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Downtown Clearwater CRA

Hello Friend,

Happy New Year!

As we prepare to enter 2023 please take a look back on all the ways we celebrated this holiday season in Downtown Clearwater. Thank you for making downtown part of your holiday memories and we look forward to even more excitement in the new year.

The fun keeps coming in January with pirates, tournaments, bounce houses, food trucks, markets and more things to do and experience in Downtown Clearwater. Continue scrolling down to learn more and see our January events calendar.



Watch Downtown Clearwater's Holiday Extravaganza 2022 highlights and memories.



Throughout downtown over 70 business windows were painted with colorful and festive displays for the holiday Season. Pictured above are the windows from Tequila's Mexican Grill & Cantina at 422 Cleveland Street wishing you a Happy New Year.

In case you missed it...

On Saturday, December 17 the [Clearwater Home for the Holidays Paws-on-Parade](#) took over Cleveland Street with pets of all sizes decked out in their finest holiday attire to benefit the [Humane Society of Pinellas](#). Check out these cute and fluffy memories captured during our 2nd annual downtown parade.

Thank you again to our event sponsors: Clearwater Downtown Development Board, Clearwater Community Redevelopment Agency, the City of Clearwater, and [Tiny Paws](#).







It's not too late to send Holiday Greetings from Downtown Clearwater

[Niki Butcher Exhibit](#) | Clearwater Public Library

Visit the exhibit [Daydreaming: Niki Butcher's Hand-Painted Photography](#) on display now at the Clearwater Public Library Main Branch. After you experience the exhibit make sure to fill out a "Greetings for Downtown Clearwater" postcard featuring the festive and colorful Florida inspired Christmas artwork of Niki Butcher.

This postcard and shipping from our bright and colorful mailbox is free. Fill out your holiday postcard while supplies last and add a smile to someone's mailbox.

January

- Jan 8 - [Peace Concert Series](#)
 - Jan 14 - [The Market Marie](#)
 - Jan 21 - [Hard2Guard Sports Festival](#)
 - Jan 21 - [Downtown Clearwater Public Art Walk](#)
 - Jan 26 - [Food Truck Thursdays](#)
 - Jan 28 - [Pirates on Parade Clearwater Invasion](#)
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Hard2Guard Sports Festival

[Saturday, January 21](#) from 9:00 am – 6:00 pm
Cleveland Street and Garden Avenue

Free, family fun sports festival featuring youth basketball tournament, bounce houses, face painting, DJ, prizes, giveaways, and more.

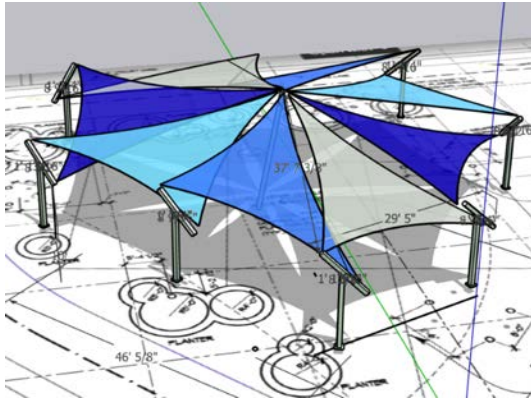


Pirates on Parade Clearwater Invasion

[Saturday, January 28](#) from 1:00 – 5:00 pm

Cleveland Street from Osceola Avenue to East Avenue

Come by land or sea in your best pirate outfit to party like a pirate at this fun, spirited, and free family friendly block party on Cleveland Street featuring live music, dancing, food and drink specials, and games. Plus pirate themed kid zone with bounce houses, face painting and more.



Cleveland Streetscape Phase III

Community Meeting

You are invited to our next Quarterly Community Information Meeting to learn more about the Cleveland Streetscape Phase III and Festival Core project.

Tuesday, January 24 at 6:00 pm

Nature's Food Patch

1225 Cleveland Street

Construction Update

The majority of utility work has been completed and the final phases of this project will move quickly. Cleveland Street will soon move into Phase 3 of construction. By the end of January, a detour will be set up on Gulf to Bay Boulevard to allow for faster and safer installation of the new driving lanes.

Construction plans are being finalized for the new public plaza space at the intersection of Cleveland Street and Gulf to Bay Blvd known as the Mercado. We anticipate the Mercado and streetscape construction will be completed in June 2023.

For the latest construction updates, please visit:

myclearwater.com/streetscape



CLEVELAND ST. Blues ON THE BLOCK
CLEARWATER, FL
LINEUP

FRIDAY, FEB. 24
Music starts at 5 p.m., so you can get your weekend started with an evening of blues in beautiful downtown.

TBD
Selwyn Birchwood
Annika Chambers & Paul DesLauriers

SATURDAY, FEB. 25
On Saturday, Feb. 25, stroll through downtown to shop from local vendors and listen to music beginning at 3 p.m.

Shaw Davis & The Black Ties
Altered Five Blues Band
Maggie Rose
Josh Hoyer & Soul Colossal

Clearwater Blues on the Block

[Cleveland Street Blues on the Block](#), a spinoff event of the Clearwater Sea-Blues Festival, will be taking on Cleveland Street at Garden Avenue on February 24-25. Get ready to enjoy live music from national blues recording artists, dine at the finest of culinary experiences from downtown restaurateurs, sip craft beer and wine from local brewers, shop market vendors and so much more.

The Clearwater Sea-Blues Festival will make a grand return to a newly renovated waterfront park and music venue after the completion of Imagine Clearwater construction in July 2023.



Peace Memorial Concert Series

[Sunday, January 8](#) at 3:00 pm
Peace Memorial Church, 110 S
Fort Harrison Avenue

The wonderful singers of the Tampa Spiritual Ensemble present great arrangements of traditional African-American Spirituals and celebrate compositions by the best of historic and contemporary black composers.



Public Art Walk



The Market Marie

Saturday, January 14 from 10:00 am
– 2:00 pm
Cleveland Street and Garden
Avenue

[The Market Marie](#) is the second Saturday of each month featuring a mix of over 100 local vendors.



Food Truck Thursdays

[January 26](#) from 11:30 am – 2:00 pm
Station Square Park

On select Thursdays enjoy live DJ,

[Clearwater Arts Alliance](#) presents Public Art Walk on the third Saturday of each month, pick from two tour times at 10:30 am or 4:00 pm.



Downtown Gateway Business and Neighbors Association

The [second Monday](#) of each month. Mix and mingle at 5:30 pm followed by the meeting from 6:00 – 7:00 pm at Hacienda Corralejo, 1230 Cleveland Street.

fun games, and different featured food trucks each month.



The Capitol Theatre

The Nancy and David Bilheimer Capitol Theatre has a wide variety of performances to choose from.

[Click Here](#) to learn more about upcoming shows and events.

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