



## Florida on Wheels

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The Last Days of Summer

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Annual Report



# Letter From the CEO

## The Last Days of Summer--Looking Forward to Fall

Like everyone else in South Florida, I am happy when I know that the long very hot days of summer will soon be coming to an end. As I write this article for the fall newsletter, we are preparing the property for a possible hurricane (Erika). Even though we are days out from possible landfall, it takes all of those days to prepare the Museum. Bonnet House is blessed with a number of volunteers and dedicated staff members who are helping us get ready.

One of the reasons I look forward to cooler weather is because it is the time of year when Bonnet House shines its brightest. The very popular Cruising Down the River continues with a November cruise down the New River. Our birding classes continue in November with Ascend to Better Birding. Orchid growing enthusiasts can learn about basics, repotting, mounting, disease and pest control on Saturdays throughout the fall and winter. Another wonderful event is our Orchid, Garden & Gourmet Food Festival on Saturday December 5th and Sunday December 6th. This year will mark our 9th Annual Orchid & Exotic Plant Sale which also includes orchid displays, orchid care lectures, gourmet food trucks, cooking demos, a green market & more.

So come join us at Bonnet House this fall. In addition to regular offering of tours, there's a lot more to love when the weather gets cooler at Bonnet House. For a complete list of events see Page 15.

*Karen Beard*

Karen Beard, CEO



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Above photos: Courtyard and Veranda preparations for hurricane season

# Development News

## Florida Division of Cultural Affairs Funds Bonnet House



The Florida Division of Cultural Affairs has awarded Bonnet House a grant of \$69,122 for the 2015-2016 fiscal year that began July 1st. The grant award will help support public tours of Bonnet House and its curatorial needs. Last year (2014-15), the legislature fully funded the cultural organization grants program for the first time in many, many years yielding a grant to Bonnet House of \$150,000. As a result of the decrease in funding, Bonnet House will pursue a less ambitious marketing program this year. Still the \$69,122 grant is incredibly important for Bonnet House. Please take a moment to contact your state representative and senator and offer your thanks for the support the legislature showed for arts and culture in Florida. Just let them know how much you appreciate the state funding for the Division of Cultural affairs grant programs and how much it will help Bonnet House this year.

## Buy a Friend a Membership



Reading this newsletter means you are in all likelihood a member of Bonnet House. That means you have made a personal commitment to aid in its preservation. You can help Bonnet House even further by purchasing a membership for a family member or friend who appreciates the arts and understands the importance of historic preservation. Your generosity will allow even more people to learn about Bonnet House and its rich history. With the holidays right around the corner a Bonnet House membership could be the perfect gift too. Memberships can be purchased through the Bonnet House website, on site at the Welcome Center, South Gate, and Museum Shop, or by calling 954-703-2603.

## Year End Brings Time for Financial Review

The stock market has seen some volatility this fall. Oil prices are low and uncertainties in China seem to be impacting markets here at home. If you are considering making a year-end gift to Bonnet House, maybe



a gift of stock would be something to consider? By making a gift of stock you can avoid capital gains taxes on any appreciation, and the full value of the stock may be eligible for a charitable deduction. For deduction on your 2015 tax return, December 31st is the deadline for making your contribution. Stock transfers to Bonnet House may be made electronically and are easily accomplished. Check with your financial advisor to see if a gift of stock makes sense.

Finally, take the next few weeks to review your estate plans and consider whether Bonnet House might be included as a beneficiary. If you haven't made a will, do so. It's a certain way of determining who receives your assets. For most people it's a simple process, and adding Bonnet House as a beneficiary takes only a few words. For more information about year-end giving, stock transfers and bequests, contact Patrick Shavloske at 954-703-2603.

## 20th Young Artist Music Series VIP Seats Available

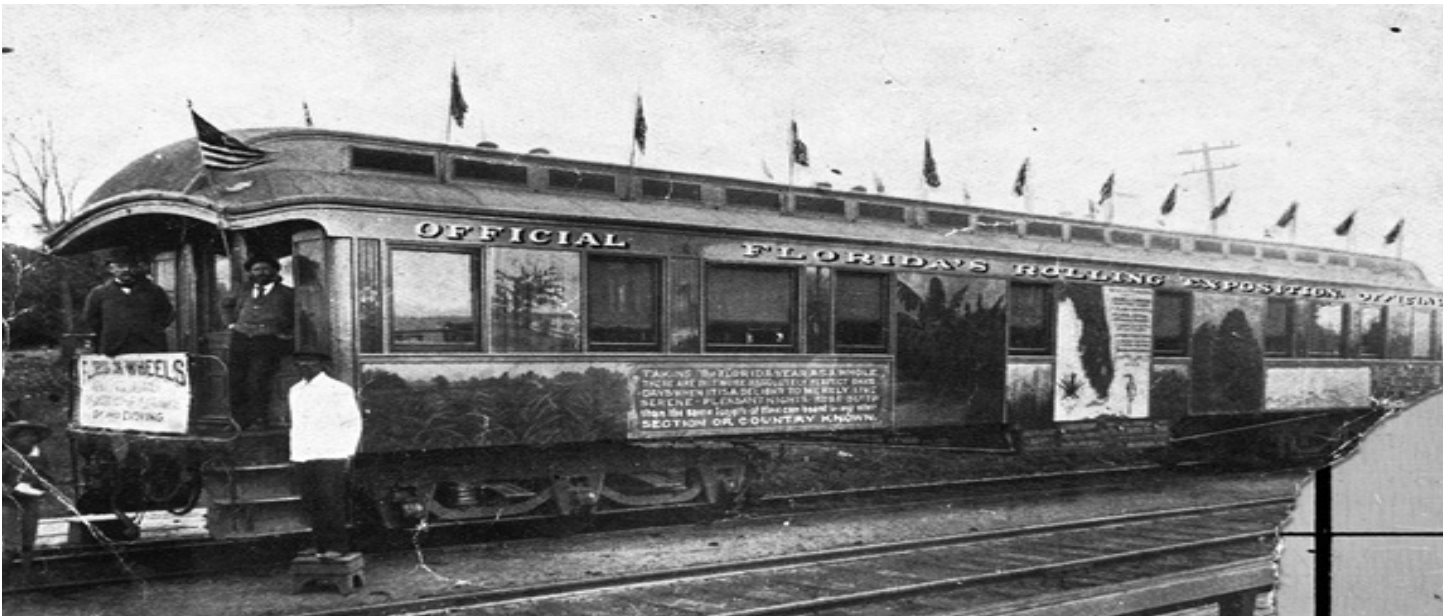
Thursday, January 21, 2016 will mark the debut of the 20th annual Young Artist Music Series at Bonnet House with a performance by Lynn University String Quartet. Subsequent concerts will be on February 11th, March 10th and April 7th. This is a real milestone for this program that has become such a tradition at Bonnet House. Why not join in the tradition with VIP seats? It's more affordable than you might think. For information on Music Series sponsorship contact Patrick Shavloske at 954-703-2603 or [patrickshavloske@bonnethouse.org](mailto:patrickshavloske@bonnethouse.org).





# Florida on Wheels

by Denyse Cunningham



Florida's Rolling exposition – railroad car Florida on Wheels. Image courtesy of the State Archives of Florida, Florida Memory.

Tycoon industrialist Henry Morrison Flagler owned the Florida East Coast Railway (FEC). To induce him to build it the government had given Flagler land along the proposed route of the line. The Florida East Coast Land Company, which according to the 1893-94 Chicago City Directory was located on the floor below Hugh Taylor Birch's law firm Galt & Birch, was formed by Flagler to sell land to prospective settlers. He made money both from the sale of this land and from the buyers who became customers of his railroad, using it to transport goods to and from northern markets. Flagler also built extravagant hotels to lure tourists who would use his railway to escape the chilly northern climates.

Flagler put James Ingraham in charge of Florida land sales. The archives of the Henry Morrison Flagler Museum in Palm Beach hold correspondence between Ingraham and Hugh Taylor Birch.

In 1896 when the first FEC train arrived in Fort Lauderdale there were no more than 50 farmers living in present day Broward County.

Florida was being advertised as an exceptional place to live where agricultural pursuits could be conducted year-round. To help attract permanent residents to South Florida Flagler formed the Travelers' Information Company whose job it was to promote

his businesses in 13 northern cities. The company created Florida on Wheels, painted railcars converted into a rolling exposition. The cars toured the nation from 1880 to 1900 presenting alluring photographs and facts about the state. They were made of woods from Florida and contained produce typically grown here. Florida on Wheels made a special appearance at Chicago's 1893 world's fair.

Glowing advertisements for the Flagler venture appeared in northern newspapers, bulletins and magazines such as *The Homeseeker*. Agricultural successes, the inexpensiveness of land and the perfect climate were also touted in South Florida newspapers, the [Juno] *Tropical Sun*, the *Miami Metropolis* and the *Miami News*.



The first FEC train to arrive in Fort Lauderdale was built by the Schenectady Locomotive Works in 1892.

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## July 2014 - June 2015

### GIFTS OF CASH OR STOCK & ACTIVE PLEDGES

#### **\$100,000 or more**

Broward County Cultural Division  
Florida Division of Cultural Affairs  
William L. Fortune and Joseph D. Blakley

#### **\$50,000 to \$99,999**

Anonymous  
Richard H. Fortune  
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#### **\$25,000 to \$49,999**

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#### **\$10,000 to \$24,999**

Jane Fortune and Robert Hesse  
Peter and Joan Fortune  
Helen Ingham Foundation  
Elisabeth Bartlett Sturges  
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#### **\$5,000 to \$9,999**

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The Haller Foundation  
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Leo B. Goodwin Foundation  
Diana and Ralph Rau  
Barbara and Fred Steinhardt  
SB Architects  
The Stimpson Co.  
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Patrick Shavloske and Mark Gerberding

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Joyce Tolman  
Melanie and Mark Tooley  
Alfred Torres  
Cindy Treece  
C.L. and Cheryl Turner  
Tramble Turner  
Randy Turner  
Tanya Tweeton  
William H. Tyre  
Catherine Ustall  
Joan Van Ness and Lorraine Michels  
Maureen Vaughan  
Olga Veysman  
Valerie Viglione  
Don Viny and Bob Cooper

Peeranut Visetsuth  
Thomas Vokes and Robert Hamilton  
Valerie Vopinek and Thomas Ruane  
Mr. Harry Vordermeier  
Theresa Voynik  
Didgie Vrana  
Carolyn VunKannon  
Raines and Claudia Waedlich  
Wayne Waldeck and Lee Rector  
John Walden  
Isabel Walden  
John Wallis and Robert Stanek  
Sherry Walters  
Thomas Warner  
Catherine Warriner  
Katherine Wasconis  
Patricia Watson  
Karen Webb  
Barbara S. Wells  
Leslie Wells Ramin  
Sandra Welsh  
Bonnie and Bill Wettlaufer  
Carol and Harold Wheeler  
Nancy C. Wheeler  
Clay Wieland  
Mary Wilcox  
Douglas Williams  
William H. Williams  
Richard and Diane Wilner  
Greg and Diana Wilson  
R.W. Wilson  
Laraine Wilson  
Emmy Wilson  
Elaine Wittwer  
Mischellie Wood  
Petur Workman  
David and Jewell Wray  
Keyu Yan and Darrin Wilson  
Art and Linda Yengling  
Betty Young  
Rachel Zeltwanger  
Angela Zoss  
Joan Zuckerman  
Hanna Zukoski  
Frank Zurek and Larry Scott

### HONORARY AND MEMORIAL GIFTS

#### In Memory of Corliss S. Bennett

Georgia Elfman  
Judith H. Maus  
Kent Planck and Tony Pastucci

#### In Memory of Raymond Colbert

Anne F. Brooks

#### In Memory of Walter Gaugler

Sheila Barry  
Anne F. Brooks  
Randolph Mayweather  
Linda Schaller  
Susan Taylor

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**In Memory of Joseph Helms**  
Linda Schaller

**In Memory of Charles Henness**  
Betty Douglas

**In Memory of Mary Louise Hines**  
Linda Schaller

**In Memory of Joseph J. Lalli**  
De Sales Class of '61  
Bill and Darlene DeVaney  
Cynthia and James Eden  
Qing Ji  
Jeanne Lalli  
Alice LeBrun  
David Litty  
Susan Lochrie  
Ralph and Diana Rau  
SB Architects  
Bonnie and Stan Schweiger  
Masahiro Taguchi  
Betty Tarantelli  
Elaine Wittwer

**In Memory of Bill Low**  
Anne F. Brooks

**In Memory of Ted MacDonald**  
Anne F. Brooks  
Paul Palombi  
Linda Schaller  
Susan Taylor

**In Memory of Aurdrey W. Olson**  
Betty Douglas

**In Memory of Lupita Perez**  
Anne F. Brooks

**In Honor of Ralph and Diana Rau**  
Maria and Mario Spinaci

**In Memory of Jean Rowe Spencer**  
Maria and Mario Spinaci

**In Honor of Jac Venza**  
Eileen Mitchell

### GIFTS OF GOODS AND SERVICES

**\$20,000 or More**  
A. Alexander Events

**\$10,000 to \$19,999**  
Fowler White Boggs, P.A.

**\$5,000 to \$9,999**  
Tripp Scott

**\$2,500 to \$4,999**  
EDSA  
Seminole Hard Rock Hotel & Casino

**\$1,000 to \$2,499**  
Historic Downtowner LLC  
Kelly's Landing New England Seafood  
Mike Osceola and Brian Hill  
Donna Sorensen  
Victoria Park Flower Studio  
Don Viny

**\$500 to \$999**  
Marsha Schloesser  
Southport Raw Bar & Restaurant  
Virginia Vyfvinkel

**\$250 to \$499**  
ConservArt  
Georgia Elfman  
Karen Eskesen  
Eleanor Smith

**\$100 to \$249**  
Sandra Granson  
Vicki Kantner  
Platinum Tents

**\$1 to \$99**  
Broward Orchid Supply, Inc.  
Dianne Ennis  
James Lawson  
Chevaune Morris  
Linda Schaller  
Larry "Peanuts" Wick

We strive to keep our records as accurate as possible. Please contact the development office at (954) 703-2603 with any questions about how your gift is listed. You may also send an email to: [patrickshavloske@bonnethouse.org](mailto:patrickshavloske@bonnethouse.org).

#### Mission

Bonnet House Museum & Gardens stewards the legacy of the Bartlett and Birch families by preserving their historic estate and providing programming that nurtures creative expression, delights the senses, educates, and honors the natural environment.



## Conservation Corner

By Denyse Cunningham

### New Giclées!



The two artists of our Haitian paintings, Sully Obin (market scene-above) and Edouard Jean (cotton picking scene), are well known members of the "Cap-Haitian" school of painting. Refined linear elements, meticulous paint handling and a subject matter that encompasses both daily life and the area's rich history characterize the painting style of Cap-Haitian artists.

Katie Barr, former president of the Haitian Collection, a well-known gallery that was once located in Delray Beach, visited Bonnet House to see the paintings. She said they were "...both excellent examples of the Cap-Haitian School of painting."

The paintings were both given to Mrs. Bartlett by her son-in-law, Whitey Lutz sometime after 1953.

The original paintings have shown the wear and tear of being outside in the harsh maritime environment which is Bonnet House. To preserve the originals they were placed in climate controlled locked storage. The Haitian Loggia did not look right without them. Through the generous gift of L. (Peanuts) Wick giclée copies were made of the originals.

Giclée (pronounced "jeeclay")

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## Conservation Corner (Cont'd)

is a method of printmaking and is the latest technological advancement in the world of fine art printing. Fine art giclée prints are high resolution dye prints which are the recognized standard for digital printing. The color, detail and tonal quality of these prints make them almost identical to the original.



Originally designed for paper, now widely used on canvas, a giclée, if stored in a dark space, will last for a long time.

First a high resolution digital image is made with a digital camera or flatbed scanner. Special lighting is used to capture the smallest detail and insure fidelity to the original. The image is then color corrected to mimic the original as closely as possible. It is then printed and stretched on to a frame or mounted on a ridged sub-straight, then framed.

Peanuts was so happy with the results of the Haitian painting giclées he agreed to also fund creating giclées of the 25 original ceiling panels which Mr. Bartlett painted for the Bartletts' property in Davie, Nymphanglade. The Boca Raton conservation establishment ConservArt mounted the canvases and framed them. All 25 of the reproductions of Frederic Bartlett's paintings that have hung in the courtyard since 1996 were sold in the Museum Shop generating much needed revenue during this slow time of year.

The giclées were created by Joseph Charles of Joseph Charles Fine Art in North Palm Beach.

### New "Old" Refrigerator

Bonnet House Museum & Gardens is now the proud possessor of a new "old" General Electric refrigerator in the Pantry! The old one was not in our period of significance (1930s & 1940s) and was rusty and unsightly; it didn't even work! A historically accurate replacement was found at the thrift store, Starting Over Enterprises, Inc. a non-profit organization that "helps the homeless help themselves" by training them in carpentry skills.

Bonnet House volunteer Tanya Tweeton partially funded the purchase of the vintage refrigerator.



James Ozment, Bonnet House Maintenance Worker, restored the old unit to its former glory.

Home refrigerators were rare in the early days. When Bonnet House was built in 1920 only about 20,000 mechanical refrigerators were in the United States and the old fashion ice boxes significantly out sold them.

A large wooden ice box currently resides in the Cadillac Garage. Frederic Bartlett's family hardware firm Hibbard Spencer and Bartlett's 1922 products catalog only lists ice boxes for sale. The 1929 catalog lists units that are "Suitable for Either Ice or Mechanical Refrigeration." The Bonnet House wooden ice box is larger than all the other boxes illustrated in both catalogs. These catalogs are preserved in the Bonnet House archives and were given to the museum by Frederic Clay Bartlett's grandson Eric Bartlett Wentworth.

Our new refrigerator model dates from the 1930s. Its style replaced that of the "Monitor-Top" refrigerators that General Electric introduced in the late 1920s. These types of models got their name from the hatbox shaped ring that covered the compressor assembly which was thought to resemble the gun turret on the Civil War iron-clad warship the *USS Monitor*. The flat-topped model replaced the monitor-top in 1933.

## Bonnet House Volunteers

By Linda Schaller



Each year I have been asked to write an article for our newsletter about volunteering at Bonnet House; this year is no exception. Our attendance for tours is ever increasing along with requests for group tours, education programs, special events and weddings. Needless to say Bonnet House NEEDS YOU!!!

We have a diverse group of volunteers: Retired doctors, nurses, lawyers, accountants, federal government employees, engineers, teachers, master gardeners...well, I could go on and on. The one thing all of these people have in common is their love for Bonnet House.

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## Bonnet House Volunteers (Cont'd)

This summer has been extremely hot and humid – each day volunteers come over to work on the grounds, work with the orchids, guide, greet, courtyard coordinate, help in the offices, help in the museum shop and tell our story on the nature trail tours. These summer volunteers are terrific! They sweat and get rained upon, but they have a smile for each visitor.

Here are some of their stories--I will let the volunteers speak for themselves:

Rita - I was by the lake on the north side of the bridge when I saw five turtles having a meeting. Not kidding. They were in a circle, all facing toward one another, their heads nodding and wagging (solemnly as befitted the occasion, I thought). Feeling in my pocket for my phone, I started to move quietly toward them when PFST! They sensed me. As one, they disappeared instantly into the water. If there are skeptics about this, I am prepared to take an oath on it. (Always something new to see!)



Don Vinny as Ponce de Leon

Don - On a tour with 4th graders, I was handing out reward tickets for good questions and answers. In the Drawing Room when we got to the exit door I mentioned Evelyn's love for her dogs, but before I could point to the dog bowl by the desk, one of the students asked if he could have 10 points for knowing her dog's name. I was speechless. I said we did know some of the names, but I didn't know how anyone could know them until we got to her paintings later in the tour. The boy insisted he knew the dog's name, but wouldn't give it up for less than 10 points. I agreed and he blurted "PURINA! It's on the dog's bowl!" He got his 10 points. (Kids say the darndest things!)

Christopher - Already I feel like a welcomed member of the BH family and really find my time spent with

you all highly rewarding. The staff especially regularly demonstrate their appreciation for the volunteer force.

John - Thanks to the memory of Ted MacDonald who brought me in and taught me "the tour." (Each volunteer leaves a special legacy; when we lose one it affects us all.)

Nancy - I enjoy the camaraderie with other Bonnet House volunteers and staff, and the quiet, peaceful 35 acres is instant therapy from the crazy world!



Barbara Davis

Barbara - I love being at BH every week. I have volunteered at various other organizations in Broward County. The culture at BH is by far the most welcoming in my experience. It is a happy place to be.

Linda - Volunteering at Bonnet House is helping me to adapt to living here in South Florida. I've greatly appreciated the friendliness of the BH staff and veteran guides as I work through this process. Learning the Bonnet House story has introduced me to aspects of South Florida history that I would not have otherwise known.

Eileen - It's a pleasure to show such a delightful house to students and help set them on a lifelong path of enjoying visiting historical houses and museums.

Dan - Bonnet House has been a wonderful place to lend my efforts. A truly special place filled with wonderful things and exceptional people.

Keith - It's a pleasure to be part of such a well-organized operation supporting a genuine attraction.

Tanya - As we say in Wisconsin, a little bit of sanity at Bonnet House in the midst of Fort Lauderdale life!

Your time and talent are always appreciated. Volunteers are needed to share the Bonnet House story. Please contact [lindaschaller@bonnethouse.org](mailto:lindaschaller@bonnethouse.org) or 954-703-2606.





# *The Lily Pad*

*Newsletter of the Bonnet House Alliance*

## A Note From the Alliance President



Welcome once again Bonnet House Alliance Members! Please join us for our Welcome Back Luncheon including an exciting program on Fort Lauderdale history on Monday, October 19th at 11:30am at the fabulous SEA WATCH Restaurant. Our Guest speaker will be Patsy West, local history author and 5th generation resident who has published numerous books on the relationship between Fort Lauderdale's early settlers and the Seminole Indians.

Roar into the fall season at our second annual SPEAKEASY SOIREE II on Wednesday, November 4th from 6:00-9:00 pm on the Veranda. Dress up in your best vintage attire for an evening of Gatsby Style fun! Cocktails, hors d'oeuvres, live music and costume contest and dancing under the moonlight reminiscent of the era of fine socials hosted by the Bartletts' themselves.

This year we will introduce a MOTORCOACH EXCURSION on Wednesday, November 11th from 9:30am to 2:30pm. Save-the-date as we have several options for this educational field trip and appreciate membership input as to which destination to select.

Catch up with all our snow birds and get into the holiday spirit at our HOLIDAY CELEBRATION PARTY

at Lauderdale Yacht Club on Tuesday, December 8th at 11:30am. Open to all members, their guests and volunteers. Three course luncheon \$40 per person.

Calling all designers for our Entirely Entertaining Designers info social on Tuesday, January 5, 2016 from 4-6pm on the Veranda. Details and information for our most spectacular fundraiser will be presented.

The Alliance proudly presents our 21st annual ENTIRELY ENTERTAINING XXI on Monday, February 22, 2016 from 11am to 2pm. This sell-out signature luncheon honors Evelyn Bartlett's passion for an exquisite table with local artists and designers showcasing tablescapes that range from the whimsical to most elegant in this one of a kind event. Advance reservations are required as seating is limited. \$120-\$160 per person.

As volunteers at Bonnet House you have many choices to utilize your talents. We need your enthusiasm, help and support to ensure continued success at our beautiful and truly unique Bonnet House.

Please check our calendar for additional luncheons and events. I sincerely look forward to working with each of you in our Alliance family and welcome your ideas, efforts and contributions. We have a fantastic new board and committees this year and know you will enjoy your participation with our team.

Kindest regards,  
Susan Howell-Gundlach

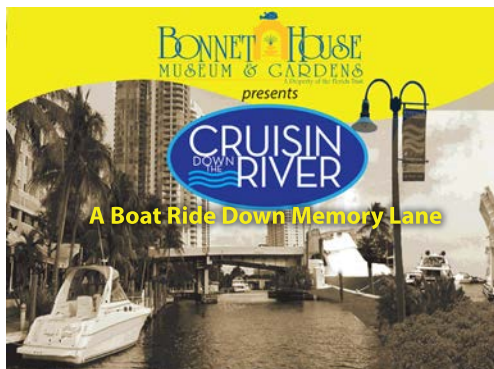
## Alliance Calendar October - December 2015

October 19	11:30am	General Membership Meeting	Sea Watch Restaurant
November 4	6-9pm	Roaring Twenties Soiree Fundraiser	On the Veranda
November 11	9:30am	Motorcoach Excursion	TBD
December 8	11:30am	Holiday Charity Luncheon	Lauderdale Yacht Club

# News

## Cruisin' Down the River by Marlene Schotanus

What do you do on a rainy, miserable day in Fort Lauderdale? How about a Bonnet House boat tour?



Yes, we were worried about the weather; however, it was short lived. Between the hospitality of the Carrie B crew, help from the

Bonnet House volunteers, the donation of wine and snacks by Kelly's Landing and Stephen Draft's introduction of Historic Dreamers & Schemers from Fort Lauderdale's past, the weather was not an issue.

Do not miss the boat for our next tour on November 14, 2015. Historian and author Susan Gillis presents "A Boat Ride Down Memory Lane."

Visit [bonnethouse.org](http://bonnethouse.org) or call (954) 653 -1555 to reserve your space on the next cruise.

## We Do! by Nicholle Maudlin

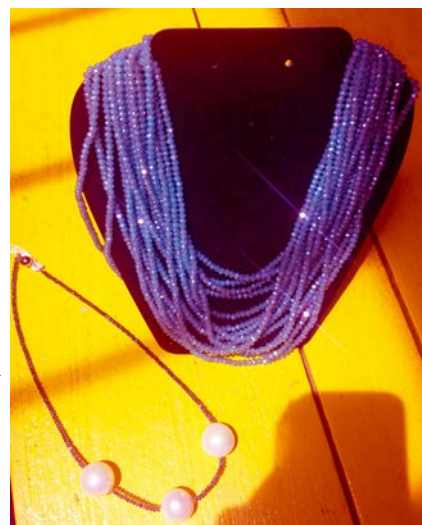


Now that it's legal for everyone to get married in the state of Florida, Bonnet House Museum & Gardens wants to extend

a special invitation to our LGBT members to consider saying "We Do" at the estate. Bonnet House provides a beautiful, exclusive setting for ceremonies and receptions, along with use of the property for photography, host/hostess service and private use of the upstairs air-conditioned changing room. One-hour ceremony rates start at only \$500 and four-hour receptions start at \$5,200. We hope you will consider letting Bonnet House, our staff and volunteers be part of your wedding plans!! For more information, please contact Nicholle Maudlin, Event Manager at [nichollemaudlin@bonnethouse.org](mailto:nichollemaudlin@bonnethouse.org) or 954.703.2608.

## The Little Gift Shop by Dianne Ennis

We might be little but we are big on pleasing our customers. With the upcoming holidays upon us, we are the go-to location for all your gift needs. We feature Charles Albert, a worldwide jewelry designer and manufacturer who creates high-quality artisan pieces to amaze our customers. His collection is



meticulously handcrafted and hallmarked, thus ensuring each piece's authenticity. We also carry other well-known jewelry designers featuring gold, sterling silver, and crystals. For organic lovers, we present Organic Tagua Jewelry. We have something for everyone. Our gifts and household items are unique and will please everyone on your holiday list. Thanks to our Bonnet House Fine Artists you can own prints of their masterpieces featuring various areas of Bonnet House, our famous monkeys, our beautiful orchids, and don't forget the swans. We have the perfect stocking stuffers from French soaps, beautiful ladies scarfs, books that capture the history of Fort Lauderdale to seashore shells. Children's motion books are a big hit with grandmothers. We are small but carry a good variety of inventory that delights everyone.



Don't forget there is a 20% discount for our volunteers and members during the month of November, just in time for the holidays. A great gift is a Bonnet House membership; it is the gift that

keeps giving all year long. For your convenience, tickets for Concerts Under-the-Stars, Impressions, Cruising Down the River, Garden & Gourmet Food Festival also the many classes and workshops featured at Bonnet House are sold at the Museum Shop. We look forward to seeing you and helping you find that perfect gift. Pick up a Museum Shop Pass at the Welcome Center or South Gate and you are on your way to a fun shopping experience.



# Calendar of Events

## Let's Go Birding



### **BIRDING CLASSES**

2:00 pm - 5:00 pm

November 8, 2015

*HAWKS GALORE*

January 10

*ASCEND TO BETTER  
BIRDING*

March 6

*BIRDING BY EAR &  
HABITAT*

Register online at  
[bonnethouse.org](http://bonnethouse.org)

### **WATERCOLOR WORK- SHOPS**

January 6 - February 10

9:30am - 12:30 pm or

1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

February 24 - March 30

9:30am - 12:30 pm or

1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

*ORCHID WATERCOLOR  
PAINTING*

January 22 & 23

9:00 am - 3:00 pm

### **ACRYLIC WORKSHOPS**

January 7 - February 11

9:30am - 12:30 pm or

1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

February 25 - March 31

9:30am - 12:30 pm or

1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

## River Cruise



### **CRUISING DOWN THE RIVER**

November 14, 2015 &

March 26, 2016

5:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Purchase tickets at  
[bonnethouse.org](http://bonnethouse.org)

### **ZENTANGLE WORK- SHOPS**

January 12 - 26

12:30 am - 2:30 pm

February 9 - 23

12:30 am - 2:30 pm

March 8 - 22

12:30 am - 2:30 pm

### **CALLIGRAPHY WORK- SHOPS**

January 12 - February 9

9:30 am - 11:30 am

March 3 - 29

9:30 am - 11:30 am

### **ORCHID CLASSES**

February 6, 13, 20 & 27

10:00 am - 12:00 pm

### **FLORA & FAUNA CLASSES**

Sunday, April 3 & May 1

2:00 pm - 5:00 pm

### **PASTEL WORKSHOP**

April 7 & 8

10:00 am - 4:00 pm

## Orchid Festival



### **ORCHID, GARDEN & GOURMET FOOD FESTI- VAL**

December 5 & 6, 2015

9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Purchase tickets at  
[bonnethouse.org](http://bonnethouse.org)

### **LECTURE SERIES**

January 11, February 8 &

March 14

10:00 am

### **A BONNET HOUSE FINE ARTIST EXHIBIT**

January 14, 6:00 pm

### **CONCERTS UNDER THE STARS**

January 21, February 11,

March 10 & April 7

7:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Young Artist Music Series

### **ENTIRELY ENTERTAIN- ING**

February 22

11:00 am - 2:00 pm

### **IMPRESSIONS: A JURIED ART EXHIBIT**

March 3

6:00 pm

Please visit us online at  
[bonnethouse.org](http://bonnethouse.org) for more in-  
formation and a detailed  
calendar of events.



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# BONNET HOUSE Orchid, Garden & Gourmet Food Festival

Saturday and Sunday  
December 5 and 6  
9:00am – 4:00pm



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