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## Welcome 2024!

From our "heARTS" to yours, we hope you enjoyed the holiday season surrounded by loved ones.

Ringing in the music and all that we celebrate, arts and culture reminds us of the importance of sharing and respecting our histories among our diverse populations. We hope you take in a performance, an exhibition, or stop by your local historical museum during the new year. It's food for the soul.

The Flagler County Cultural Council is eager to bring exciting new ideas to you in 2024! We appreciate all you do for the arts in our community, as our strength comes from you.

We look forward to a successful and productive year serving you, our guiding light.

Nancy Crouch and Jay Scherr Co-Chairs, Flagler County Cultural Council



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#### History

Flagler Beach Historical Museum Flagler County Historical Society Florida Agricultural Museum Palm Coast Historical Society



### It's Time to Renew!

The Flagler County Cultural Council is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization serving the community's art, culture, and history organizations.

Annual memberships ensure your organization or business is top of mind when Flagler County Cultural Council promotes our community near and far. Even as an individual member, your support helps grow our vibrant arts, culture and history for all to enjoy.

As a member you'll receive a limited edition "**Turtle Trail**" collectible challenge coin. A new coin is issued each fall, so don't miss your chance to collect them all!

Please visit **www.FlaglerArtsAndCulture.org** today to renew your membership or become a member!

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These children of the 1930s and 40s grew up to become the voting adults of the 1970s when both the Marine Mammal Protection Act and the Endangered Species Act were passed.

## 2024 Starts Out 'Historic'

Starting off the new year with a look at Marineland: Past, Present, Future with Terran McGinnis, the **Palm Coast Historical Society** welcomes the community for their free, monthly Speaker Series.

This month's PCHS Speaker Series is set for January 6, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. at the Palm Coast Community Center.

For more information on upcoming speakers, visit www.palmcoasthistory.org.

## COMING SOON

Want a tour of the county's history in style?

Keep your eye out for the upcoming **Flagler County Historical Society's**History Tours
Bus!





The History Shuttle has been making regular runs!

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African-American Cultural Society, Inc. presents the Smithsonian Traveling Exhibit







AACS will host the Smithsonian traveling exhibition iPleibol! November 26, 2023 - February 25, 2024 in its Cultural Center and Museum Founders Gallery.

For nearly a century, baseball has been a crucial social and cultural force in Latino communities across the United States. And, for just as long, LatinX players have had a huge impact on the game. ¡Pleibol! examines how generations of Latinos/as have helped make the game what it is today. From youth and community teams to the Major League, the exhibition reveals how baseball brings people together regardless of race, class, or gender. These inspirational baseball stories reflect larger themes in American history that connect us all, on and off the diamond.

"Baseball is America's Pastime. When looking at its history in our modern day, it is difficult to imagine the racism and hate, which will always remain implanted in the roots of the game. From the Negro Leagues of 1920, to the racism surrounding Roberto Clemente, Hispanic players, and other racial minorities, the struggles of the past will never be forgotten. Although its history was filled with periods of adversity, the current inclusive state that baseball currently presents is truly remarkable." Zaslau, Darren Brett, "Race, Ethnicity and the Legacy of Baseball in the Americas" (2017). Honors Papers. 794.

Reviewing the history of the game and highlighting the positive trends toward racial inclusion overtime will be the focus of the local community exhibition that will accompany the Smithsonian exhibit. The community exhibition is entitled "The Tradition of Baseball in America: Flagler County Unites Around the Game ". The local exhibition will provide an opportunity to highlight the Negro Leagues, the Dominican's ties to the game, other ethnicities who have embraced the game, as well as the local Flagler communities' love of the game. AACS has invited the Hispanic American Cultural Society and Flagler Babe Ruth Baseball, the county's founding baseball league as well as the varsity teams and students of Matanzas and Flagler Palm Coast High Schools to participate in the development of the local exhibition.

Support for AACS as the host for the exhibition comes from the Smithsonian, the Flagler Tourism Development Council, the Cities of Bunnell and Palm Coast, Florida Arts and Culture, the Hispanic American Cultural Society and the African American Entrepreneurs Association.

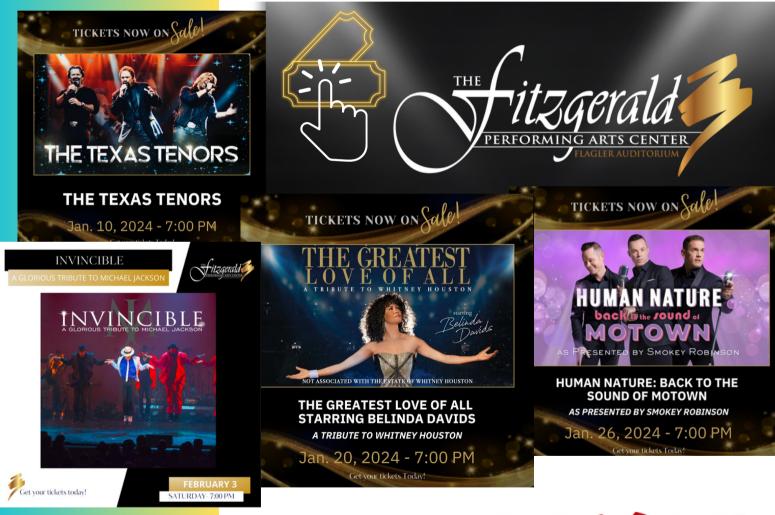
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# **NEWS & NOTES**

**From the Stage** 

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## Lights, Camera, Action at <u>The Fitz</u>



The holidays may be over but it's not too late to pick up tickets for the season's hottest trio of theater shows at **City Repertory Theatre** or the powerhouse lineup of national touring shows at **The Fitzgerald Performing Arts Center**!



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**Roles:** Joan Alice's mother, suspected of being a witch...Vinegar Tom's owner Susan Friend to Alice subject of abuse, 20-something Alice Joan's daughter, 20something **Goody** An accuser and witchhunter Betty A sickly woman fearful of being branded a witch Margery Main accuser of Joan Ellen A "cunning woman", perhaps a healer with potions and charms Jack Margery's husband Man, Doctor, Bellringer, **Packer** (chief witchfinder)

Seeking -Seven female actors ages 18 - 65; Three male actors ages 25 - 60; 4 - 7 singers of any gender (do not necessarily need to act)

### Are You Looking for Adventure?

<u>City Repertory Theatre</u> will hold auditions for its upcoming production of "Vinegar Tom" – a play by Caryll Churchill with original music by Benjamin Beck – on Sunday, January 7 from 2 – 4 pm and Monday, January 8, from 6:30 – 8 pm.
Auditions will be held at the theater, 160 Cypress Point Parkway, Suite B207, Palm Coast, FL 32164.

The play focuses on Alice, who with her mother Joan, is accused of witchcraft by their neighbors, Jack and Margery, who have experienced a series of misfortunes. Rather than accept God's ill-favour towards them, they begin to interpret the unfortunate developments as evidence of witchcraft and imply that Vinegar Tom, Joan's cat, may have been behind it all. The narrative becomes a tale of 17th-century England when accusations of witchcraft were used as a means to shift the blame towards nonconforming women in order to calm social unrest.

"Vinegar Tom" was written at the height of the second feminist movement in the 20th Century by Churchill, a highly influential feminist writer. Though the story is set in the 17th century, all of the songs are set in the present.

> For more information contact John Sbordone, Artistic Director, 386–264–1448

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Friday January 5 at 6:00pm and Monday January 8 at 6:30pm

at The Flagler Playhouse, Annex Building, for our upcoming play "The Prime of Miss Jean Brodie"



# PIME of USA

#### **CHARACTERS NEEDED:**

FEMALE Jean Brodie - 40 - 45 Sister Helena - 30 - 50 Miss Mackay - 40 - 50 Miss Campbell - 20 - 35

#### MALE:

Mr. Perry 40 Plus Gordon Lowther 35 - 45 Teddy Lloyd 35 - 45 McCready Gardener 20 Plus

#### **STUDENTS - All 14 - 18**

Sandy Jenny Monica Mary MacGregor 2 to 3 Extra students, Guides, Town's people

## The Show Must Go On

### The Prime of Miss Jean Brodie

**Audition Dates**: Friday, January 5th at 6:00 PM and Monday, January 8th at 6:00 PM. Additional audition date on Tuesday, January 9th at 6:00 p.m. for high school students only (This additional date accommodates all our high school thespians returning from their NYC trip!)

**Location: <u>Flagler Playhouse</u>**, Annex Building, 301 E Moody Blvd, Bunnell, FL 32110

**Director Les Ober** invites you to transport back to 1931–1936 Edinburgh, Scotland, at a private girls' school. Explore captivating characters and be part of this theatrical journey!

#### Show Dates:

Thursday, March 21 at 7:30 PM Friday, March 22 at 7:30 PM Saturday, March 23 at 2:00 PM and 7:30 PM Pirate Theater at Matanzas High School, 3535 Pirate Nation Way

Don't miss your chance to shine on stage! Be there for auditions and let the drama unfold!

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### Go, See, Do This Winter

THE GARDEN CLUB AT PALM COAST, Inc. will celebrate Florida Arbor Day with a tree-planting ceremony at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, January 19, 2024 at City Hall (Lakefront at Town Center). This event will kick off a year-long celebration of the Florida Federation of Garden Clubs 100th anniversary. All garden clubs in Florida will take part by planting a tree on this same date and time.

The Flagler Woman's Club invites you to join us in our Guns & Hoses Chili Challenge between our Fire Responders on Saturday, January 27 at noon in Veterans Park in Flagler Beach. For \$10 you will get to sample all the various chilies and vote on which one you think is the best in the Fan Favorite contest (voting ends at 1:30 pm). A blind tasting by judges will pick the Judges Choice chili. Judges Choice and Fan Favorites winners get a trophy and bragging rights.

There will be music, bake sale, and raffles. Fun for all ages!! It will be a great opportunity to meet our First

Responders and show our support. Any active or retired first responder wanting to enter their chili in the event should call Mary Louk at 386–569–7813. For more information call Mary or Kathi 908–839–8862.

#### The Flagler Woman's Club Invites you to join us for the Guns & Hoses Chili Challenge



The Ultimate Battle of the Heroes

Saturday, January 27, starting at noon at Veterans Park in Flagler Beach. Your \$10 donation allows you to sample the various chilies and vote for your favorite chili, while meeting and supporting our First Responders. Voting ends at 1:30 pm.

Fun for all ages!!! Music, Raffles, Bake Sale!! Come out, bring a chair, games,and join in on an afternoon of fun.

For more information call Mary at 386-569-7813 or Kathi at 908-839-8862

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JANUARY at The Pottery Studio Salt and Pepper Shakers, Utensil Jar, and Napkin or Tea Bag Holder Saturdays Jan. 6, 13, 20, 27; 11:00–1:00 \$145.

Try the Wheel Choose one twohour session: Monday Jan. 8,15 or 22 from 2:00-4:00 or 10:00-12:00 \$55.

Final meeting will reveal finished fired work and include a group discussion of the results before taking your pieces home. Class fees include everything: expert instruction, materials and firings. All experience levels welcome!

SIGN UP TODAY: Sign up in person with Don Davis, Audrey Scherr, or one of our friendly interns (Mannie or Cici) or text Don at 386–241–2815

On Monday, January 22nd at 5:30pm **The Pink Turtle Gift Shop** will host a ceramic plate paint class led by Tracy. You will paint 4 ceramic plates with a flamingo theme. Customize them how you want! Please go to the website for more details. Class is \$50 and all supplies will be provided. There are 2 ways to sign up for the class: 1. Go to thepinkturtlegiftshoppe.com to register/prepay 2. Come to the store prior to the class date to register/prepay If you are unable to do either of the above and want to attend, please call the store at 386–338–3008.

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## NEWS & NOTES Opportunities



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RAL COUNCIL

Exciting News! The Penguin Project is set to take flight once again! 🔿

marent Informational Meetings:

Join us on Tuesday, January 16th, and Thursday, January 18th at 6:00 p.m. at Bunnell Elementary School cafeteria (305 E. Palmetto Street, Bunnell, FL 32110). No need to attend both meetings!

🆄 New Home, Same Spirit:

This year, due to the unforeseen fire making our theater unusable at this time, Bunnell Elementary School will be our creative nest for the Penguin Project. Despite the changes, the magic and joy of our Penguin Project will be as vibrant as ever!

What is The Penguin Project?

It's a musical theater performance where youth with disabilities take center stage, supported by their amazing peer mentors. Penguin Artists and Mentors, aged middle school through 25, are the heart of our production. (Veteran Penguins from last year are welcome too!)

🚀 Soaring to New Heights:

After the success of our first Penguin Project production of Annie, Jr., get ready to witness our Penguins shine once more in the enchanting world of Peter Pan Jr. Rehearsals kick off in February, happening two to three times a week, leading up to our dazzling performance in June 2024.

🧏 Join the Penguin Family:

Calling all returning Penguins, and a warm welcome to new Artists and Mentors! Be part of a magical journey where everyone is a star. Let's create memories, laughter, and pure theatrical joy together.





Visit **www.FlaglerPlayhouse.org** for details!

The Flagler County Cultural Council (FC3) is dedicated to building unity among member organizations, engaging in advocacy and education in support of the arts and humanities, while enriching the lives of Flagler County's residents and visitors.



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