Not only does it mean we are approaching summer, but it also is the time of year that the City of Fort Lauderdale hosts one of its most recognized events of the year-The Great American Beach Party.

This year, we kick off the summer on Memorial Day weekend at the Great American Beach Party on Saturday, May 24th from 11 AM to 6:30 PM at Las



Olas Oceanside Park. The Great American Beach Party is a tradition in the City of Fort Lauderdale where we celebrate with family and friends as a portion of Fort Lauderdale's world-famous

beach transforms into an entertainment mecca.

This family-friendly features live bands, water slides, a kid's zone, a classic car show, an art show, a sand sculpting contest, a military tribute, vendors, exhibitors, and so much more. Another very special component of this event is the Walk of Fame Induction ceremony. The Fort Lauderdale Walk of Fame is located on the beach along the east side of AIA at Las Olas Blvd.

Established in 2010, the Walk of Fame Committee has named 49 honorees, all of whose contributions have helped shape Fort Lauderdale into the vibrant destination it is today. The Fort Lauderdale Walk of Fame's first inductee was Connie Francis, renowned for her starring role in the 1960 film *Where the Boys Are*, filmed right here in Fort Lauderdale. I encourage everyone to come out and celebrate as we welcome in the summer season.

This year's honors include:

Kathleen Cannon, LCSW

President/CEO United Way of Broward County
A devoted Social Worker dedicated to championing opportunity for all and ensuring every voice is heard and every person is valued.



Robert Bekoff

Waterway Transportation Pioneer Innovator of water transit, bringing Fort Lauderdale's canals to life.

Richard Gray

LGBTQ+ Champion. Trailblazer. Advocate. Pioneer of LGBTQ+ and accessible travel, elevating Fort Lauderdale on the global stage.

Paul M. Sallarulo

Community Leader and Philanthropic Force Champion of philanthropy and leadership, shaping Fort Lauderdale through decades of service and generosity.

Next up, the 4th of July Extravaganza held in the same location in beautiful District 2, but I don't want to get too far ahead of myself-this year is going quick enough! See you in May!

