

May 2023

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Downtown Clearwater CRA

Hello Friend,

This month check out new art exhibits, dance salsa all night long, and savor a taste from everywhere. Check out our Top 3 things to do this May in Downtown Clearwater!

## #1 - ART

**ART EXHIBIT GRAND OPENING**  
**Friday, May 12 | 6:30 - 8:30 pm**  
 100 N Osceola Avenue | Downtown Clearwater | Free Admission




**CUBA**  
 The Natural Beauty  
 The Photographic Expeditions of  
**Clyde Butcher**

**El Arte**  
 Echoes of Cuba

Meet the artists from  
*El Arte: Echoes of Cuba*

**Exhibit Featuring:**

- A. Galban
- Alex Espalter-Torres
- Ben Cardoso
- Bill Cadzow
- Chase Parker
- Eldo Alvarez
- Ginny B. Otto
- Ileana Prosper Holman
- Jenny Carey
- Jorge Dans
- José Rodeiro
- Lynn Rattray
- Maykel Vargas
- Patricia Kluwe Derderian
- Pedro Hernandez
- Rey Rojas
- Teresita Hightower
- Yamira Castellano
- Yusel Quesada

Salsa by  
*Orquesta INFINIDAD*

Hors d'oeuvres | Wine | Alegría

Celebrate two new art exhibits that celebrate the beauty and inspiration of Cuba featuring:

### **CUBA: The Natural Beauty - The Photographic Expeditions of Clyde Butcher**

- Experience the natural beauty of Clyde Butcher through his iconic black and white monumental photographs.

### **El Arte: Echoes of Cuba**

- Experience Cuba as inspired by 19 local Tampa Bay artists.

At the [Clearwater Public Library](#) Main Branch at [100 N Osceola Avenue](#) in Downtown Clearwater. Free Admission.

Join us for a special grand opening evening reception where you will have the opportunity to meet several of the local Tampa Bay artists featured in *El Arte: Echoes of Cuba*.

Enjoy live salsa music from Orquesta INFINIDAD. Savor a taste of food from downtown Clearwater's Hispania Restaurant, enjoy sangria and refreshments during a festive, family-friendly night for the arts.

### **[Grand Opening](#)**

**Friday, May 12 from 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm**

Save the date for Wednesday, August 16th as legendary photographer Clyde Butcher will be making his return to Clearwater. Meet and learn about his expeditions throughout Cuba capturing iconic photographs. Clyde's visit will include a book signing at the Clearwater Public Library and a special evening lecture at The Nancy and David Bilheimer Capitol Theatre. Additional details coming soon.

### **Clyde Butcher Lecture and Book Signing Event**

**Wednesday, August 16**

[Click Here](#) to learn more about these new art exhibits on display through October 31, 2023.

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## **#2 - DANCE**



Hit the streets for this unique block party with music and dancing under the stars at Salsa de Mayo at The District. Enjoy free entrance, parking, lessons, and entertainment!

### [Salsa de Mayo at The District](#)

**Saturday, May 6 from 6:00 pm - 11:00 pm**

Cleveland Street and Garden Avenue

Live Music by: Innovation and Rumberos de Tampa

DJ Lineup: DJ Mike Sensation, DJ Walter Soto, DJ Speedy Jr, DJ James Allard, and DJ Roe

Live Performances by: Samba Conmigo, Salsa Xtreme, Jessica Quiles, and FREE SALSA the one and only Kelia Soto Villaneuva

Brought to you by Florida Best Promotions Inc., Agentes de Accidentes, Clearwater Downtown Development Board, and City of Clearwater.

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## **#3 - TASTE**





# TASTE OF ETHNICITY

MAY 20, 2023 • 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

- LIVE MUSIC
- ART
- CULTURAL PERFORMANCES
- FOOD
- FUN FOR ALL

FREE ADMISSION & PARKING

[MyClearwater.com/LivingtheCulture](https://myclearwater.com/LivingtheCulture)

600 BLOCK CLEVELAND ST. • DOWNTOWN CLEARWATER

The city of Clearwater is launching an events series called “[Living the Culture](#)” which will celebrate the beauty of cultural diversity and promote the value of embracing living together in harmony.

### [Taste of Ethnicity](#)

**Saturday, May 20 from 11:00 am - 6:00 pm**

Cleveland Street and Garden Avenue

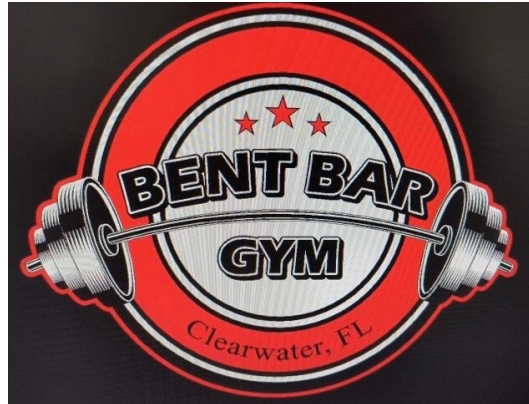
The first event in the Living the Culture series, “[Taste of Ethnicity](#),” will be held to commemorate World Diversity Day. This inaugural free culture festival will celebrate the vast array of cultures and heritages represented in Clearwater through art, food, and performances, and to bring awareness, education and family fun to Downtown Clearwater.

## Downtown May Events

- May 6 - Salsa de Mayo
- May 12 - Art Exhibits Grand Opening
- May 13 - The Market Marie
- May 20 - Living the Culture: Taste of Ethnicity
- May 20 - Public Art Walk



## NOW OPEN



### [Bent Bar Gym](#)

701 Cleveland Street, Clearwater, FL



### [Ahilly's Ice Cream](#)

1464 Gulf to Bay Blvd, Clearwater, FL

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## COACHMAN PARK UPDATES



The new shade structures are being installed in [Coachman Park](#) today. Fourteen in total will be installed, with most of them located around the splash pad and playground areas.

Only 58 Days left until opening day!

## COMING IN JUNE



### CLEARWATER CELEBRATES PRIDE KICK-OFF

June 1, 10 a.m. to noon



- LIGHT REFRESHMENTS
- PHOTO BOOTH
- CHALK ART
- GIVEAWAYS

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Municipal Services Building  
100 S. Myrtle Ave.



### CLEARWATER CELEBRATES PRIDE GLOW PARTY

June 3, 10 p.m. to midnight

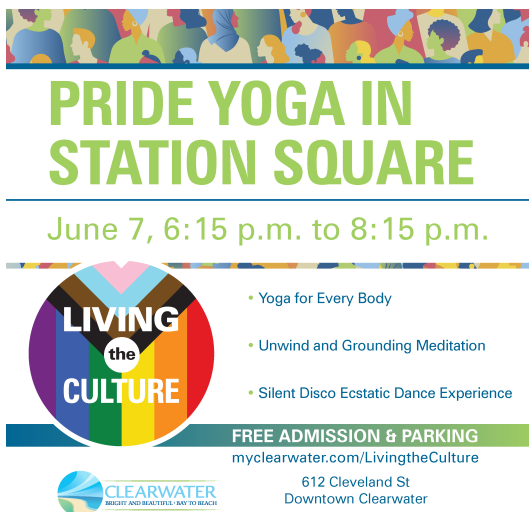


- DJ/DANCING
- PHOTO BOOTH
- GLOW ACTIVITIES

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400 Block Cleveland St.  
Downtown Clearwater



## PRIDE YOGA IN STATION SQUARE


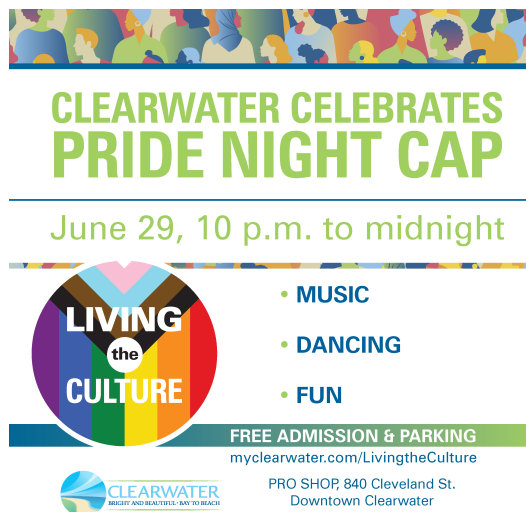
June 7, 6:15 p.m. to 8:15 p.m.



- Yoga for Every Body
- Unwind and Grounding Meditation
- Silent Disco Ecstatic Dance Experience


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## CLEARWATER CELEBRATES PRIDE NIGHT CAP


June 29, 10 p.m. to midnight



- MUSIC
- DANCING
- FUN

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PRO SHOP, 840 Cleveland St.  
Downtown Clearwater




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## JUNE 15-18



- Painting with a Purpose Party
- Fashion Show & Dance
- Movie Night
- The Gospel Experience
- Business Expo

SCAN HERE FOR ALL THE DETAILS

MyClearwater.com/LivingtheCulture



North Greenwood Neighborhood & Downtown Clearwater



This June celebrate LGBTQ+ PRIDE Month and Juneteenth with special programming for everyone.

More information at: [myclearwater.com/livingtheculture](https://myclearwater.com/livingtheculture)

## More Downtown and Community Info



## The Market Marie

[Saturday, May 13](#) | 10:00 am - 2:00 pm | Cleveland Street and Garden Avenue

The second Saturday of each month featuring a mix of 100+ local businesses.



## Downtown Gateway Business and Neighbors Association

Monday, May 8 | Hacienda Corralejo, 1230 Cleveland Street

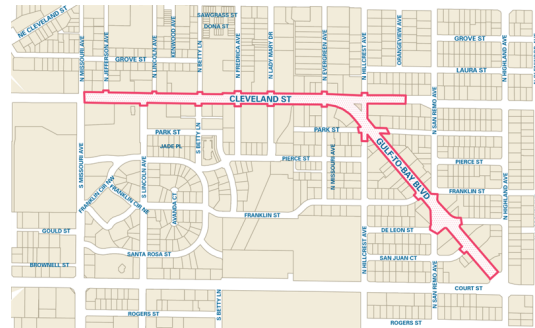
The [second Monday](#) of each month.



## Public Art Walk

[Saturday, May 20](#) | 10:30 am or 4:00 pm

Clearwater Arts Alliance presents Public Art Walk on the third Saturday of each month.



## Businesses Remain Open during Construction

[Cleveland Streetscape Phase III](#) and Mercado construction continues in the Downtown Gateway neighborhood and as we get closer to project completion this summer we remind you that all businesses remain open during construction.

Mix and mingle at 5:30 pm followed  
by the meeting from 6:00 – 7:00 pm.

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